



**CITY OF BLOOMINGTON UTILITIES
RESIDENTIAL STORMWATER GRANTS 2024
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)**

Q Who is eligible for a Residential Stormwater Grant?

A Those living within the municipal boundary of the City of Bloomington in owner-occupied homes and that pay the City of Bloomington's stormwater fee. To see if you live within the City of Bloomington's municipal boundary, check myBloomington, bloomington.in.gov/mybloomington

Q What is the timeline for Residential Stormwater Grants 2024?

A The timeline for Residential Stormwater Grants 2024 is as follows:

- Confer The sooner the better!
- Application Deadline Sunday, September 1, 2024, 5 p.m.
- Grants Awarded Fall 2024

Q When is the best time to start working on your Residential Stormwater Grant plan?

A The sooner you start the better!

Q What is the typical range of a Residential Stormwater Grant?

A \$2,000 - \$7,000 (depending on project and number of properties involved)

Q What types of projects are eligible for a Residential Stormwater Grant?

A Raingardens, bioswales, culverts, stormwater pond maintenance, and more, including combinations, thereof.

Q Is it best to work with neighbors?

A Yes! Working with your contiguous neighbors is encouraged. Choose only one person as the main contact for correspondence but do list all others involved – names and addresses – on the application.

Q How many quotes should I get from contractors?

A We suggest you get at least three quotes and choose/submit only one.

Q What about related regulations?

A Be mindful of regulations in relation to property lines, permits, easements, rights-of-way, alleys, environmentally-sensitive areas, and so on as you and your Contractor are responsible for taking them into account (you may need a professional survey done; if so, the grant, if awarded, will cover the costs).

Q How should I furnish a sketch?

A A sketch will be required and include the following items:

- Geographical direction (North at the top)
- Scale (as close as possible)
- Legend (map symbols key)
- Direction of stormwater flow (arrows)
- Placement of features and materials (as well as labeling of them)
- To get a general idea of where your property lines are, visit Elevate, monroein.elevatemaps.io

Q How will projects be selected?

A Projects will be selected through a review committee including the Utilities Service Board.

Q: How does the Review Committee review/score grant proposals?

A The Review Committee evaluates proposals based on equity, community benefit, environmental impact, feasibility, and history of drainage issues in the area.

Q How will the project be funded?

A Fully or partially.

Q Does the grant pay for any taxes (sales tax)

A No. CBU is tax-exempt. Therefore, tax should not appear on the invoice for the project (see also the RSG 2024 Contractors FAQ for more information on payment).

Q What is the grant agreement?

A The Grant Agreement is a legal document which you will sign if awarded a grant.

Q How much time does the grantee have to finish the project?

A One year from the signing of the grant agreement (and the project can be inspected up to five years after that).

Q Is more education available?

A Yes! Please visit. "Stormwater Resources for Homeowners webpage, 2. Site Visits and Resources", <https://bloomington.in.gov/utilities/stormwater/grants>

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