

2020 Landfill Host Community



Environmental Legacy Fund (ELF) Grant

Pilot Program

Details and Timeline

On January 21, 2020 the Dakota County Board of Commissioners authorized the 2020 Landfill Host Community Environmental Legacy Fund (ELF) Grant Pilot Program to eligible Dakota County cities. At the discretion of the Dakota County Board of Commissioners, up to \$3 Million of ELF funding is available for eligible projects.

Applications Open

January 22, 2020

Applications Due

April 1, 2020

Eligible Cities

Cities eligible to receive funding on Projects include:

- Burnsville
- Coates
- Inver Grove Heights
- Rosemount
- South Saint Paul

Eligible Expenditure Categories

The 2020 Landfill Host Community Environmental Legacy Fund (ELF) Grant Pilot Program expenditure themes include:

- Economic development activities including land acquisition, demolition, and relocation through an agreement with the Dakota County Community Development Agency (CDA).
- Brownfield redevelopment activities, including land acquisition and remediation for park and greenway improvements connecting county/regional parks and greenways. (See eligible project expenditures below.)*
- Natural resource conservation and restoration projects.
- Activities supporting the Dakota County Solid Waste Master Plan.

*Parks and Greenways

2020 Eligible Expenditures

- Raingarden construction and maintenance
- Retention/Infiltration ponds and basins
- Stormwater source control and treatment
- Bioswales
- Green roofs
- Saturated buffers
- Permeable paving
- Rainwater reuse systems (cisterns, etc.)
- Tree planting
- Natural resource protection, restoration and maintenance
- Interpretive signage
- Bioretention systems
- Restored/constructed wetlands
- Pollinator habitat
- Associated design for the above

Expenditures Not Eligible

- Buildings
- Electrical systems
- Impervious pavement and sub-base including bituminous trails
- Stormwater conveyance not associated with treatment (catch basins, lift stations, pipes, etc.)
- Equipment (playground and otherwise)
- Fencing
- Associated design costs for the above

Additional Considerations

Grant applicants must publicly acknowledge, with signage where applicable, Dakota County's ELF Contribution making the project possible.

Eligible expenditures beginning January 1, 2018 may be eligible for reimbursement for parks and greenway improvements only (City expenses only).