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Milwaukee, WI – April 8, 2025 – WaterMarks is thrilled to announce that we have received a supplementary grant to help the U.S. National Science Foundation (NSF) celebrate its 75th Anniversary on **Saturday, May 10, 2025**—officially recognized as STEM Day! Across the country, museums, planetariums, libraries, community-based organizations, parks, and universities will host engaging activities in honor of NSF's milestone.

Here in Milwaukee, we are organizing a **city-wide celebration** to highlight the WaterMarks project and NSF's ongoing support. This exciting event will feature a full day of programming, **running from 10 AM to 4 PM**, including:

- Water related programming and NSF highlights at the Milwaukee Public Museum.
- Site-specific informal science and arts activities hosted by neighborhood partners.
- **STEM activities and information** led by Discovery World, Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewer District, and Milwaukee Public Museum at specific sites (to be announced).
- A free "hop-on/hop-off" shuttle bus connecting event locations.

Participants can learn about and celebrate water and water management in Milwaukee through various art and science activities at the following locations:

- Milwaukee Public Museum (800 W Wells St, Milwaukee, WI 53233)
- **G Marker at Green Tech Station** (4101 N 31st St, Milwaukee, WI 53216)
- H Marker along the Beerline Trail in Harambee/Riverwest (E Keefe Ave & N Richards St)
- H Marker at Harbor View Plaza (600 E Greenfield Ave, Milwaukee, WI 53204)
- Ñ Marker across from Pulaski Park along the Kinnickinnic River (S 16th Street & W Harrison Ave)
- L Marker in Lindsay Heights (N 15th St & W North Ave)
- **G Marker (installation pending) in Grasslyn Manor, Sherman Park** (5555 W Capitol Dr, Milwaukee, WI 53216)

How to Participate

Hop on a **free** WaterMarks shuttle bus to visit as many locations as you like! Each bus will have a knowledgeable host providing insights into Milwaukee's water systems, their artistic intersections, and NSF's crucial role in the project's success. Prefer to explore on your own? Grab a **"Field Atlas"** (also available online) —designed by Reflo's MKE Water Stories Program Manager, Michael Timm—to guide your adventure.

About WaterMarks

WaterMarks is currently funded by a National Science Foundation grant (AISL #2115637), managed through a partnership between City as Living Laboratory, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, and the Center of Science and Industry (COSI).

Stay Updated

For more information and the latest updates on our **NSF 75th Anniversary celebration on May 10** and the WaterMarks project, visit our website at www.watermarksmke.org/nsf75 or contact us directly.

Let's come together to celebrate **science**, **art**, **and water in Milwaukee** as part of this nationwide tribute to NSF's 75 years of discovery and innovation!

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