

PARKS IMPROVEMENTS TO NEARSHORE AQUATIC HABITAT IN THE LOWER OTTAWA RIVER GRANT BULLET POINTS

Parks & Youth Service

Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI) Grant Acceptance for funding for the Improvements to Near Shore Habitat in the Lower Ottawa River Project

- Ohio EPA is awarding the City a Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI) Grant. Total amount of funding is \$400,000.
 - Grant Amount is \$400,000.
 - There is no cost share or match requirement.
- The project will ultimately create instream habitat in the nearshore area of the Ottawa River along Harry Kessler Park in the Maumee Area of Concern (AOC). This award is for the design and engineering portion of the project.
- The activities include preparation of a quality assurance project plan, project engineering designs, permit application, site conditions survey and analysis, cultural resource investigation and public outreach.
- The restoration will address fish populations, benthic populations, and fish habitat beneficial uses impairments in the lacustrine portion of the Ottawa River.
- Intended beneficiaries include students and teachers at Ottawa River Elementary School and all those who live, recreate and/or work in the Maumee AOC.
- The grant period is October 1, 2024 until March 30, 2026.