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Director's Note

bservers sometimes remark that land conservation organizations such as MET are in the business of conserving memory and history, as well as land. Conservationists want an "aftereasement" photograph that looks the same as the "before" picture. At the same time a forward outlook is vital in terms of understanding regional demographic and economic forces, anticipating trends in land use change, and moving out ahead of the curve to protect remaining conservation lands before it is too late.

Sometimes, ironically, it is the imminence of development that spurs local citizen action. Fortunate are those areas that have capable land trusts and active conservation programs in place, with significant areas of land already protected, when development pressure ratchets up. But not all areas are so well prepared.

From 2000 to 2005 there were indications of some demographic shifts in Maryland. During this period the centrifugal distribution of population continued, pushing outward from metro centers. U.S. census figures from this time show the largest population growth (in percentage terms) in Calvert, Charles, Cecil, and Frederick counties, respectively. Net internal migration data highlight Frederick and Carroll counties as the top two gainers in population, as more people moved in than moved out, while Baltimore City, Montgomery County, and Prince George's all experienced large net losses.

Central Maryland and the Upper Eastern Shore have historically been very active areas for easement donations to MET and our partner land trusts. More recently, and along with the above trends, opportunities have emerged in other regions. Most notably, MET has seen new interest in the southern and western counties in the state; we have moved to assist landowners and to enlarge conservation opportunities in those areas.

If "timing is everything," then it is important to reach conservation-minded landowners where and when development pressure is still relatively low. Yet experience bears out the challenge: in economically depressed areas any type of development may be welcomed, even if adequate land use planning and voluntary conservation tools are not in place. And citizens and landowners may not feel much urgency to be proactive when the direction and impacts of future land use change are not yet known or visible.

Conversely, jurisdictions with the necessary elements in place can both buy time and encourage voluntary land conservation. MET does best in those areas where land use has been stabilized by strong planning and zoning measures, and clusters of properties have been previously conserved through private land trusts and government programs. In such areas landowners have options and are less likely to feel overwhelmed by an onrushing wave of development. With informed citizens and property owners, active land trusts, adequately funded conservation programs and supportive government policies, there is a great deal we all can do.

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Conservation Easement Program Description

The primary focus of the Maryland Environmental Trust is the protection of land from development through donated conservation easements. A conservation easement is a perpetual legal agreement between a landowner and the Trust, ensuring that a property shall not be developed or subdivided

beyond a limit agreed upon by both parties. The land is thereby protected and preserved; the landowner retains all rights of ownership and privacy. An easement is binding on all future landowners and may lead to significant income, estate, and property tax benefits.

CENTRAL REGION

JULY 1, 2003 - JUNE 30, 2004

Central Region Planner Jim Highsaw and other staff completed 18 donated easements protecting a total of 764 acres. Five of these easements are held jointly with local land trusts.

Baltimore County remains the leading county for new easements in the Central Region. The 15 new easements in the county cover 641 acres. These new easements include: three easements totaling 79 acres in the Green Spring Valley Historic District; two easements covering 72 acres in the Worthington Valley Historic District; 25 acres of farmland in the Long Green Valley Historic District; 25 acres of farmland and woodland set aside to help protect the setting of an historic house on Old Court Road; 61 acres of woodland next to Oregon Ridge Park; 59 acres consisting primarily of farmland northwest of Glyndon; 70 acres of farmland and woodland on Priceville Road; 111 acres of farmland and woodland on Stringtown Road, northwest of Butler; 91 acres on Falls Road, close to White House; 26 acres on Falls Road, north of Shawan Road; 9 acres on Manor Road, just south of the My Lady's Manor Historic District; and 13 acres of farmland north of Glyndon.

InCecilCounty, METaccepted adonated easement on 66 acres of woodland and wetlands on the Susquehanna River near Perryville, and a donated easement on 42 acres of farmland and woodland on the North East River near North East. Most of the land on these properties is in the

Chesapeake Bay Critical Area.

In Howard County, MET received a donated easement on 15 acres consisting primarily of woodland next to a large farmland preservation easement held by the County. The property includes a pond and two streams.

JULY 1, 2004 - JUNE 30, 2005

Jim Highsaw and other staff completed 15 donated easements protecting a total of 521 acres. Seven of these easements are held jointly with local land trusts. Two of the easements were donated by local land trusts.

