

TOWN OF DUNE ACRES
Ecological Cost-Sharing Program

The purpose of the town's cost-share program is to encourage the ecological stewardship of privately-owned property. This includes initial removal of invasive species and ongoing maintenance. In all cases, invasive species removal shall include either total removal of the plant (including roots) or the chemical treatment of cut stems/stumps.

1. The following species are considered invasives for the purpose of this program:

TREES: Norway Maple, Black Locust

WOODY SHRUBS: Burning Bush, Honeysuckle, Autumn Olive, Japanese Barberry

VINES: Oriental Bittersweet

OTHER: Garlic Mustard, Creeping Charlie, Vinca (Periwinkle)

2. Cost-Share Applications will be accepted January 1st through August 1st. A total of \$5,000 in town funds has been appropriated for the program. Applications will be considered until the appropriation has been exhausted, or up to August 1st, whichever comes first.
3. Eligible cost-share expenditures include contracted labor and chemicals. Residents must demonstrate that all application expenditures are for live invasive species eradication. Other landscape work is not program-eligible.
4. Residents should first select a qualified contractor to prepare a quote for work. The written quote will then be submitted to the office of the Clerk-Treasurer with the application. Contractors providing services under this cost-share program must meet minimum qualifying requirements:
 - a. Town-registered
 - b. General knowledge of ecological restoration best practice
 - c. Hold herbicide application certification
5. Residents will be notified in writing regarding their program award. Cost-share distribution from the town will be issued following completion of all work, inspection of work by town officials, and proof of payment to the contractor.

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2018 Invasive Plant Removal Cost-Share Program Application

Resident's Name

Dune Acres Address

Contractor's Name

Contractor's Town Registration Number

(Attach copy of Contractor's Herbicide Application License)

I, owner of the property certify that all work will be completed in accordance with program eligibility and contractor specifications.

Signature/Date

DESCRIPTION OF PLANNED ENVIRONMENTAL WORK

Please provide a brief description of proposed work, including location on lot

Total Amount of Contractor Proposal

\$ _____

Total Amount of Town Grant Requested

\$ _____

50% of cost, up to \$500

(attach a copy of the contractor proposal)

TOWN APPROVED

yes / no _____

GRANT APPROVED DATE _____

COST-SHARE GRANT PAID DATE _____

**Provide a copy of the final contractor invoice once all work is completed.
After site inspection, the town will issue cost-share payment to the resident.**