

Organization	Project Title	Project Description	Award
Gunpowder Valley Conservancy	Reforestation at a Pollinator Farm	GVC will reforest 8.97 riparian acres by doing an infill planting of 600 native trees in 2024 at a pollinator farm in Reisterstown, MD. A contractor will be hired to remove dead ash trees and GVC staff and volunteers will plant the new native trees. The long-term outcome will be an annual reduction of 151.76 lb N, 15.2 lb P, 14.55 T Sediment.	\$49,968.00
Chesapeake Rivers Association	Cecil Ave. Farm Afforestation	This project will afforest 2.16 acres of pastureland, replacing grass with trees, increasing the riparian buffer to a Use Class III non-tidal cold water stream, one of the most cost effective BMPs to prevent nitrogen, phosphorus and total suspended sediment loads. The project is located within a priority watershed for restoration according to the Anne Arundel County Severn River Watershed Management Plan. The afforestation will enhance the width of contiguous tracts of mature forest for forest-interior dwelling bird habitat and will expand the forested buffer of Reach 3 of Jabez Branch, a tributary of Severn Run in the headwaters of the Severn River. The afforestation will expand the riparian forest buffer at the top of a steep slope to the floodplain and stream and provide forest corridors connecting protected forest hubs for wildlife within the Severn Run Natural Environment Area. The landowner has committed to donating native understory shrubs and herbs to support the tree planting plan and to seeking additional grant funds to complete the tree planting on the property for a total goal of 7.74 acres. Outreach and planting events will provide an entryway for the Jabez Reach 3 Stream Restoration currently under construction.	\$50,000.00
Chesapeake Rivers Association	Cecil Ave. Farm Afforestation Phase 2	This project proposes an afforestation of 2.16 acres of pastureland that was formerly used for grazing cattle. The afforestation project is located within the 1,500 acre subwatershed of Jabez Branch, a Use Class III non-tidal cold water tributary of Severn Run within the headwaters of the Severn River. The project site is adjacent to the 1,700 acre Severn Run Natural Environment Area, managed by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR). This project will afforest 2.16 acres of the property with native tree species adapted to the project site. The pastureland proposed for afforestation is contiguous with existing mature forest and will be planted to expand the forested buffer of Reach 3 of Jabez Branch.	\$50,000.00