The easement program continues to be popular in Baltimore County, with ten landowners donating easements on 239 acres. The new easements include: two easements covering 29 acres of farmland and woodland in the Worthington Valley Historic District; 39 acres of farmland and woodland on Manor Branch in the My Lady's Manor Historic District; two easements on 13 acres of woodland and open space in the Green Spring Valley Historic District; 14 acres of farmland and woodland in the Caves Valley Historic District; two adjacent easements protecting 135 acres of farmland and woodland on Falls Road. northwest of Butler: 6 acres of woodland next to a cluster of easements just north of the Green Spring Valley; and 3 acres of farmland next to an easement previously donated by the same landowners.

In Carroll County, MET teamed with the Maryland Historical Trust and the

Carroll County Land Trust to accept a donated easement on 9 acres, just south of New Windsor. The property includes farmland, an historic house, and a tributary of Monocacy River.

In Cecil County, the Eastern Shore Land Conservancy donated an easement on 196 acres west of Cecilton that it had acquired in 2004. The property includes farmland, woodland, and wetlands. MET also accepted an easement on 0.5 acres of woodland and open space, which was an addition to a 37 acre easement on Herring Creek donated by the same landowners.

In Harford County, the Harford Land Trust donated an easement on 74 acres of woodland surrounding Big Branch, a tributary of the Deer Creek Scenic River. The easement protects the habitat for forest interior dwelling birds and buffers Big Branch. The Harford Land Trust, which acquired the property in 2004, plans to use it for educational programs and retreats.

In Howard County, MET received a donated easement on 3 acres of mostly woodland next to Patapsco State Park. The woodland buffers a tributary of the Patapsco River.

All of the new easements are adjacent to or very close to land protected by MET easements, other state and local easement programs, or conservation land owned in fee by the State. Creating large clusters of easements that protect farmland, woodland and wildlife habitat is one of MET's priorities.

WESTERN REGION

JULY 1, 2003 - JUNE 30, 2004

During fiscal year 2004 Barbara Levin, Western Region Planner, recorded two new easements in the Western Region of the State.

Carla and Lawrence Glass protected their 186 acre Allegany County farm outside of Flintstone. The Glass Farm has significant frontage along Kifer Hollow Creek, a tributary of Fifteen Mile Creek. The farm's forested area contains Forest Interior Dwelling Bird Habitat and is also the home to Canada Honeysuckle, a state endangered species. This easement is co-held with the Potomac Conservancy.

Dinah Cottrell donated a conservation easement on her 39.5 acre property in Garrett County. The property, which is adjacent to New Germany State Park, is the home to several rare bird species, including the Harris' Checkerspot, Golden-crowned Kinglet, Redbreasted Nuthatch and Dark-eyed Junco. The farm includes 35 acres that are prime pasture land, which Ms. Cottrell intends to continue to pasture.

JULY 1, 2004 - JUNE 30, 2005

During fiscal year 2005 Barbara Levin, Western Region Planner, recorded six new easements in the Western Region of the State.

In Frederick County, the Newlin family, who placed conservation easements on several properties in New England, donated a conservation easement on their 21.5 acre Frederick County property. The property, located in the Catoctin Mountain Range, runs along Big Hunting Creek and is home to several rare and endangered species. The Newlins' daughter and son-in-law donated a

conservation easement on their 30.5 acre property abutting the Newlin property. Kent Ozkum and William Morrow donated a conservation easement on their 28 acre property outside of Emmitsburg. The easement protects Toms Creek and 14 acres of woodland. Mr. Ozkum and Mr. Morrow are renovating a historic log cabin and barn located on the property. All three Frederick County easements are co-held with the Catoctin Land Trust.

In Garrett County, Sharon and Rob Markwood donated a conservation easement on 227 acres of their property along Herrington Manor Road. The easement protects the Lick Run Creek, 50 acres of woodland, and 150 acres of active farmland dedicated to raising cattle and various crops.

Marthe and Bill Wilson sold a conservation easement on their historic property, which is contiguous to a block of 2,500 acres of land held through MALPF, MET and/or Rural Legacy. The property contains habitat for grassland breeding birds. The historic residence, built in 1790 with an 1830 addition, was used during the Civil War as headquarters for General McCellon and the Army of the Potomac and housed artillery reserves and supply wagons.

