

## July 1, 2002 - September 30, 2003 Grant Cycle

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### Community Stewardship

#### Project

Resource Ranger Club West Florida Regional Planning Council

#### Contact: Eleanor Godwin, Grants Manager

West Florida Regional Planning Council  
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Tel: (850) 595-8910  
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**FCMP Funding Amount:** 25,000

#### Description:

This project will create a Resource Rangers Club for area school children, grades 3 through 12, and fund curriculum and activities for the first year. Initial start up will target sixth graders, promoting stewardship at an early age. The goal is to raise the level of understanding and support for what must be done to improve the local area's environmental quality.

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#### Project:

Wetlands/Groundwater Model  
Demonstration  
West Florida Regional Planning Council

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**FCMP Funding Amount:** 25,000

#### Description:

Education of students is important to the continued good quality of groundwater. Of equal importance is the protection provided our area waterways from wetlands filtration. Two demonstration models will be used to deliver the hands-on instruction in area schools.

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#### Project:

Florida Keys Greensweep 2002/2003  
The Nature Conservancy

**Contact: Chris Bergh, South Florida Regional Land Steward**

The Nature Conservancy  
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**FCMP Funding Amount:** 25,000

**Description:**

The Florida Keys GreenSweep program has two major goals in the keys; to recruit, train, and coordinate volunteers for high priority invasive exotic plant control, native species restoration and hazardous fuel reduction projects on public and private lands; and to raise awareness of the problems associated with invasive exotic species, the benefits of planting native plants and the importance of proactive hazardous fuel reduction through community education and outreach.

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**Project:**

Sea Turtle Educational Materials Palm Beach County

**Contact: Robert Walesky, Director**

Department of Environmental Resources  
Palm Beach County  
3323 Bevedere Rd. Building 502, West Palm Beach, FL 33406  
Tel: (561) 233-2400  
Fax: (561) 233-2414

**FCMP Funding Amount:** 25,000

**Description:**

This project provides for the distribution of educational materials and other sea turtle information throughout Palm Beach County as part of the county's sea turtle conservation programs. It includes: production and distribution of printed materials and mail outs; airing of an existing public service announcement; production of informational posters to be displayed near the beach; and maintenance of a sea turtle educational web page and the web-based sea turtle data management system.

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**Working Waterfronts**

**Project:**

Daytona Beach Waterfronts Florida Our Beginning Daytona Beach Partnership Association

**Contact: Frank DeMarchi, Executive Director**

Daytona Beach Partnership Association  
111 West International Speedway Blvd, Daytona Beach, FL 32114  
Tel: (386) 671-3272  
Fax: (386) 671-3273

**FCMP Funding Amount:** 25,000

**Description:**

This project will address the Waterfront district's problem of vacant buildings, unemployment, housing, and the city's lack of a water-based micro-economy by creating Task Forces to address these issues. The Task Forces will conduct a visioning process for their specific subject area. The Vision will be developed into a work plan that when combined with the other work plans will serve as the Master Work Plan for the 2003 Waterfronts Florida designation round.

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**Project:**

Eau Gallie Riverwalk Master Plan  
City of Melbourne

**Contact: Sueann Thomaston, Grants Manager**

City of Melbourne  
900 East Strawbridge Avenue, Melbourne, FL 32901  
Tel: (321) 953-6305  
Fax: (321) 953-6338

**FCMP Funding Amount:** 25,000

**Description:**

The City of Melbourne and community participants will design the plan for the proposed river walk project that was identified in the Eau Gallie Community Redevelopment Plan. This project will lay the groundwork for a successful application for Waterfronts Florida designation and for waterfront revitalization and redevelopment through a visioning process, public input and development and design of plans.

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**Remarkable Coastal Places**

**Project:**

Indian River Lagoon Scenic Highway  
St. Lucie County Board of County Commissioners

**Contact: Karen Woods Butcher, Project Manager**

St. Lucie County Board of County Commissioners  
2300 Virginia Avenue, Ft. Pierce, FL 34982  
Tel: (772) 462-2822  
Fax: (772) 462-1590

**FCMP Funding Amount:** 25,000

**Description:**

Financial and technical assistance from the Coastal Management Program will assist the residents of St. Lucie County in our effort to extend the Indian River Lagoon Scenic Highway designation for A1A. Going through the Scenic Highway Designation process, the community will work together to identify the resources and future goals for their communities along the Scenic Highway corridor. A Citizen Advocacy Group (CAG) will be formed with representatives of the community and government agencies along the proposed Scenic Highway corridor.

