

Kentucky American Water Proudly Recognizes American Water Charitable Foundation 2025 Water and Environment Grantees

Over \$98,000 awarded to four recipients

LEXINGTON, Ky., (May 19, 2025) – The [American Water Charitable Foundation](#), a philanthropic non-profit organization established by American Water (NYSE: AWK), the largest regulated water and wastewater utility company in the U.S., recently announced four organizations were awarded a 2025 Water and Environment grant, supporting communities served by Kentucky American Water.

“At Kentucky American Water, we are proud to support these outstanding organizations whose projects align with our mission to protect our water resources and enhance environmental sustainability,” said Rob Burton, president of Kentucky American Water. “The dedication and innovation these grantees exemplify inspires us and we are pleased to, along with the American Water Charitable Foundation, amplify their impact in the communities we serve.”

Below is a list of grantees in Kentucky:

[Foodchain](#): Project expanding urban agriculture education through vertical aquaponics systems in schools, community centers, and recovery facilities.

[Friends of the Parks in Fayette County](#) – [Friends of Jacobson Park](#): Native tree installation for water quality improvement and habitat restoration at Jacobson Park.

“With the American Water Charitable Foundation’s 2025 Water and Environment Grant Award, the dream of adding 104 large native trees to Jacobson Park will become a reality for the Friends of Jacobson Park,” said Katie Lindeman, president of Friends of Jacobson Park. “This is a timeless gift to our entire community that will keep on giving well into future generations and change the landscape of the park into the future for the better! We hope that all people and animals will be able to enjoy the oxygen, shade, beauty, habitat and cleaner water that these native trees will provide for our park and surrounding neighborhoods.”

[The University of Kentucky Arboretum](#): Construct Wolf Run Watershed educational boardwalk.

“We’re thrilled that the Arboretum was awarded an American Water Charitable Foundation 2025 Water and Environment grant to construct the Wolf Run Watershed educational boardwalk,” said Scott Smith, director of The Arboretum, State Botanical Garden of Kentucky. “This project will allow for the construction of a 150-foot-long boardwalk and trail network through a section of wetlands in the pollinator habitat that’s in the process of being created at the Arboretum. We’d like to thank our partners, the American Water Charitable Foundation and Kentucky American Water for this transformational grant for the Arboretum.”

[Bluegrass Greensource](#): support for the organization's Sustainability Summit to bring together community and business leaders to enact change in their own communities.

The Water and Environment grant is part of the American Water Charitable Foundation's Keep Communities Flowing Grant Program, focusing on three pillars of giving: Water, People and Communities. "The American Water Charitable Foundation is delighted to partner with eligible nonprofit organizations providing meaningful impact in Kentucky," said Carrie Williams, president, American Water Charitable Foundation. "Funding for Water and Environment grants supports projects focused on clean water, conservation, environmental education, climate variability, and water-based recreation."

Learn more about Kentucky American Water's community impact [here](#).

About American Water

American Water (NYSE: AWK) is the largest regulated water and wastewater utility company in the United States. With a history dating back to 1886, We Keep Life Flowing® by providing safe, clean, reliable and affordable drinking water and wastewater services to more than 14 million people with regulated operations in 14 states and on 18 military installations. American Water's 6,700 talented professionals leverage their significant expertise and the company's national size and scale to achieve excellent outcomes for the benefit of customers, employees, investors and other stakeholders.

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About American Water Charitable Foundation

The American Water Charitable Foundation, a philanthropic non-profit organization established by American Water (NYSE: AWK), focuses on three pillars of giving: Water, People, and Communities. Since 2012, the Foundation has invested more than \$20 million in funding through grants and matching gifts to support eligible organizations in communities served by American Water. The Foundation is funded by American Water shareholders and has no impact on customer rates. For more information, visit amwater.com/awcf.

About Kentucky American Water

Kentucky American Water, a subsidiary of American Water (NYSE: AWK), is the largest regulated water utility in the state, providing safe, clean, reliable and affordable water and wastewater services to approximately 527,000 people.

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