Under the ISTEA program Lee and Michael Devine sold an easement on their 10 acre property in Frederick County. The property is located on an intermountain valley adjacent to South Mountain. The historic residence, which was built in 1850, was used as a hospital while the property was the staging area of General Joseph Hooker's 1 Corps. A log cabin built in 1770 is also on the property.



SOUTHERN REGION

JULY 1, 2003 - JUNE 30, 2004

Southern Region Planner Diane Chasse recorded ten conservation easements during fiscal year 2004, protecting over 1,000 acres. Five of these easements are held jointly with local land trusts.

Two St. Mary's County landowners protected 340 acres, including an easement on 210 acres donated by Paul Facchina, Sr., which was his sixth easement to the Maryland Environmental Trust (MET). The second St. Mary's County landowner, the Chesapeake Bay Foundation, donated an easement on 130 acres to MET and the Patuxent Tidewater Land Trust. The forested property is protected by restrictions on harvesting trees and buffers Cat Creek, which empties into the Patuxent River less than a mile away.

In Charles County, Mr. Facchina donated his seventh easement, on 90 acres adjoining his Mt. Air Farm. With this easement, Mr. Facchina has become the first individual in Maryland history to preserve (by donation) over 1400 acres of land.

There were several other gifts in Charles County as well. These are co-held with the Conservancy for Charles County. Mr. Jim Stewart and his wife, Barbara, donated an easement on a spectacular 328-acre property, which they plan to use as a local getaway for themselves and their family, that overlooks Hilltop Run and the Nanjemoy Creek,. Nesting eagles are known to use the large trees on the property. Just upstream, Mr. Jim Hooper donated an easement on 78 wooded acres in the rural area of Pisgah, off Mason Spring Road (MD Route 425). Ward's Run travels south from this property and drains into Hilltop Run. To the east in Port Tobacco, Mr. Carl Baldus, Jr., donated an easement on 25 acres that lend to the protection of Port Tobacco River, which drains into the Potomac River. Continuing east and south, Mr. John Lenhart, Jr., and his wife, Mary Lou, donated an easement on 24 acres near Issue, in the southernmost area of Charles County. This property also buffers a waterway that drains into the Potomac River.

In addition to these gifts of conservation easements in Charles County, MET was given a generous gift of land from Tri-County Federal Savings Bank. The 16-acre property is located on Bryans Road, off Old Marshall Hall Road, and is entirely mature forest with a small non-tidal wetland.

In Prince George's County, Mary Zoeter protected her 170-acre property under a combined MET and Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program easement.

In northern Anne Arundel County, MET and the Magothy River Land Trust assisted Jim Kaper and Carol Tacket with the preservation of a pristine 3-acre property on Black Hole Creek, a tributary to the Magothy River. The property is adjacent to



Eagle Hill Bog, which is owned by the Scenic Rivers Land Trust and has been recognized by botanical experts as the least disturbed of Maryland's bogs. The bog's dominant plants are cranberry, leatherleaf, sundew, three-way sedge, pine-barrens rush, Virginia meadowbeauty, and white beakrush. In addition, Giant Canerush, a rare plant species, is on the Kaper and Tacket property.

JULY 1, 2004 - JUNE 30, 2005

In the 2005 fiscal year Diane recorded four conservation easements in the Southern Region, protecting over 510 acres. Three of the conservation easements were co-held with a local land trust.

Anne Arundel County had the largest donated easement on 312 acres, which came from an anonymous donor. This magnificent property has a historic home which overlooks the Chesapeake Bay. It also provides a scenic view from two rural roads. The landowner chose to restrict the size of the existing small secondary residences. The easement is co-held with the Maryland Historical Trust and the Scenic Rivers Land Trust. Also in Anne Arundel County, Wayson's Corner Associates, LLC, granted an easement on 20 acres, which adjoins the new Glendening Preserve in the southwestern corner of Anne Arundel county.

In Charles County, John Sites and Stephen West of Somerset Trading Development, LLC, placed 178 acres southeast of Smallwood State Park under conservation easement. This easement protects tributaries that lead to Nanjemoy Creek, which empties into the Potomac River. The easement is co-held with the Conservancy for Charles County.

