WELCOME STREAM AWARD APPLICANTS

Tuesday, July 15, 2025

## STREAM AWARD AGENDA

- Welcome and Introductions
- Housekeeping
  - Will make slides available
  - Questions put in chat or call out I can't see you all
- Sea Grant Program
- STREAM Award
- Details and Deadlines
- Application Materials (sorry, lots of text)
- eSeaGrant
- Q+A





## Sea Grant Network

Mission: To enhance the practical use and conservation of coastal, marine and Great Lakes resources to create a sustainable economy and environment







## **STREAM AWARD PURPOSE**

Purpose: allow small amounts of funding to have big impacts on communities, education, and research focusing on coastal and marine science in Massachusetts.







# STREAM AWARD PROJECT TYPES

- The STREAM Award program supports projects such as:
  - small research projects and seed funding;
  - undergraduate/graduate student support;
  - innovative scientific ideas to bring coastal and marine science and engineering into preschool through high school (P-12) classrooms, after-school activities, and community events; and
  - rapid response projects







## **STREAM AWARD PROJECT TYPES**

- Not just research!
  - Proposals may also focus on extension, education, communications.









# STREAM AWARD PAST PROJECTS

- Past Projects:
  - 29 projects funded since 2022
  - Designing a highly extensible ROV with a highly actuated gripper arm to lower the barrier to entry for student marine research projects: Northeastern University Robotics Club
  - Water Quality Monitoring in Duxbury Bay: Island Creek Foundation
  - Pilot Programming for Experiential Coastal Liberal Arts Education: Gull Island Institute
  - Charles River Floating Wetland kits: Charles Conservancy
  - FTIR-microscopy for characterization of microplastics in seawater: Univ. of Massachusetts Dartmouth







## STREAM AWARD DETAILS AND DEADLINES

- Up to \$9,999
- 50% match
- 2/1/2026-1/31/2027
- No more than one proposal per Project Lead / Principal Investigator.
- Deadline for optional Pre-Submittal Interest Form: September 2, 2025 by 5:00pm ET.
- Deadline for Proposals: Monday, September 15 by 5:00pm ET
- Deadline for eSeagrant access: Friday, September 12 by 5:00pm ET





## STREAM AWARD ELIGIBILITY

- Applicants affiliated with a Massachusetts organization:
  - institutions of higher education
  - P-12 schools
  - Museums
  - Tribes
  - Private companies
  - nonprofit groups
- Students <u>must</u> apply through an eligible faculty member or educator.
- Must have a UEI Number
- Must have an active SAMS account





#### **Environmental Literacy and Workforce Development**

- STEM education,
- community science programs,
- public outreach and engagement,
- workforce development









#### **Healthy Coastal Ecosystems**

- Water quality,
- eelgrass beds and coastal habitats,
- coastal wetlands,
- ecosystem
   connectivity and
   habitat restoration
   and hydrologic
   connectivity
   improvements









#### **Resilient Communities and Economies**

- capabilities and resources to prepare for and adapt to extreme and chronic weather and coastal hazards,
- economic disruptions and other threats to community health and well-being.







#### **Sustainable Fisheries and Aquaculture**

 Domestic fisheries, aquaculture and other coastal and freshwater natural resources







## STREAM AWARD APPLICATION MATERIALS

- Project Narrative (2-5 pages)
  - Title and Contact Information
  - Project Start and End Dates
  - Coastal- or Marine-Related Issue or Opportunity to be Addressed (great place to mention the Focus Area!)
  - Objectives (Numbered List Format)
  - Methods/Approach
  - Outcomes/Benefits to MA Communities/Constituents
  - Cross-Cutting Principles
  - Engagement and Outreach





## STREAM AWARD APPLICATION MATERIALS

- Budget/Budget Justification
  - 50% Match
    - Money, equipment, salary provided by the applicant.
    - STREAM funds may not be used for salary, but non-federal salaries may be used for matching funds.
  - Indirect Costs (IDC)
    - Light, heat/cooling, power, internet, and data transmission and storage.
    - Your proposal may not be only IDC.
    - If you wish to waive your organization's IDC, submit in writing.
    - If you have a negotiated IDC Rate, submit a copy of the agreement.
    - If you do not have a negotiated IDC Rate, use 15%.





## **NEXT STEPS – Pre-Submittal Form**

- Read the RFP!
- We strongly encourage all potential applicants to fill out the Pre-Submittal Interest Form by September 2, 2025 by 5:00pm ET.
- Help us determine if your project is a good fit for this RFP and better guide you in the application process.
- If you do choose to fill out the form, we may contact you to discuss your project ideas prior to preparing application materials.





# **NEXT STEPS - eSeagrant**

- After this webinar, email me (<u>mnewlim@mit.edu</u>) with the following information:
  - First and Last Name
  - Email address
  - Phone Number
- You will receive an email with a password
- Check your spam/junk email!





## eSeagrant

- MIT Sea Grant's online portal
- https://eseagrant.mit.edu/

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# ANY QUESTIONS?





