



## **FUNDING AVAILABLE FOR GRASSROOTS FISHERIES HABITAT IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS**

*Application Deadline September 18, 2024*

The FishAmerica Foundation is soliciting projects from grassroots, nonprofit organizations conducting projects designed to improve sport fish populations, aquatic habitat, or water quality. Projects must be conducted in Wisconsin, Minnesota, Michigan, Florida, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Tennessee, New Hampshire, or Washington (state). Grants are limited to a maximum of \$25,000 but smaller projects are encouraged to apply. Matching funds are desirable but not required.

**Who is Eligible?** Non-profit, 501(c)3 organizations, state, and local governments are invited to apply. Proposals submitted by government agencies must include and demonstrate the active participation of local, volunteer organizations.

**What Types of Projects will Be Considered?** “Hands-on” projects designed to directly improve water quality or aquatic habitat for recreational species are eligible for funding.

**Are Education or Research Projects Eligible?** Projects that are purely educational, research, or outreach are not eligible for funding *under this solicitation*. Projects which clearly demonstrate direct improvement to habitat for fisheries resources and which incorporate research or education as a minor component may be considered for funding.

**How Can We Apply?** A completed application, letter of endorsement from a state natural resources agency, and evidence of non-profit (501(c)3 status are the minimum materials needed to apply. Supplemental materials may be submitted in support of this application.

**What is the deadline for Applications?** Applications will be accepted up until midnight (eastern time) Monday, September 18, 2024. This deadline may be extended at the discretion of the FishAmerica Foundation.

**When Do Projects Need to be Completed?** Ideally, work under this funding will be mostly completed by August 31, 2025, but may be extended to no later than October 1, 2025.

**How Much Funding is Available?** FishAmerica is seeking to support 2-4 projects with a maximum award of \$25,000 per project.

**How Do I Get More Information?** Application materials may be attached to this announcement or available on-line at [www.fishamerica.org](http://www.fishamerica.org). Questions may be directed to [fafgrants@asafishing.org](mailto:fafgrants@asafishing.org)

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FISHAMERICA FOUNDATION APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Reference No: F/AF- \_\_\_\_\_ (internal use only-do not complete)

Type of Project: \_\_\_ Habitat Improvement \_\_\_ Cleanup \_\_\_ Stocking \_\_\_ Research  
\_\_\_ Education Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Organization's Legal Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization's Tax ID: \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Exempt Status: \_\_\_\_\_

Correspondence Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Individual to be Contacted: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of Funding Requested:\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Project Start Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Project Completion Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Short Title of Project: \_\_\_\_\_

Objective(s) of Project:

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. \_\_\_\_\_

Contact at State Natural Resources Agency:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Outline of Proposed Project (how objectives are to be obtained and expected results):**

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(attach additional pages if needed)

**Provide a brief statement how success will be measured:**

**Volunteer involvement-Detail Specifically how volunteers will be involved in this project.**

**Budget:**

Line Item	FAF Funds Requested	Matching Contributions	Source of Matching Funds
Personnel			
Fringe			
Travel			
Equipment			
Supplies			
Contractual			
Other			
Indirect			
TOTAL			

**Budget Narrative** (explain the above line items. For example, “Contractual will be used to hire a backhoe operator.”)

## Checklist

- Completed application form
- Letter of endorsement from state natural resources agency. Any project that involves manipulation of the environment (.eg., habitat improvement), wildlife or fish populations (e.g., fish stocking or removals) or are otherwise involves activities regulated by state, federal, or local governments must have a letter of endorsement from the natural resources agency. FishAmerica reserves the right to require such a letter from any project before funding is considered or approved).
- Letter of tax exempt status (501(c)3).
- Additional supporting materials (if any) limited to 5 additional pages.

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