



Sea Tow Foundation™ Announces 2025 Life Jacket Loaner Program Awardees

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Southold, NY (June 10, 2025) – The [Sea Tow Foundation](#), a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting boating safety, is proud to announce its 2025 [Life Jacket Loaner Program](#) Awardees.

Through the 2025 grant program, a total of 3,774 life jackets and 50 loaner stand kits were awarded.

- **119 groups across 39 states** received life jackets
- **50 of those groups** received a loaner stand kit
- **71 groups** plan to create a brand-new life jacket loaner station in their community
- **48 groups** plan to replenish existing stations with new life jackets
- **33 groups** are new to the program

These efforts continue to expand access to life-saving equipment and demonstrate a strong, nationwide commitment to safe boating practices. The awarded organizations represent a wide range of groups, including parks, marine businesses, health care organizations, law enforcement agencies, community and non-profit groups and more.

“We are thrilled to support these outstanding organizations as they work to make boating safer and more accessible in their communities,” said Gail R. Kulp, Executive Director of the Sea Tow Foundation. “By expanding the Life Jacket Loaner Program, we’re giving families and boaters the tools they need to make smart, safe decisions every time they’re on the water.”

Since its launch in 2008, the Sea Tow Foundation’s Life Jacket Loaner Program has grown to over 1,300 loaner stations across all 50 states, D.C., and the U.S. territories, with more than 106,000 life jackets distributed to date. Funded through a grant from the Sport Fish Restoration and Boating Trust Fund, administered by the U.S. Coast Guard, the program continues to play a critical role in preventing drowning and promoting safer days on the water.

For more information about the Life Jacket Loaner Program or to find a loaner station near you, visit <https://www.boatingsafety.com/page/life-jacket-loaner-program>

ABOUT SEA TOW FOUNDATION

The Sea Tow Foundation – a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization - was started in 2007 by Captain Joe Frohnhoefer, founder of Sea Tow Services International, after he witnessed too many preventable accidents and fatalities on the water. Through its flagship programs which include the Life Jacket Loaner Program, Sober Skipper Campaign, Flare Education and the National Boating Safety Awards, the Sea Tow Foundation strives towards its vision of a world where boaters are safe and responsible.

To learn more, visit boatingsafety.com.

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