Missouri American Water Accepts Applications for Hydration Station Grants

Applications Accepted now through April 30

ST. LOUIS, MO – March 24, 2025 – Missouri American Water is now accepting applications for hydration station grants from eligible organizations within its service areas. The annual program aims to reduce single-use plastic waste by providing sustainable hydration options in public spaces.

"The program is designed to make safe and healthy hydration more accessible in public spaces while promoting environmental stewardship," said Rich Svindland, President of Missouri American Water. "Programs that eliminate plastic waste in our waterways are critically important to protect drinking water sources."

Each day in the United States more than 60 million plastic water bottles end up in landfills and incinerators, according to the Container Recycling Institute. Hydration stations help reduce the number of single-use plastic bottles that end up in landfills and sources of drinking water.

Selected recipients will receive grants to help purchase indoor or outdoor bottle filling stations and/or drinking fountains, enhancing public access to sustainable water sources. Recipients will be responsible for installation and maintenance costs.

Funding for the Hydration Station Grant Program will be provided by the American Water Charitable Foundation, as part of its State Strategic Grant Program, focused on high-impact projects and initiatives throughout American Water's national footprint. State Strategic grants are part of the Foundation's Keep Communities Flowing Grant Program, focused on three pillars of giving: Water, People and Communities.

For more information and to apply, visit <u>missouriamwater.com</u> > News & Community > Community Involvement > Hydration Station Grant Program or <u>click here</u>. Fill out the questionnaire by April 30 and provide the requested documentation. Recipients will be notified in May.

About American Water Charitable Foundation

The American Water Charitable Foundation, a philanthropic non-profit organization established by American Water (NYSE: AWK), focuses on three pillars of giving: Water, People, and Communities. Since 2012, the Foundation has invested more than \$20 million in funding through grants and matching gifts to support eligible organizations in communities served by American Water. The Foundation is funded by American Water shareholders and has no impact on customer rates. For more information, visit amwater.com/awcf.

About Missouri American Water

Missouri American Water, a subsidiary of American Water, is the largest regulated water utility in the state, providing high-quality and reliable water and wastewater services to approximately 1.6 million people. For more, visitmissouriamwater.com and follow Missouri American Water on X, Facebook, Instagram, YouTube and Linked In.

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