In Prince George's County, Helen O'Leary donated an easement on 3 acres, co-held with Conservancy for Broad Creek, which is in the Broad Creek Historic District. She chose to limit the size of the small residence in order to maintain the scenic view from Livingston Road, which is the main road in the District.

EASTERN REGION

JULY 1, 2003 – JUNE 30, 2004

Eastern Region Planner John Hutson and three local land trust staff completed 12 donated conservation easements protecting a total of 1,386 acres. Eleven of these easements are held jointly with our local land trust partners – the Eastern Shore Land Conservancy, Chesapeake Wildlife Heritage and Lower Shore Land Trust.

Kent County was the leading county for new easements in the Eastern Region. The three new easements in the County cover 426 acres and are held jointly with the Eastern Shore Land Conservancy. West of Millington and along the upper Chester River, 224 acres of productive farmland, woodland and wildlife habitat were preserved early in the year. Dyer Creek, a tributary of the Sassafras River, is the scenic setting for a 50-acre easement north of Galena protecting a portion of the historic Colchester Farm. Buckingham Farm, a 152-acre nationally renowned Thoroughbred horse breeding operation with rolling pastures, fence lines, agricultural lands,

nesting eagles and an attractive manicured appearance, protects extensive vistas from Moronic Road and the Chester River.

In Dorchester County, south of Cambridge and fronting the Little Blackwater River, MET and the Chesapeake Wildlife Heritage preserved a 236-acre waterfront wildlife preserve where crop fields were converted to productive waterfowl ponds and the river frontage buffered with trees and

native grasses. Inland and near the town of Rhodesdale, a 22-acre historic farm, converted to a woodlot, became MET's first donated easement in northeastern Dorchester County.

In Talbot County, three easements totaling 316 acres conserved over 290 acres of productive forested habitat in the Island Creek, Tred Avon River and Miles River watersheds.

In northern Queen Anne's County, a 62-acre farm jointly held with the Eastern Shore Land Conservancy and consisting of wildfowl ponds, wooded hedgerows and productive agricultural soils was preserved along the scenic MD Route 213 corridor.

In Caroline County, a 175-acre working farm with wooded frontage along Marsh Creek, a Choptank River tributary, is located near and adjacent to several hundred acres of farmland protected through the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation (MALPF).

In Wicomico County, a 120-acre farm consisting of extensive managed woodland and wildfowl habitat protects scenic road frontage within the Quantico Creek Rural Legacy Focus Area.

In Worcester County, a 30-acre donation protects tidal marsh, wooded uplands and scenic vistas along the St. Martin's River.

JULY 1, 2004 - JUNE 30, 2005

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Somerset County is where James Myers and his family have been acquiring lands for hunting since the early 1970's. Jim, along with son Richard Myers and nephew James Daniell, donated a conservation easement on their 257 acres near Upper Fairmont and adjacent to DNR's Fairmont Natural Resource Management Area. The farm consists of 90 acres of high quality saltwater marsh, 6 acres of wildfowl ponds, tilled

lands managed for wildlife habitat, managed woodlands containing Forest Interior Dwelling Bird Species. It also protects frontage along the Manokin River and Big Gut.

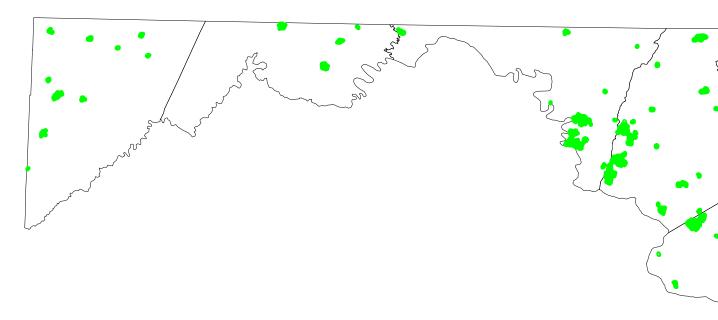
In Talbot County, the first of three adjacent donations was completed on a 30-acre property providing scenic vistas from local roads and a tributary of Island Creek. Down Bailey's Neck at Canterbury, a 143-acre wildfowl and woodland preserve may some day become

part of the County park system providing public access for nature study and passive recreation.