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**Project:**

Chapman Field General Plan  
Miami-Dade County Park & Recreation  
Department

**Contact: Sarah Bentley, Resource Development Section**

Miami-Dade County Park and Recreation Department  
275 Northwest Second Street, Suite 505, Miami, FL 33128  
Tel: (305) 755-7947  
Fax: (305) 755-5466

**FCMP Funding Amount:** 25,000

**Description:**

This project will conduct an all inclusive planning process to create a general plan and implementation program for Chapman Field Park. Implementation of a plan for Chapman Field Park will serve to meet a portion of the County's growing recreational needs. How this park facility relates and connects to other coastal public access points, interacts with the natural environment, and relates to surrounding water and land use will determine the long-term public and resource benefits that Chapman Field Park provides.

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**Public Access**

**Project:**

Ais Lagoon House Shoreline Stabilization City of Palm Bay

**Contact: John G. Rodgers, P.E., City Engineer**

City of Palm Bay  
5240 Babcock Street NE, Suite 300, Palm Bay, FL 32905  
Tel: (321) 952-3437  
Fax: (321) 953-8920

**FCMP Funding Amount:** 50,000

**Description:**

Funds will be used to stabilize the rapidly eroding bluff and shoreline at AIS Lookout Point, a city park on the Indian River Lagoon. Plans are being completed for the "Lagoon House," a gateway visitor center and public information resource for the Indian River Lagoon Scenic Highway. Invasive species will be removed from the bluff and shoreline and replaced with mangroves. A boardwalk will also be constructed along the top of the bluff to eliminate foot traffic on and over the bluff. To facilitate mangrove survival, natural coquina rock has been proposed to anchor the plants and to help stabilize the base of the bluff. The stabilization will reduce the amount of stormwater runoff, improve water quality, and reduce the amount of sedimentation being washed into the Indian River.

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**Project:**

Wakulla Welcome Center Development Project  
Wakulla County Board of County Commissioners

**Contact: Pamela Portwood, Grants Coordinator**

Wakulla County Grants Department  
Post Office Box 309, 3093 Crawfordville Hwy, Crawfordville, FL 32326  
Tel: (850) 926-0909  
Fax: (850) 926-0941

**FCMP Funding Amount:** 50,000

**Description:**

Project funds will provide rehabilitation and enhancements to the proposed Wakulla Welcome Center to bring it in compliance with building codes and ADA standards necessary to allow public access and provide interior designs and interpretive displays, artwork and educational program materials on the unique cultural, historical, and environmental resources of the Panacea community.

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**Project:**

Venice South Beach Pier/Parking/Beach Access  
City of Venice

**Contact: Nancy Woodley, Grants Manager and City Engineer**

City of Venice  
401 West Venice Avenue, Venice, FL 34285

Tel: (941) 486-2626

Fax: (941) 480-3031

**FCMP Funding Amount:** 50,000

**Description:**

Funding for this project will be used to install four dune walkovers and an elevated boardwalk to improve Venice South Beach. The dune walkovers and boardwalk will protect remaining vegetation in the area.

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**Project:**

Vitolo Family Park at Middle Cove

St. Lucie County

**Contact: Jim David, Mosquito Control Director**

St. Lucie County

2300 Virginia Avenue, Ft. Pierce, FL 34982

Tel: (772) 462-1686

Fax: (772) 462-1565

**FCMP Funding Amount:** 50,000

**Description:**

The Coastal Management Program funds will be combined with county funds to construct a fishing/observation pier and a 2-story outdoor environmental meeting area / observation tower. To minimize environmental impact, each of these structures will be placed in upland areas or in areas where sea grass beds will not be disturbed. A Web cam will also be purchased and installed for ADA access and educational purposes.

