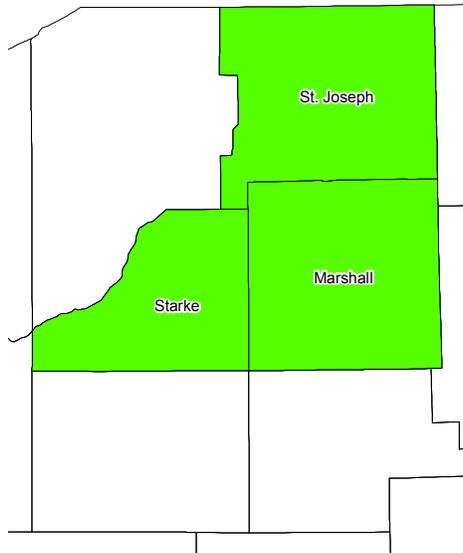




# Clean Water Indiana 2016 Competitive Grants



This grant seeks to improve water quality by helping producers utilize all aspects of the conservation cropping systems (no-till, cover crops, nutrient management and filter strips) which will improve soil health and reduce erosion and nutrient runoff in the Kankakee Watershed. To reduce nutrient loading, the program will offer a cost-share program for new acres for cover crops, no-till, nutrient management, and filter strips. The program will incorporate education by providing workshops that work with producers and partners on proper uses of each soil health practice.



## Program Overview

The Clean Water Indiana (CWI) Program (IC 14-32-8) was established to provide financial assistance to landowners and Soil and Water Conservation Districts (SWCDs).

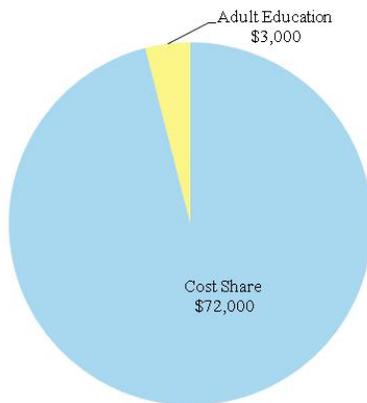
Through education, technical assistance, training, and cost sharing programs, the program supports the implementation of conservation practices which will reduce nonpoint sources of water pollution. CWI also provides matching funds for Indiana's Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) and the Conservation Cropping Systems Initiative (CCSI).

## Program Administration

The CWI fund is administered by the Indiana State Department of Agriculture Division of Soil Conservation under the direction of the State Soil Conservation Board (SSCB). The fund is derived from a portion of cigarette tax funds. (IC 6-7-1-29.3) The cigarette tax fund is 4.22 percent of total cigarette tax revenue, and the CWI fund receives one sixth of this amount. The CWI Program is responsible for providing local matching funds as well as grants for sediment and nutrient reduction projects through Indiana's SWCDs.

**LEAD DISTRICT:**  
St. Joseph  
**COLLABORATING DISTRICTS:**  
Marshall, Starke  
**PROJECT NAME:**  
Enhancement of Soil Health and Water Quality on Agricultural/ Urban Land  
**PROJECT DATES:**  
1/1/2016 - 12/31/2018  
**PROJECT AMOUNT:**  
\$75,000

Total Funds Awarded:



For more information about CWI, please visit: [in.gov/isda/2379.htm](http://in.gov/isda/2379.htm).  
Email questions or comments to [cleanwaterindiana@isda.in.gov](mailto:cleanwaterindiana@isda.in.gov).  
To find your local SWCD: please visit: [in.gov/isda/2370.htm](http://in.gov/isda/2370.htm).

**Key Partners:**

- NRCS
- Purdue Extension
- Local Businesses

