

# THESE GRASSES WILL HELP THE BAY...

## WHY BAY GRASSES ARE IMPORTANT TO THE HEALTH OF THE CHESAPEAKE:

- PROVIDE HABITAT AND PROTECTION FOR JUVENILE AND ADULT FISH AND SHELLFISH.
- SUPPLY FOOD FOR WATERFOWL, FISH, AND MAMMALS.
- INCREASE DISSOLVED OXYGEN IN THE WATER COLUMN AND IN THE SEDIMENTS.
- IMPROVE WATER CLARITY BY ABSORBING WAVE ENERGY, REDUCING SHORELINE EROSION, SETTLING SUSPENDED SEDIMENT IN THE WATER, AND STABILIZING BOTTOM SEDIMENTS.



THESE GRASSES WILL BE PLANTED IN THE CHESAPEAKE BAY DURING  
NOAA RESTORATION DAY IN JUNE

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