



Natural Resources Announcement

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OPPORTUNITY TO APPLY FOR 2022 ISLAND COUNTY CONSERVATION FUTURES FUNDS

Island County is accepting applications for grants from the [2022 Conservation Futures Program](#). The Conservation Futures Program is funded by a local property tax. The Conservation Futures property tax is used for land protection and stewardship to preserve the irreplaceable character of unique, distinctive lands and to protect habitat.

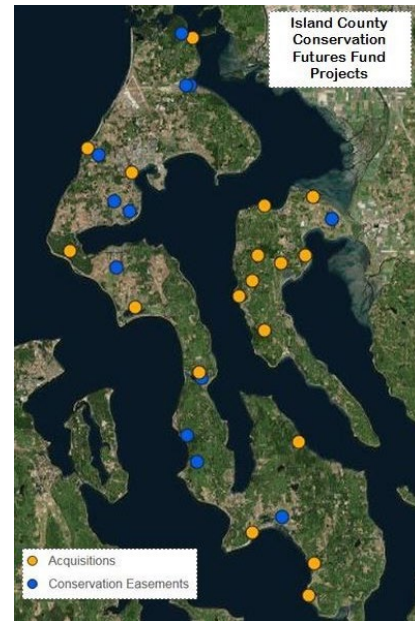
The organizations eligible to receive Conservation Futures grants include Island County government, cities, towns, special purpose districts, non-profit nature conservancy organizations (as defined in RCW 84.34.250), and non-profit historic preservation organizations (as defined in RCW 64.04.130).

The application and funding information are available on the [Island County Conservation Futures website](#).

Since 1992, Island County Conservation Futures funds have been used to help protect over 3800 acres in the county through either purchasing the property or purchasing a conservation easement. These grants are often leveraged with state or federal funds to increase their impact locally. Recent projects that the CFF has helped fund include:

- The Lone Lake Shoreline and Farm Protection Project,
- Protecting Kristoferson Farm and Forest on Camano Island through a conservation easement,
- Increasing protected wetland area at the headwaters of Glendale Creek by acquiring adjacent property,
- Expanding and improving the Barnum Point Park on Camano Island,

- Creating the new Pearson Preserve on South Whidbey for public waterfront access, and
- Expanding the Strawberry Point Preserve and adding public parking and trail access.



To be considered in the 2022 funding cycle, completed applications for projects must be emailed to jennifer.johnson@islandcountywa.gov by the end of day on Monday, February 28th. For further information please visit the website above or contact Jennifer Johnson, Island County DNR Manager at (360) 679-7352.

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