



FY19

ANNUAL REPORT

July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019



Protecting Land Forever



The Maryland Environmental Trust (MET or Trust) 2019 Annual Report is prepared and submitted to the Governor and General Assembly, pursuant to the requirements of the Natural Resources Article, §3-203.10.

MET was established by the Maryland General Assembly in 1967 as a charitable organization with state support and funding, with an independent Board of Trustees. In 1969, the Trust was assigned to the Maryland Department of Natural Resources for organizational purposes.

For five decades, the Trust has worked with the citizens of Maryland and partner organizations to foster the appreciation and conservation of scenic open space, natural areas, and working farmlands across the state. With one of the largest portfolios of preservation and conservation easements in the nation, the Trust is a leader in its field. The Trust is responsible for perpetually stewarding these sites, some of Maryland's most iconic and culturally significant landscapes and properties.

CONSERVATION EASEMENT PROGRAM

Conservation easements - their negotiation, acquisition, recordation, and stewardship - is a central part of the Maryland Environmental Trust's work. Easements that are donated by private landowners are the primary mechanism by which the Trust works to accomplish its mission of preserving open space throughout the state of Maryland.



940 acres conserved in FY19



13 conservation easements granted



72 acres - average size of a MET easement



6 counties where easements were granted



1 amendment increases conservation benefits to an existing MET easement

MET FY19 Easement by County:

Anne Arundel

Baltimore

Howard

Kent

Montgomery

Wicomico



STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM

The stewardship process consists of activities essential to the long-term care of the land and sustaining landowner relationships, for every easement, in perpetuity. MET staff and volunteers provide vital landowner support in many areas. These include regular site visits to properties under easement; identifying funding and technical assistance to help landowners who wish to engage in voluntary stewardship programs; interpreting owners' reserved rights to ensure easement purposes are upheld; maintaining documentation and records that will support ongoing management and support, and upholding the public trust when necessary to correct easement violations, preferably through voluntary action by the landowner with counsel and guidance from the Office of the Attorney General.



136,268 acres preserved



1,107 conservation easements



597 easements co-held with
local land trusts



716 monitoring reports completed
by MET staff, MET volunteers, and
local land trusts



79,403 acres monitored



VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

The Volunteer Program extends the outreach and presence of the Trust within the Stewardship Program with the support of donated funds. Volunteer Land Stewards represent the Trust, schedule visits, meet landowners, share stewardship ideas, and document changes to help preserve the conservation values that make these lands special.



61 long-term certified MET volunteers



35 Maryland Conservation Corps volunteers



335 hours donated by volunteers (in office and in the field)



16,548 acres monitored



144 volunteer field monitoring reports reviewed and filed



\$3,383 value of time donated

LAND TRUST ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

MET serves as the statewide land trust. Local land trusts, of which there are 41 in Maryland, work with and are assisted by the Trust. The Land Trust Assistance Program helps build and sustain the quality and effectiveness of the state's land trusts, and encourages participation in a number of national programs, such as the Land Trust Alliance's Standards and Practices, and the Land Trust Accreditation Commission.



173 registrants from 94 organizations attended the annual conference, pictured at right.



41 local land trusts supported by MET



2 roundtables and workshops held for technical support and training in best practices for land trusts and conservation partners



KEEP MARYLAND BEAUTIFUL PROGRAM

In FY19 \$215,505 In Grant Money Distributed

The functions and activities of the Governor's Committee to Keep Maryland Beautiful were transferred to the Maryland Environmental Trust in 1967; it was the first program administered by the Trust. The Trust has awarded Keep Maryland Beautiful grants annually for decades. This program is funded by MET, the Maryland Department of Transportation and the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development.

Grants through the Keep Maryland Beautiful program help volunteer-based, nonprofit groups, communities and land trusts in Maryland support environmental education projects, litter removal, citizen stewardship and the protection of natural resources in urban and rural areas throughout the state.