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**Project:**

River to Sea Preserve at Marineland

Flagler County Board of County Commissioners

**Contact:**

Benjie Cautey, Director of Public Works

Flagler County

1200 E. Moody Blvd. #3, Bunnell, FL 32110

Tel: (386) 437-7474

Fax: (386) 437-7476

**FCMP Funding Amount:** 30,000

**Description:**

This project will help to implement the elements of the management plan for the Preserve. Funding will be used to informational and educational signage; to remove exotic vegetation and replant native vegetation; to shell pedestrian pathways; to develop and provide educational signage along the hiking trail system; and to complete restoration work on the pavilion next to a freshwater pond that will be used as an outdoor classroom for environmental education.

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**Project:**

One Mile Wonder Walks City of Mexico Beach

**Contact: Paul Sabiston, City Manager**

City of Mexico Beach

Post Office Box 13425, Mexico Beach, FL 32456

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Fax: (850) 648-8768

**FCMP Funding Amount:** 50,000

**Description:**

This project will produce a dune walkover and restroom facilities and to construct an expanded observation deck area adjacent to the City Park.

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**Project:**

Manatee Pocket Walk Phase I Construction

Martin County Board of County Commissioners

**Contact: Hank Wollard, Senior Planner**

Martin County Growth Management

2401 Southeast Monterey Rd, Stuart, FL 34996

Tel: (772) 288-5495

Fax: (772) 288-5960

**FCMP Funding Amount:** 50,000

**Description:**

Funds from this project will be used to construct a boardwalk. The Manatee Pocket Walk, or boardwalk, as envisioned by the community, will connect the public parks and open spaces along Manatee Pocket into a public trail/pathway system.

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**Other Florida Coastal Management Program Grants**

**Project:**

Waterfronts Florida Partnership Implementation  
Department of Community Affairs

**Contact: Tracy Suber, Grants Manager**

Department of Community Affairs  
2555 Shumard Oak Blvd, Tallahassee, FL 32399  
Tel: (850) 922-1819  
Fax: (850) 488-3309

**FCMP Funding Amount:** 75,000

**Description:**

This project will provide funding to DCA to be subcontracted to the three Waterfronts Florida communities designated in 2000 for their second-year waterfront revitalization projects. Each of the following communities will receive \$25,000: unincorporated Panacea in Wakulla County; unincorporated Old Homosassa in Citrus County; and unincorporated Port Salerno in Martin County.

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**Project:**

Florida Seagrass Management  
Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission

**Contact: William Sargent**

Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission  
100 8th Ave SE, St. Petersburg, FL 33701  
Tel: (727) 896-8626  
Fax: (727) 893-1679

**FCMP Funding Amount:** 72,345

**Description:**

This project will meet the pressing need to identify educational materials to increase appreciation of the value (ecological and economic) of healthy seagrass beds and case studies of BMPs. To that end, a multi year project was initiated to fill those needs. An educational brochure has been printed, a "Tool Kit" describing a wide array of BMP available for seagrass conservation was produced, and an inventory of seagrass conservation projects was conducted with results being posted on the FMRI web site. Development and writing of a comprehensive plan for seagrass conservation was initiated.

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**Project:**

Florida Blueways Strategic Implementation  
Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission

**Contact: William Sargent**



Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission  
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Tel: (727) 896-8626  
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**FCMP Funding Amount:** 153,038

**Description:**

This year's efforts will further develop the human use component with spatial modeling of uses such as wildlife viewing, ecotours, sea kayaking, and tour boat cruises in the Charlotte Harbor model region. The project will also package those completed ecological, human use and management characterizations already completed for Blueways into a single GIS application for presentation and demonstration.

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**Project:**

NPS Monitoring Crystal/Suwanee River Basin Phase  
Department of Environmental Protection

**Contact: Charles Kovach, Environmental Manager**

Department of Environmental Protection  
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Tel: (813) 744-6100  
Fax: (813) 740-3906

**FCMP Funding Amount:** 170,000

**Description:**

Grant funds will be used to supplement other monitoring conducted to verify whether water bodies are impaired, and to determine the relative contributions of nonpoint sources to impairment. The monitoring will be conducted in water bodies in the Crystal River to St. Pete and Suwannee River (Lower) Basins that are similar in nature to those scheduled for the development of TMDLs in FY 2002 and FY 2003. The results of this monitoring effort will lead to the development of techniques for TMDL establishment and verification of the contributions of nonpoint sources to impairments of designated uses.

