

# A Federal Network! Explore agencies & agency programs that influence urban and community forestry.

## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA)

- Smart Growth Program (Office of Sustainability)**  
Awards grants to improve quality development such as flood recovery and greening vacant properties.
- Greening America's Capitals (Office of Sustainability)**  
Part of the EPA's smart growth program, focuses on helping state capitals incorporate green infrastructure strategies.
- Our Town (EPA/HUD/DOT)**  
Awards creative placemaking grants to encourage more creative activity, foster community identity, and revitalize economic development.
- Urban Waters Restoration Grant Program (EPA - Water)**  
Awards federal, state, tribal, and local grants to encourage communities to participate in improving local water health.
- Healthy Watersheds Initiative (EPA - Water)**  
Assesses and manages state and local governments to avoid water quality impairment for the future.
- Green Infrastructure Initiative (EPA - Water)**  
Awards grants to improve quality development such as flood recovery and greening vacant properties.
- Community Grants Program (Office of Env. Justice)**  
Awards grants for education, training, and outreach related to environmental and public health solutions.
- State Environmental Cooperative Agreement (Office of Env. Justice)**  
Works with communities to improve public health and environmental issues.
- Chesapeake Bay Program (EPA - Mid-Atlantic)**  
Collaboration to direct the restoration and protection of the Chesapeake Bay.
- PestWise (Office of Pesticide Programs)**  
Promotes environmental stewardship through information exchange, education, and assistance.
- Integrated Climate & Land Use Scenarios (Global Change Impacts)**  
Develops scenarios that are used to develop projections of future climate change.
- EnviroAtlas**  
Provides interactive tools and resources that allow users to explore the benefits of nature.

## DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR (DOI)

- Land & Water Conservation Fund (National Parks)**  
Awards grants to states and local governments for public outdoor recreation areas and facilities.
- Conservation Study Institute (National Parks)**  
Offers conservation assistance programs to connect citizens to the outdoors in 50 largest urban areas.
- Rivers, Trails, & Conservation Assistance Programs (National Parks)**  
Aids communities in designing trails, improving access, and creating recreational opportunities.
- Landscape Conservation Cooperatives (Fish & Wildlife)**  
Provides science and technical assistance and promotes collaboration among members in defining shared goals.
- Coastal Program (Fish & Wildlife Services)**  
Identifies most important natural coastal resources, influences planning and decision making.
- Endangered Species (Fish & Wildlife Services)**  
Conserves imperiled species by fostering partnerships, employing scientific research, and developing a workforce of conservation leaders.
- State and Tribal Wildlife Grant Program (Ntl Wildlife Federation)**  
Assists states with conservation of at-risk fish and wildlife.
- America's Great Outdoors (multiple)**  
Supports conservation employment and mentoring opportunities.
- Nature Play Corps (Ntl Wildlife Federation)**  
Restores a relationship with nature by engaging youth as play leaders to design, construct and manage at natural play areas.
- U.S. Geological Survey**  
Provides impartial information on the health of our ecosystem, natural hazards, and impacts of climate change.

## CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL & PREVENTION (CDC)

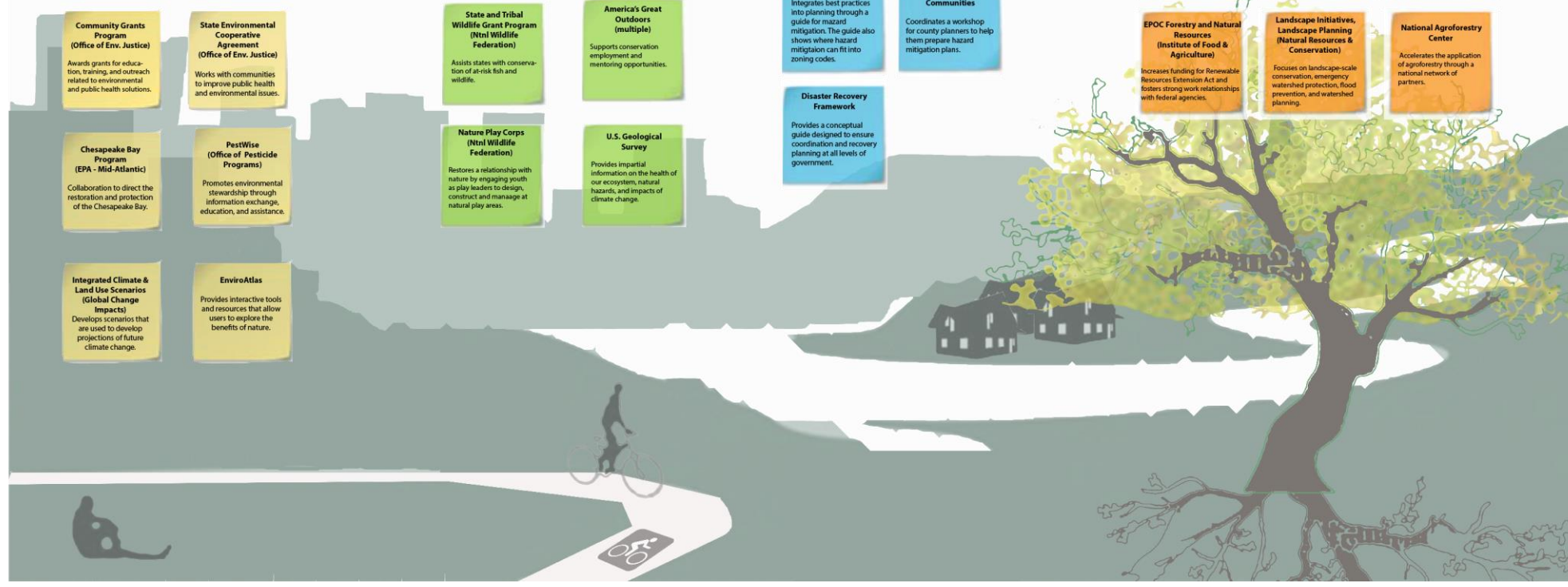
- Healthy Communities Program (Community Health)**  
Provides training and technical assistance to reduce chronic disease, achieve health equity, and make healthy choices.
- National Center for Environmental Health**  
Promotes a healthy environment without environmental hazards with an emphasis on vulnerable populations.
- Go Green, Get Healthy Initiative (Office of Sustainability)**  
Coordinates sustainability workgroups for CDC employees.
- Health Impact Assessment (Healthy Places)**  
Provides a framework to help evaluate the potential health effects of a plan, project or policy before it is built or implemented.

## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (USDA)

- Financial Assistance Programs (Ntl Resources & Conservation)**  
Helps agricultural producers engage in conservation activities.
- UCF Technology Transfer (U.S. Forest Service)**  
Encourages the use of technology and science-based resources to improve management of urban ecosystems.
- National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council (U.S. Forest Service)**  
Acts as a foundation for practical policy on urban forestry.
- Climate Change Program Office (Office of Economist)**  
Coordinates USDA's response to climate change focusing on agriculture, forests, grazing lands, and rural communities.
- Cooperative Forestry (U.S. Forest Service)**  
Works with States and private landowners to promote healthy forests and livable communities.
- Urban and Community Forestry (U.S. Forest Service)**  
Focuses on the stewardship of urban natural resources.
- Forestry Research Advisory Council (Institute of Food & Agriculture)**  
Researches forestry through land-grant colleges or agricultural experiment stations.
- Grant Program (National Institute of Food & Agriculture)**  
Awards grants to advance agriculture, environment, human health, and communities.
- Conservation Technical Assistance Program (Ntl Resources & Conservation)**  
Assists individuals and organizations to engage in conservation.
- EPOC Forestry and Natural Resources (Institute of Food & Agriculture)**  
Increases funding for Renewable Resources Extension Act and fosters strong work relationships with federal agencies.
- Landscape Initiatives, Landscape Planning (Natural Resources & Conservation)**  
Focuses on landscape-scale conservation, emergency watershed protection, flood prevention, and watershed planning.
- National Agroforestry Center**  
Accelerates the application of agroforestry through a national network of partners.

## FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA)

- Hazard Mitigation**  
Integrates best practices into planning through a guide for hazard mitigation. The guide also shows where hazard mitigation can fit into zoning codes.
- Planning for Disaster Resistant Communities**  
Coordinates a workshop for county planners to help them prepare hazard mitigation plans.
- Disaster Recovery Framework**  
Provides a conceptual guide designed to ensure coordination and recovery planning at all levels of government.



## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD)

**Community Development Block Grants (Community Planning & Dvpt)**  
Revitalization, affordable housing, expanded economic opportunity, and improved community facilities and services.

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT)

**Sustainable Highway Initiative (Federal Highway Administration)**  
Offers sustainability working group and the INVEST self-evaluation tool.

**TIGER Discretionary Grants (Office of Infrastructure Finance & Innovation)**  
Awards grants for investments in road, transit, rail, and port projects (economic recovery focus).

**Pipeline & Hazardous Materials Safety Administration**  
Protects people and the environment from the risks of hazardous materials transportation by establishing a national policy and research.

## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (DOED)

**Green Strides**  
Works to make schools healthier, safer, and more sustainable. Provides resources and webinars to facilitate Green Ribbon Schools.

**Green Ribbon Schools**  
Highlights exemplary practice and resources of schools that reduce environmental impacts and costs.

**Environmental Education**  
Supports community learning centers that provide academic enrichment opportunities during the non-school year.

## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION (NSF)

**ULTRA Grants**  
Awards grants for interdisciplinary research on people and the natural ecosystems in urban settings.

**Environmental Sustainability Program**  
Promotes industrial ecology, green engineering, ecological engineering, and earth system engineering.

## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY (DOE)

**State and Local Solution Center (Office of Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy)**  
Strategic energy planning, policy, financing, data management, and technologies for energy efficiency.

**Federal Energy Management Program (Office of Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy)**  
Offers assistance to agencies for implementing energy and water efficient technologies.

**Office of Soil & Ground Water Remediation Program (Environmental Management)**  
Offers waste management and site restoration services.

## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE (DOD)

**REPIP Program (Readiness & Environmental Protection Integration)**  
Encourages military installations to create buffers to protect and conserve surrounding parcels of land.

**Sustainability Program**  
Participates in sustainable practices such as composting, rainscaping, using native plants, and being pollinator-friendly.

**Sustainable Sites Initiative**  
Guides and evaluates sustainable landscapes through a LEED-like criteria for evaluating the sites.

## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE (DOC)

**Climate.gov (National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration)**  
Provides maps and data about climate change, resources for teaching about climate change, and policy documents.

**Sustainable Fisheries (National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration)**  
Manages fish stocks important to commercial, recreational, and subsistence fisheries.

**Habitat Conservation (National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration)**  
Works to conserve coastal, marine, and riverine habitat.

**Office of Protected Resources (National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration)**  
Protects marine mammals and endangered and threatened marine life.

**SeaGrant (National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration)**  
Awards grants in healthy coastal ecosystems.

## FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

**Office of Electric Reliability**  
Helps protect and improve the reliability and security of the nation's bulk power system through regulatory oversight.

## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

**Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA)**  
Assures safe and healthful working conditions by enforcing standards.

## U.S. BOTANIC GARDEN

## URBAN FORESTRY AFFECTS ALL THESE TOPICS:

**ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE:**  
Equitable distribution of costs  
Equitable access to environmental services & benefits  
Equitable engagement in decision-making

**AIR QUALITY:**  
Carbon Sequestration  
Cooling/Energy Conservation  
Pollutant Removal

**COMMUNITY & HUMAN HEALTH:**  
Public Health Benefits  
Enhanced Safety  
Noise Reduction  
Property Values  
Local Food Forests  
Social Connectivity

**ECOSYSTEM QUALITY:**  
Biodiversity  
Habitat  
Wildlife Corridors  
Climate Change

**WATER QUALITY & QUANTITY:**  
Buffers/Water Flow  
Pollutant Removal  
Stormwater Management  
Sea Level Rise & Flooding

Learn more about urban & community forestry at [www.urbanforestplan.org](http://www.urbanforestplan.org)