NATURE Restoration Projects *may include:*

Raingardens

Native Plant Gardens

Shoreline Stabilization

Boulevard Plantings

Habitat Restorations

Streambank Restorations



Other Grant Opportunities in Ramsey County

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Rice Creek Watershed District

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Vadnais Lakes Area Water Management Org

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Valley Branch Watershed District

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What is the NATURE Program?

NATURE is a program to improve the living environment of the urban area through increasing wildlife habitat, protecting surface and groundwater quality and increasing runoff infiltration. The Ramsey Conservation District (RCD), in partnership with local Watershed Districts and Water Management Organizations, will provide free technical assistance for designing raingardens and other qualified restoration projects that create habitat and protect our lakes, streams, and wetlands. Those interested in receiving cost share will go through an application process. Due to limited funding, not all applicants will receive financial assistance. Successful applicants will sign a cost share contract, agreeing to maintain the restoration for a minimum of five years.

Who is eligible?

- You must be a landowner in Ramsey County.
- Your project will be evaluated by the RCD staff for environmental benefit, size, and visibility.
- Your restoration plan must be either designed or approved by an RCD representative.
- You must be willing to sign the cost share contract and an operation and maintenance agreement.

What else should I know?

- Only plants native to Minnesota will be used for these projects. No cultivars or non-native can be used.
- Landscape design assistance is available on a limited basis.
- Installation and maintenance are your responsibility; though RCD will provide technical assistance where and when available.

Limitations

Not all participants in the program may be eligible for cost share funds. All will receive technical assistance whenever possible!

The RCD is a special purpose unit of government established in 1973 to encourage the protection and improvement of Ramsey County natural resources.



Shoreline restoration project at Lake McCarrons in Roseville