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**Project:**

Sharing Best Practices for Coastal Management  
Council for Sustainable Florida

**Contact:**

Sharon M. Cooper, Executive Director  
Council for Sustainable Florida

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**FCMP Funding Amount:** 60,000

**Description:**

To identify best practices in coastal protection and restoration practices, to provide recognition to those businesses and communities doing a good job of community stewardship, and to use this information to encourage others to become more involved FCMP has contracted with the Council for Sustainable Florida. The Council will develop an application process focused on identifying business, government and community initiatives in the following areas:

Efforts to promote public and/or employee awareness of coastal issues

Environmental education programs

Participation in community action and clean-up efforts

Sustainable business practices (resource management and renewal initiatives to support a healthy coastal area)

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**Project:**

Local Coastal Programs Technical

Support Department of Community Affairs

**Contact: Beth Frost, Senior Management Analyst I**

Department of Community Affairs

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**FCMP Funding Amount:** 50,000

**Description:**

This grant provides a portion of the funding for travel expense for DCP staff to meet with local government staff, elected officials, and citizens of the 35 coastal counties and coastal municipalities and graduate Waterfront Florida communities. Such meetings, workshops, and hearings may be attended to coordinate responses or address concerns dealing with projects subject to federal consistency review; to provide technical assistance for comprehensive plan evaluation and appraisal reports or plan amendments; to facilitate the review and approval of DRIs; to address school sitting coordination within coastal communities; to provide other technical assistance related to plan implementation and to provide technical assistance to Waterfronts Florida graduate communities.

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**Project:**

Clean Marina Program  
Department of Environmental Protection

**Contact: Jan DeLaney, Grants Manager**

Department of Environmental Protection  
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Tel: (850) 245-2847  
Fax: (850) 245-2859

**FCMP Funding Amount:** 200,000

**Description:**

Funds for this project will continue the implementation of the designation program for marina and boatyard operators as well as boaters. Funds will be used to further implement a multi-component approach consisting of marketing, workshops, technical assistance, publications, distance learning strategies, grant awards and designation.

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**Project:**

Waterfronts Florida Partnership Development  
Department of Community Affairs

**Contact: Tracy Suber, Grants Manager**

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2555 Shumard Oak Blvd, Tallahassee, FL 32399  
Tel: (850) 922-1819  
Fax: (850) 488-3309

**FCMP Funding Amount:** 20,000

**Description:**

This project will provide funding for the Division of Community Planning to coordinate a team of DCA staff experienced in coastal land-use planning, community visioning, housing and community development, emergency management, and land acquisition programs will provide technical assistance to the designated communities.

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**Project:**

Aquatic Preserve Documentary  
Department of Environmental Protection

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Department of Environmental Protection  
3900 Commonwealth Blvd, Tallahassee, FL 32399

Tel: (850) 245-2094

Fax: (850) 245-2110

**FCMP Funding Amount:** 60,000

**Description:**

This project is designed to increase statewide awareness of Florida's aquatic preserves by distributing and airing a one-hour Super 16 mm film project featuring the natural environmental wonders of aquatic preserves, the impacts of human activity, and what can be done to keep these waters and their inhabitants healthy in the future. The project will link education, art, and information to increase volunteer participation.

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**Project:**

Rookery Bay NERR Interpretive Exhibit Project

Department of Community Affairs

**Contact: Gary Lytton, Environmental Administrator**

Department of Environmental Protection

300 Tower Road, Naples, FL 34113

Tel: (239) 417-6310

Fax: (239) 417-6315

**FCMP Funding Amount:** 150,000

**Description:**

Project funds will be used for the design and production of two interpretive exhibits at the Rookery Bay Environmental Learning Center (ELC), which is located adjacent to Rookery Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve headquarters in Naples, Florida.