

The Quinnipiac River Fund 2011 Grants

Organization Name	Grant Amount	Description
Audubon Connecticut	\$10,000	To raise awareness among legislators, homeowners, and the general public about ways to reduce both non-point and point sources of pollution and to improve habitat for birds and other wildlife within the Quinnipiac River Watershed.
Connecticut Coalition for Environmental Justice	\$5,000	To continue to educate fishers on safe consumption of fish by volunteers, bilingual safe fishing signage posted at river locales and by building grassroots support for a new state ban on lead fishing weights in the interest of fishers' and wildlife well-being.
Land Use Leadership Alliance (LULA)	\$11,000	To support a four-day Leadership Training Course to deepen the network of trained land use commissioners whose decisions have a direct impact on Quinnipiac River water quality.
North Haven Trail Association	\$3,000	To support consultant/professional work required to support the definition and granting of land easements from private property owners along the river where the intended route of the trail is located.
Northeast Organic Farming Association of Connecticut Inc.	\$6,000	To support the continuation of homeowner workshops which will initiate educational outreach on organic land care to inland/wetland and conservation commissions, including installation and assisting in the development and related outreach of an online turf forum geared towards Connecticut school groundskeepers.
Quinnipiac River Watershed Association	\$16,000	To support the Quinnipiac Urban River Stewardship project, which will install several river stewardship signs in prominent locations to promote human links to this urban river and foster stewardship of the shared resource, as recommended in the watershed management plan for a similar urban river, the North Branch of the Park River in Hartford/Bloomfield.
Quinnipiac University	\$5,000	To support surveying for phthalate plasticizers in an effort to characterize potential contamination of the Quinnipiac River by municipal and industrial sources.
Schooner Inc.	\$5,000	To support the New Haven Harbor Data Project which will create and maintain an online catalog of data about New Haven Harbor and will be accessible on Schooner's website.
University of New Haven, Department of Biology	\$10,000	To support the Biodiversity and Impacts of Drift Algae in the New Haven Harbor study, which will continue to assess habitat structure and species diversity in New Haven Harbor, and to investigate the dynamics and potential impacts of extensive drift algal mats that have been found in portions of the harbor.
The Watershed Partnership Inc.	\$16,000	To support the Safe Grounds Campaign which helps reduce non-point source pollution from lawn pesticides and synthetic fertilizers in the Quinnipiac River watershed.
Yale University - Grant & Contract Administration	\$10,000	To support the continuation of investigations into the causes and implications of marsh drowning in the Quinnipiac River.