

**INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, DIVISION OF NATURE PRESERVES
LAKE MICHIGAN COASTAL PROGRAM**

Small Grants Program – Request for Proposals for July 2018 Funding Cycle

Dates: Proposals and guidance documents will be sent via email upon request until Thursday, July 12, 2018, 4:00 CDT

Proposal Submission Deadline: Friday, July 13, 2018, 5:00 p.m. CDT – *electronic submission only via email or hand-delivered on CD or flash drive*

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Summary: The purpose of Lake Michigan Coastal Program Small Grants Program is to support projects that seek to improve the connection between communities and the natural, cultural, and/or historical resources of Indiana's Lake Michigan watershed. The Small Grants Program also funds projects that assist communities and organizations in the coordination and planning for the management or restoration of these resources in the coastal area. Proposed projects must fall under one of two categories: Education & Outreach or Planning/Coordination/Management. For further information on eligibility, please request a Small Grant Proposal Packet and one will be emailed to you.

Funding: Maximum request for a project is \$5,000.00. All funds are distributed on a reimbursement basis, at the conclusion of the project.

Match Requirement: Applicants must demonstrate how they will provide non-federal matching funds of 50% of the total cost of the project.

Project Period: Applicants should plan for projects to begin no earlier than January 1, 2019. Project periods should be less than nine months in duration.

For additional information, to request a Small Grant Proposal Packet, or if you have any questions, please contact the Lake Michigan Coastal Program Grants Specialist, Sarah Nimetz. We strongly advise communicating with our Grants Specialist prior to submitting a proposal to ensure eligibility and a more successful, thorough proposal.

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