

Promoting Green Infrastructure: EPA Urban Waters and Making a Visible Difference

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Improving Water Quality - Volunteer Clean up Days



Education and job training



Stormwater management and green infrastructure
“Save the Rain” Program—
(Onondaga Co., NY)

National Urban Waters Efforts



Watershed Restoration and Protection Programs

• Empowering Underserved and EJ Communities—Creation of ‘Pocket Parks’ (Los Angeles, CA)

• Community Engagement and Outreach—River Rangers Youth Empowerment (South Platte River, CO)

Embracing Technology and Social Media – Anacostia Mapping Tool



EPA Making a Visible Difference Communities



Technical Assistance Resources

- EPA Competitive Grants: Urban Waters, Air, Environmental Justice
- EPA Programs: Urban Waters, Brownfields, Environmental Justice, Air
- EPA Office of Sustainable Communities technical assistance: workshops, building blocks program
- EPA Conflict and Prevention Center contract
 - Provide convening support
- Partnerships with Federal and Local agencies



Nampa Stormwater Education and Outreach



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Dharma Rain Zen Center



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brownfield

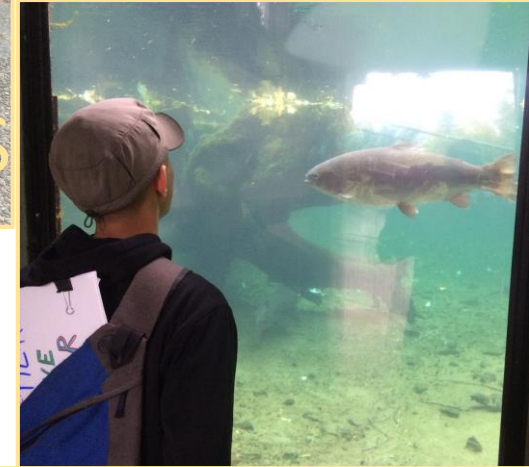
access to green spaces

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Grounding Waters

education



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