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Project Fact Sheet: Community Engagement

PROJECT TITLE

Partnership to Restore Hampton Waterways (VA)

RECIPIENT

Chesapeake Bay Foundation, Inc.

AWARD AMOUNT

Total \$200,000
Federal: \$200,000
Non-Federal N/A

MATCHING CONTRIBUTIONS

Non-Federal \$139,191

LOCATION

Hampton River Watershed

AWARD DATE

September 2015

PROJECT STATUS

Closed

ABOUT NFWF

The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) protects and restores our nation's fish and wildlife and their habitats. Created by Congress in 1984, NFWF directs public conservation dollars to the most pressing environmental needs and matches those investments with private funds. Learn more at www.nfwf.org

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Hampton Decisionmaker Trip (Credit: Chesapeake Bay Foundation)

BACKGROUND

Since 1999, NFWF's Chesapeake Bay Stewardship Fund has been dedicated to protecting and restoring the Chesapeake Bay by helping local communities clean up and restore their polluted rivers and streams. Working with the public and private sectors, the fund delivers on-the-ground conservation successes benefiting the communities, farms, habitats and wildlife of the Chesapeake Bay region.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Chesapeake Bay Foundation's (CBF) Partnership to Restore Hampton Waterways helped to: (1) jumpstart oyster restoration activities through comprehensive surveying and citizen oyster gardening workshops; (2) create a living shoreline with new tidal marsh; (3) install five small rain gardens at public spaces and two large bioretention projects at highly-visible roadway intersections; (4) educate stormwater professionals at a workshop on innovative stormwater tools; (5) host tours of the watershed for local decision makers to experience best management practices; and (6) engage volunteers in hands-on restoration and educational activities. The City of Hampton installed two large-scale bioretention projects at highly-visible locations, helping to reduce runoff and educate city residents on water-quality issues. CBF created 224 linear feet of living shoreline and planted 2,500 square feet of tidal marsh at Bluebird Gap Farm, a public park owned by the city. Overall, the partnership helped prevent approximately 46.974 pounds of nitrogen, 15.24 pounds of phosphorus, and 69,460.16 pounds of sediment pollution reaching local waterways and the Chesapeake Bay.

FUNDING PARTNERS

- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service