In Kent County and close to Buckingham Farm, a 157-acre donation protects Chester River tidal wetlands, 1.5 miles of scenic Chester River frontage as seen from the Chino Farms Rural Legacy Area, productive agricultural and woodland soils, and Bald Eagle habitat and is within close proximity to 1,150 acres protected by the MALPF. West of Chestertown along the upper portion of Fairlee Creek, a 34-acre easement property provides buffer protection to an adjacent 197-acre MALPF District farm and water quality protection to Fairlee Creek and the Chesapeake Bay.

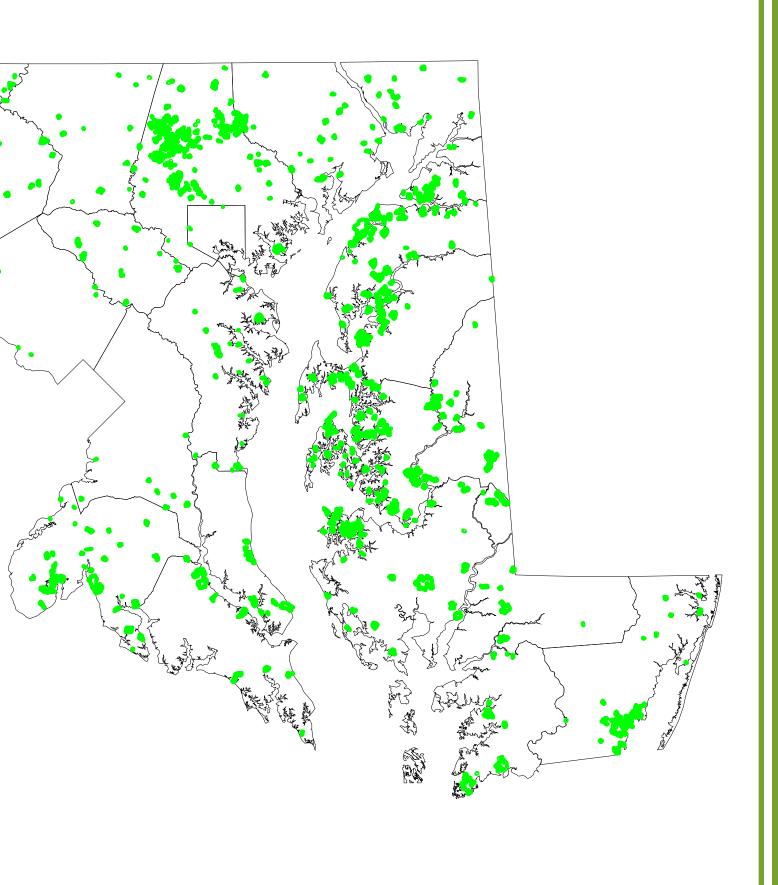
A secluded 25-acre forested preserve was the sole donation in Queen Anne's County. The property is characterized by steep wooded slopes, a perennial stream, a pond and some open areas maintained in seasonal gardens. Part of a large tract of adjacent woodlands, the property is located close to over 400 acres of protected lands.



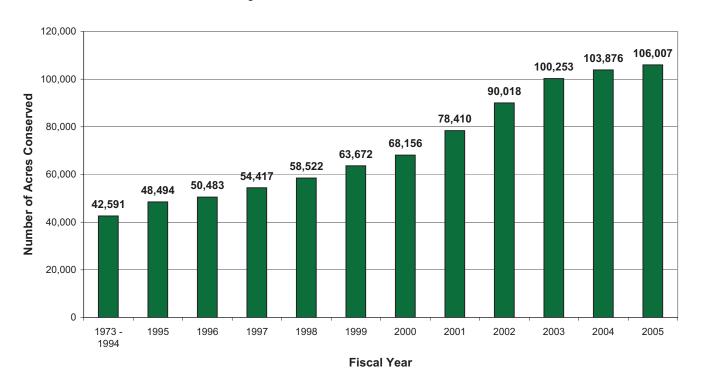


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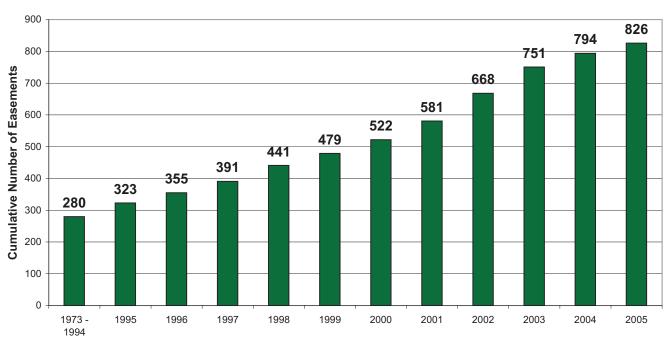




