

**KENAI WATERSHED FORUM (KWF) AND  
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA)**

**2024 Environmental Education Sub-Grants: Enhancing Kenai Watershed Stewardship in  
Underserved Communities through Adopt-A-Stream.**

**Request for Proposals (RFP)**

Announcement: October 1st, 2024

**Deadline: October 31, 2024**

**Summary:** Kenai Watershed Forum's (KWF) Adopt-A-Stream (AAS) program is an interactive program designed to increase an understanding of watersheds through the delivery of an interdisciplinary curriculum centered on outdoor environmental experiences to K-12 students from diverse communities in the Kenai Peninsula Borough Schools. Working with partners for over ten years, AAS designs and disseminates water quality curricula via classroom visits, field trips to local streams, and a summer camp. K-12 students adopt a nearby stream site to monitor and protect, leading to significant environmental investigations, curiosity, and active environmental stewardship.

**Funding Opportunity:**

**KWF is seeking applications that promote environmental literacy, stewardship and increase participation in environmental education activities in underserved communities.**

Priority will be given to projects that include underserved communities, such as people of color, low income, title 1A, differently abled, rural, tribal, and indigenous populations. Projects will be ranked by the KWF Steering Committee on their ability to assist in carrying out goals of the AAS program during the project period.

By virtue of federal funding and in partnership with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the total estimated funding for this competitive opportunity is \$25,000. KWF anticipates awarding five agreements of approximately \$5,000 each.

Eligible applicants must be a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, a local education agency (e.g. KPBSD), or environmental agency located within the Kenai Peninsula Borough.

Eligible expenditures: time spent for project planning, direction project activities, and travel to and from project.

**Project Requirements:**

1. The project should increase environmental literacy and directly impact underserved communities.
2. The project must include how it will incorporate KWF's AAS program and/or program components into the execution and timeline.
3. Project partners will have bi-annual reporting requirements as well as a final report.

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**Project Timeline: Projects will be selected in November 2024, and must be completed by July 31st, 2025**

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| <b>Project Title:</b> |  |                          |  |
| <b>Contact:</b>       |  | <b>Title:</b>            |  |
| <b>Email:</b>         |  | <b>Phone:</b>            |  |
| <b>Organization:</b>  |  | <b>Amount Requested:</b> |  |
| <b>DUNS #</b>         |  | <b>SAM #</b>             |  |

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| <b>Project Description:</b> Briefly Describe your project, including goals and Objectives  |
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| <b>Audience:</b> How many students (or educators) will your project reach? What communities will your project reach?   |
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| <b>Program implementation/delivery methods:</b> Describe the activities that students (or educators) will participate in. How will this project incorporate AAS? |
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**Project Evaluation:** How will you measure success in this project?

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**Project Budget:** Describe your project expenses (including personnel, supplies, equipment, travel, etc.)

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**For any questions regarding this project, or funding opportunities, please contact Katey Shedden ([education@kenaiwatershed.org](mailto:education@kenaiwatershed.org)) or (907) 252-3443**

**Please submit applications by Thursday, October 31st by 5pm AKST to [education@kenaiwatershed.org](mailto:education@kenaiwatershed.org)**