

# Conservation Partners Legacy Grants Program (CPL)

*CPL is a matching grant program created to restore, enhance, and protect prairies, forests, wetlands, and other habitat for fish, game, and wildlife in Minnesota.*

## ***How is the CPL Program Organized?***

<p><b>Metro, Traditional, New Applicant Grants</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Larger grants: \$5000-\$500,000.</li> <li>• Up to two grant cycles each.</li> <li>• Can take place on public and private land (if under permanent conservation easement).</li> <li>• Restoration, enhancement, and acquisition projects allowed.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Expedited Conservation Projects (ECP)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Smaller grants: \$5000-\$50,000.</li> <li>• Up to five grant cycles.</li> <li>• Can only take place on public land.</li> <li>• Only restoration and enhancement projects allowed (no acquisitions).</li> </ul>
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## ***Who Can Apply for CPL?***

<p><b>Units of Government</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cities</li> <li>• Counties</li> <li>• Tribal Governments</li> <li>• Federal Agencies</li> <li>• Conservation Districts</li> <li>• Public Universities</li> <li>• School Districts</li> <li>• Other Units of Government</li> </ul>	<p><b>501 c(3) Registered Non-Profits</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Land Trusts</li> <li>• Lakes Associations</li> <li>• Charitable Organizations</li> <li>• Private Colleges and Universities</li> <li>• Fishing/Hunting Organizations</li> <li>• “Friends of” Groups</li> <li>• Other registered non-profits</li> </ul>
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## ***2023 Appropriation Accomplishments***

<p><b>Statewide Grants</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$2.5 Million Available</li> <li>• \$3.4 Million in Requests</li> <li>• 8 Grantees Funded.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Metro Grants</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$2.5 Million Available.</li> <li>• \$4.2 Million in Requests.</li> <li>• 8 Grantees Funded</li> </ul>	<p><b>New Applicant Grants</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$3 Million Available</li> <li>• \$3.2 Million in Requests</li> <li>• 8 Grantees Funded</li> </ul>	<p><b>Expedited Grants</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$1 Million Available</li> <li>• \$925,000 in requests after 2 rounds</li> <li>• 14 Grantees funded after 2 rounds</li> </ul>
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# The CPL Program by Numbers

**Over 1000 Projects** have been funded through CPL.

**Over 260 Organizations** have partnered with CPL to get projects funded.

**Over 585,000 acres** of habitat have been restored, enhanced or protected through the CPL program.

**Over 100 Million Dollars** in grant funds have been awarded to organizations throughout Minnesota.



*Tree planting and protection along a creek in Duluth.  
Project by: South St. Louis SWCD.*



*A restored oak savanna cleared of invasive species in Carver County.  
Project by: Minnesota Valley Trust, Inc.*



*Rare Great Blanket Flowers in bloom at a restored prairie in Otter Tail County.  
Project by: Minnesota Land Trust.*

## Projects by Habitat