Maryland Environmental Trust Cumulative Number of Acres Preserved by Fiscal Year 1973 - 2005



Maryland Environmental Trust Cumulative Number of Conservation Easements by Fiscal Year 1973 - 2005



Stewardship and Monitoring Program

Calendar Years 2004 & 2005

2004 was the third year in which the stewardship and monitoring program had a full-time staff coordinator/easement monitor. In the last quarter, MET received assistance from Charlene Burton, a Volunteer Maryland part-time volunteer coordinator, who helped maintain the volunteer program. The program was improved by the acquisition of a slide scanner and a new printer, which have provenuseful in providing prints of scanned baseline photographs and letter-size aerial photographs of subject properties, which could be carried into the field. During this

year, a total of 142 easement properties were inspected for compliance with easement restrictions. Volunteers carried out 9 of these inspections.

The stewardship program continued to make steady headway in 2005. With assistance from private funding, MET was able to hire a summer intern, Bess Caplan, who monitored 34 easements in six weeks. Charlene continued to support our six volunteers and completed her service period in July. In the fall, part-time volunteer coordinator Megan Sines came on board, reinvigorating the volunteer

program. With increased support to the volunteers and increased efforts by MET Board Member Henry Baker, an additional 24 easements (1051 acres) were monitored. Governor's Fellow Adam Block also put in yeoman's work, monitoring 16 easements. Local land trusts contributed another 36 co-held easements monitored. In total, MET staff, interns, volunteers and local land trust staff inspected a record 196 easements and 29,678 acres of open space in 2005, equivalent to approximately 20% of total easements held and roughly 27% of acreage.



The Local Land Trust Assistance Program

The Local Land Trust Assistance Program, funded in part by the Coastal Zone Management Program within the Department of Natural Resources, offers a variety of services to local land trusts throughout Maryland. These services include:

- Technical and legal assistance in starting a land trust, including organizing a board of directors, drafting articles of
 incorporation and by-laws, filing for tax-exempt status, record keeping, establishing conservation strategies and
 criteria, and other formation tasks:
- Training for directors and staff in operating a land conservation organization and conducting land protection transactions, including Maryland-wide and Mid-Atlantic regional conferences;
- Holding conservation easements jointly with land trusts as Co-Grantee, allowing property owners who donate easements to both trusts to be eligible for all benefits available to MET donors; land trusts would also receive monitoring and enforcement assistance for these easements from MET and DNR's Office of the Attorney General; the cooperative agreement is also a legal requirement for participation in Maryland's Rural Legacy Program;
- Administrative grants from the Janice Hollmann Grant program for staff, office expenses, publications, landowner outreach, land transaction costs and other needs;
- Zero-interest loans from the Land Trust Grant Fund, a revolving fund established by Section 3-2A of the Natural Resources Code, for land acquisition, easement purchase and other land protection transactions; and
- Technical assistance publications, including MET's Land Trust Assistance Manual, standard easement processing forms, model easement documents, and an educational video on conservation easements for landowners.

Land Trust Grant Fund

The MET Land Trust Grant Fund (LTGF) was created by the Maryland Legislature in 1990 to provide interest-free loans to help local land trusts purchase conservation lands and easements. To date the LTGF has distributed over \$2.7 million in interest-free loans to land trusts throughout Maryland, working in cooperation on sixteen land conservation projects.

Maryland Land Trust Alliance

Maryland is home to over fifty local land trusts. These land trusts work together to protect land from development through the use of conservation easements, gifts or purchases of land, limited development, conservation buyers, or promotion of existing local, state, or Federal easement programs. The Maryland Environmental Trust (MET) assists citizen groups in the formation and operation of local land trusts by offering training, technical assistance, administrative grants and real estate acquisition loans, through membership in the Maryland Land Trust Alliance (MLTA), an informal association of national, state, regional and local land conservation organizations working in Maryland.

