

Lower Monocacy River Residential Planting

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The Neighborhood Green Program, sponsored by Frederick County, Carroll County, and the Monocacy & Catoctin Watershed Alliance, used grant monies awarded by the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation to provide cost-share and technical assistance to landowners for the reforestation of private properties to create stream buffers. The benefits of creating these buffers are numerous; trees along the stream provide habitat, filter runoff, and regulate stream temperature by providing shade.

Resource Management staff met with interested landowners and determined the potential planting areas, native plant species, and the landowner's ultimate vision for his/her property. This particular planting, completed in spring 2013, resulted in the reforestation of **0.43 acres**.

