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EASTERN NEW YORK CHAPTER  
MID-ATLANTIC STATES SECTION

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Dear Educator:

Since 2002, the Eastern New York Chapter of the Air and Waste Management Association (AWMA) has awarded over \$109,000 in 246 grants to motivated teachers in our area. In 2017, 21 qualifying projects received grants up to \$750 per school for a total of ±\$13,900. Additional information can be found at our web site: <http://awmanenychapter.wildapricot.org/>

As members of ENY AWMA, we would like to introduce ourselves and announce the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Earth Day Grant program. AWMA is an international organization of environmental professionals. The main purpose of our organization is to share knowledge about the environment, pollution, and ways to eliminate or reduce pollution. **To this end, we would like to announce that the Eastern New York Chapter of AWMA is sponsoring several grants in honor of Earth Day 2018.** We would like to assist you in promoting environmental awareness by supporting environmental/science based projects in your school.

If you have an environmental/science-based project or event that you would like to have funded, please complete and submit the attached Earth Day Grant Application by **Wednesday March 28, 2018**. Partial or full grants will be awarded for qualifying projects or events based on technical and educational merit as determined by our Education Committee when we meet the 1<sup>st</sup> week in April. We will consider funding project equipment (such as water testing kits, microscopes, and alternative energy kits), or an event (such as a special program presentation). Preference will be given to projects involving scientific studies (water quality studies, alternative energy projects, projects requiring data collection and analysis, etc.); however, all requests will be given consideration. Applications providing detailed descriptions of how and when the grant will be used, and specific educational benefits as a result of the program are key areas in the evaluation. As we are an organization made up entirely of volunteers, applications which minimize or eliminate costs associated with labor and administration are always welcomed. A list of the 2017 grant winners is attached, but should not be considered a list of the only types of projects which may be funded – try a new idea, think outside the box!

Please refer to the attached Grant Application for the details and deadlines. All grade levels at schools with a zip code starting with “12” are eligible. We look forward to hearing from you, and hope that we can assist you in teaching our youth the role we all play in keeping our environment healthy.

Sincerely,

The 2017-2018 Eastern New York Chapter AWMA Education Committee:

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Air & Waste Management Association - Eastern New York Chapter

**2017 Earth Day Grant Awards**

School Name	Location	Project Name
Arlington High School	LaGrangeville	Measuring Electricity Use in Our Schools
Cambridge Central School	Cambridge	Hedges Lake Water Quality Monitoring Study
Charles B. Warring Elementary School	Poughkeepsie	Tracking A Sign of Spring
Coxsackie- Athens CSD/Aqua Lab	Coxsackie	Amping Up Aquatic Awareness!
Coxsackie-Athens HS Environmental Science Class	Coxsackie	Bees to the Buzz
Gilboa Conesville Central School	Gilboa	Protecting Our Water Resource One Bottle at a Time
Gloversville Middle School	Gloversville	Plant, Grow, Cook, Eat
Mooers Elementary School	Mooers	Drip-line Kindergarten Pumpkin Patch
Oak Hill School	Scotia	Solar Power and Why it Matters
Oakwood Friends School	Poughkeepsie	"Barrel-ly" Saving Water at OFS
Orville A. Todd Middle School	Poughkeepsie	Interdependent Relationships in Ecosystems
Ostrander Elementary School	Walkill	Ostrander's Collaborative Composting project
Poughkeepsie High School	Poughkeepsie	The Fallkill Creek: Where Students Teach
Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Middle School	Ravena	Creating an Outdoor Classroom
Shaker High School	Latham	Monitoring Pollinator Diversity
Shaker Road Elementary School	Albany	Take the Shaker Road to STEM 2017
St. Jude the Apostle School	Wynantskill	Green Water?! Yes, Please! Every Bottle Counts! Drinking Fountain Project
St. Mary's School	Ticonderoga	Let's Learn About Natural Solutions!
Tamarac High School	Troy	Quackenkill Quality:Water Testing & Macroinvertebrate Sampling
The Free School	Albany	A Garden for Everyone
Wildwood Programs, Inc.	Schenectady	Wildwood School Earth Day Event & Composting Project

Grants were awarded to a diverse group of schools and for a wide variety of environmental projects. Representatives of Coxsackie Elementary School, Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Middle School and Coxsackie-Athens High School attended AWMA's November 2017 meeting and presented their projects. In addition to members seeing the benefits of the grant program, our annual meeting presents an opportunity for students to speak in a professional forum.

**In 2017, generous donations were received from:**

Platinum Level (\$1,000+)	Silver Level (\$200-\$499)	Bronze Level (\$50-\$199)
Foundation for Engineering Education (\$2,500)	ARCADIS	Dina Ayers
Eastern New York AWMA Chapter	C.T. Male Associates	Bob Duff
	David Roecker	Daniel Lang
		Paul Rappleyea

In addition, as part of our fundraising efforts for the 2017 Earth Day Grant program, proceeds from the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Peter B. Desrochers Memorial Golf Tournament included sponsorships from: Adirondack Environmental Services, AECOM, Alpha Analytical, APTIM, Arcadis, Barton & Loguidice, C.T. Male Associates, Cascade, CHANGE, Chemtech, Con-Test Analytical, Covanta, Environmental Risk Information Services, Eurofins Spectrum Analytical, Geotech Environmental Equipment, Harris Beach PLLC, Highground Industrial, O'Brien & Gere, Parratt Wolff Inc., Whiteman Osterman & Hanna LLP, Spectra Environmental Group, Sterling Environmental, Young/Sommer LLC, Bob Duff, and Bud Hovey.

Air & Waste Management Association  
Eastern New York Chapter  
**2018 Earth Day Grant Application**

The Air & Waste Management Association - Eastern New York Chapter - is sponsoring multiple grants in honor of Earth Day 2018. The purpose of the grants is to promote environmental awareness through educational activities.

Applications may be submitted by e-mail to [earthdaygrants@awmaneny.org](mailto:earthdaygrants@awmaneny.org) or [enyawmaec@gmail.com](mailto:enyawmaec@gmail.com) (preferred method as a green initiative) or via mail to:

AWMA 2018 Earth Day Grant Program  
PO Box 1851  
Latham, NY 12110

- An electronic version of this application can be obtained from our website at <http://awmanenychapter.wildapricot.org/>
- **Applications must be received by Wednesday March 28, 2018.**
- **Maximum award not to exceed \$750.00.**

**Any questions regarding the Earth Day Grant should be directed to:**

- ENY AWMA Education Committee via e-mail at [enyawmaec@gmail.com](mailto:enyawmaec@gmail.com), or
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**Application conditions:**

- All applications will be reviewed and the grants awarded by AWMA-ENY Chapter Education Committee. All decisions are final. Grant winners will be announced in early April 2018.
- Grant winners are required to submit a brief report to AWMA-ENY Chapter Education Committee after completion of the Earth Day project. This report is informal and has no specific format, but should include general details of the project / event with pictures where appropriate. The Education Committee would like to follow your progress and share in your accomplishments. Earth Day Grant submissions to the AWMA including photographs, exhibits, videos, etc. become the property of the AWMA and may be used to publicize the Earth Day grant program, including posting on the web, at public events, or by other means. Submissions will not be returned.
- ***Grant winners must submit a final report in order to be eligible for future grants.***
- The award must be used during the 2017 / 2018 academic school year unless the application proposes an alternative schedule.
- Grant winners may be invited to attend an AWMA meeting and present the results of their project. This is a great opportunity for students to participate in a professional forum and interact with environmental professionals. See photos of previous meetings at <http://awmanenychapter.wildapricot.org>.