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Janice Hollmann Grant Program

The Janice Hollmann Grant Program is a commemorative program designed to honor the memory of the local environmental activist who exemplified citizen leadership of local land trusts in Maryland. Janice Hollmann co-founded the Severn River Land Trust and the Arundel Conservation Trust and served on the Severn River Commission. She was Izaac Walton League's Conservationist of the Year in 1989 and the Capital Newspaper's Person of the Year for 1990. Jan died of cancer in April 1990.

Through the Janice Hollmann Grant Program, awards are granted to local land trusts throughout Maryland to increase their educational and outreach activities in pursuit of conservation easement donations. These grants are usually targeted towards land trusts that demonstrate easement solicitation skills while operating in regions of significant land conservation potential. These grants may also be for operating expenses (e.g. staff, office, publications, etc.), landowner outreach, land transaction costs, and other needs.

CENTRAL REGION

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WESTERN REGION

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Keep Maryland Beautiful Program

The Maryland Environmental Trust's (MET's) Keep Maryland Beautiful Program, funded by the State Highway Administration, presents the Margaret Rosch Jones Award and the Bill James Environmental Grants to volunteer or non-profit groups who carry out environmental education projects.

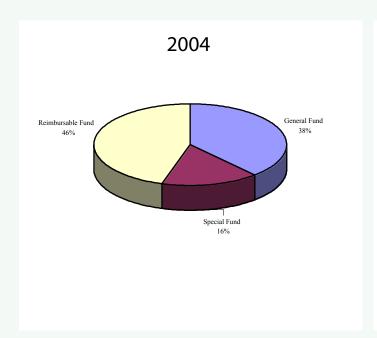
The Margaret Rosch Jones Award was established in 1976 and is given in Margaret Rosch Jones' memory to non-profit groups or communities that show continuing plans for a project that has already demonstrated a basic understanding and resolution of an environmental issue. Born in 1906, Margaret Jones was dedicated to the preservation of the Chesapeake Bay. She had a genius IQ, wrote poetry in her spare time, and was a self-taught Latin scholar. One of her "pet projects" was a statewide contest with prizes for winner of gasoline station inspections. Margaret was the executive director and moving spirit of the Keep Maryland Beautiful Program for many years. MET hopes to remind citizens of her devotion, energy, and ingenuity by presenting an award

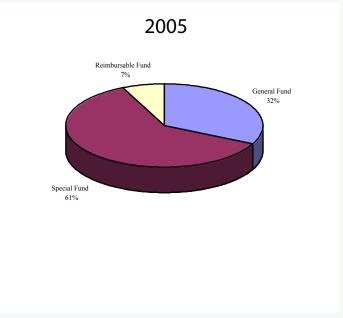
in her name of up to \$2000 to a group whose voluntary activities personify those attributes that Margaret Jones brought to her work.

The Bill James Environmental Grants are given in memory of William S. James and are grants of up to \$1000 for proposed environmental education projects by school groups, science and ecology clubs, and other non-profit youth groups. Born in Aberdeen, MD, in 1914, Bill James studied law at the University of Maryland and then practiced law in Bel Air, MD, for 38 years. He served as President of the Maryland Senate and as such was the principal architect of many of Maryland's most important environmental laws, including wetlands law, Program Open Space, and agricultural land preservation. Bill James drafted legislation to create the Maryland Environmental Trust, incorporating the activities of the Governor's Committee to Keep Maryland Beautiful. He was a man of vision who will not be forgotten for his contributions to the betterment of Maryland's environment.

2004-05 MET Financial Statements

	FISCAL YEAR 2004 APPROPRIATION	FISCAL YEAR 2005 APPROPRIATION
Number of Authorized Positions	10.5	10.5
Number of Contractual Positions	0.5	0.5
Salaries and Fringe Benefits	\$59,7512	\$591,890
Operating Expenses	\$66,639	\$77,716
Land Trust Grant Fund	\$700,000	\$1,000,000
Total Appropriation	\$1,364,151	\$1,669,606
Fund Sources		
General Fund	\$522,894	\$535,832
Special Fund	\$224,093	\$1,018,335
Reimbursable Fund	\$617,164	\$115,439
Total Appropriation	\$1,364,151	\$1,669,606





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It is our task in our time and in our generation, to us, as was handed down to us by those who went



hand down undiminished to those who come after before, the natural wealth and beauty which is ours.

- John F. Kennedy



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