

**Project Name**

Youth River Festival

**\*Grant Recipient**

Lincoln Hills Cares

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**\*WSRF Grant Type**

Watershed Health, Environmental, & Recreational

Education & Outreach

Planning, Studies, & Permitting

**Eligible Water Activities (Check All That Apply)**

Nonconsumptive (Environmental)

Nonconsumptive (Recreational)

Municipal/Industrial

Needs Assessment

Education & Outreach

**If other, please explain.**

(No response)

**Total Project Cost**

\$ 50,000.00

**Are you submitting a proposal to the South Platte Basin RT, the Metro RT, or both?**

Both

**South Platte Basin RT Grant Amount Request (If applicable)**

\$ 5,000.00

**Metro RT WSRF Grant Amount Request (If applicable)**

\$ 5,000.00

**Statewide Fund Grant Amount (if any)**

(No response)

**Colorado Water Plan Grant Amount Request (if any)**

\$ 5,000.00

**Other Basin Roundtables WSRF Funding Being Requested (if any)**

(No response)

**If Other Roundtable Requests, which roundtable(s)**

(No response)

**\*Project Description**

Beginning in 2018, youth and leaders from the Denver metro area chose to develop the South Platte River Advisory Youth (SPRAY) Council. The SPRAY Council then developed the evolving Our River, Our

Our Voices, Our Future Plan to Restore the South Platte River. <https://spraycouncil.magcloud.com/> And SPRAY Website. <https://sites.google.com/view/spray-projects/> The Youth from the SPRAY Council aligned with community partners are updating the plan with stakeholders from across the water world. In order to bring these diverse stakeholders together and celebrate the work towards a fishable and swimmable South Platte River, the youth are holding a South Platte Youth River Festival October 12, 2024 at the CSU SPUR Hydro Building. Your support would be incredible as the youth continue working to restore the urban South Platte River and host the River Festival.

**\*Which basin priorities does the project address? How?**

This project is in integrated alignment with the basin priorities of: Education and Outreach Planning Watershed, Environmental Health, Recreation.

**\*Project Timeline and Tasks**

Youth will be employed in the implementation of watershed restoration activities and watershed planning until the South Platte Youth River Festival October 12th, 2024. With matching funding, this work will continue with youth and community into 2026. It is hard to understate how influential your support would be to our youth, the surrounding river community and the River Festival. Thanks very much for considering us. All budgets, demographics will be available upon request. Mapping available upon request and included in the water plan which is being revised currently into 2026. These funds are specifically being asked for to support the Youth River Festival October 12, 2024. We really need the support and would be honored to include the South Platte and Metro Roundtables in our list of partners and friends who are working to restore the urban corridor of the South Platte River.  
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