- ❖ 71 nonprofits, schools, organizations, land trusts and municipalities received grants
- ❖ 19 counties and two major cities (Baltimore and Washington, D.C.) were home to organizations that received grants
- ❖ 48 Clean Up & Green Up Maryland awards totaled \$158,005
- ❖ 10 Janice Hollmann land trust grants totaled \$40,000
- ❖ 7 M.R. Jones grants totaled \$8,250
- ❖ 5 Bill James grants totaled \$4,250
- ❖ 1 Aileen Hughes grant totaled \$5,000

MET Financial Statement July 1, 2018-June 30, 2019

State Administered Funds

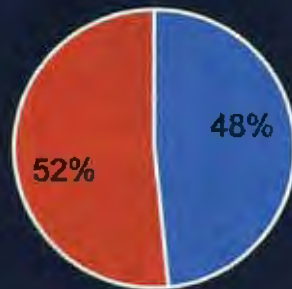
Number of Authorized Positions	8
Number of Contractual Positions	2
Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits	\$790,481
Total Operating Expenses (including contractual services, grants, communications, travel, equipment, supplies and materials)	\$568,704

Total Expenditure \$1,359,185

FUND SOURCES

Net General Funds	\$657,827
**Reimbursable Funds	\$701,358

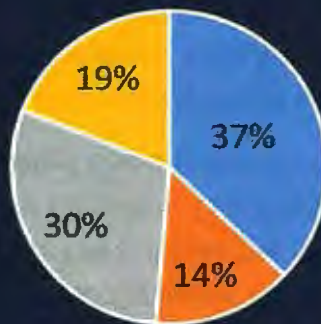
TOTAL \$1,359,185



Net General Funds
Reimbursable Funds

** Reimbursable Funds

Civil War Trust	\$259,624
Coastal Zone Management	\$100,729
Keep Maryland Beautiful	\$208,005
Program Open Space	\$133,000
Total	\$701,358



Civil War Trust
Coastal Zone Management
Keep Maryland Beautiful
Program Open Space

SUPPORT AND REVENUES

Contributions & Grants	\$116,610
MLTA Conference	\$44,395
Investment Income, net	\$116,650
Other Revenues	\$317,000

TOTAL REVENUES \$594,655

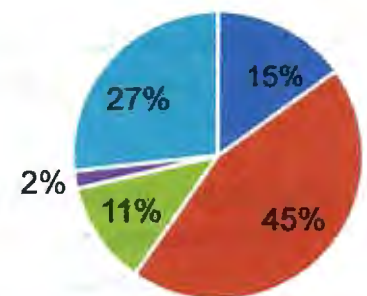


Contributions & Grants
MLTA Conference
Investment Income, net
Other Revenues

EXPENSES

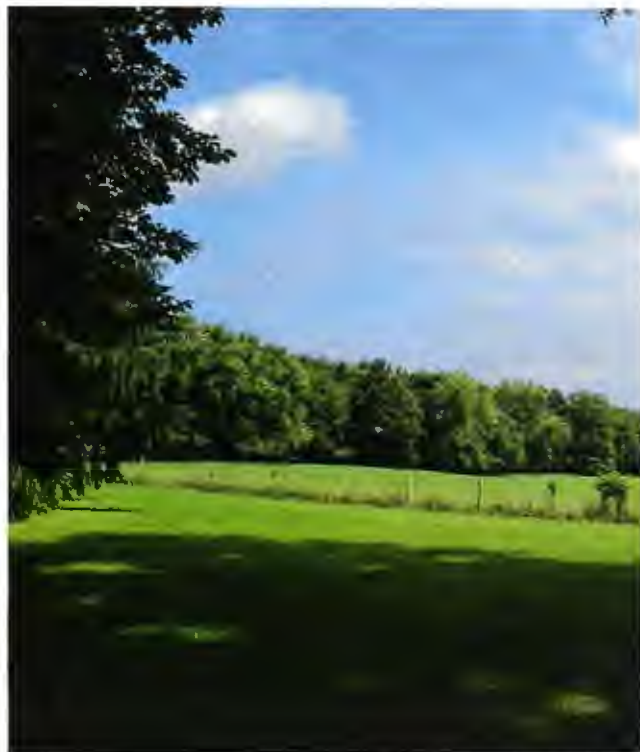
LLT Education Program	\$58,141
Outreach Program	\$172,478
Stewardship Program	\$44,801
Awards & Grants	\$7,500
Expenses	\$103,028

TOTAL EXPENSES \$385,948



LLT Education Program
Outreach Program
Stewardship Program
Awards & Grants
Administrative Expenses

CHANGE IN NET ASSETS \$208,707



CONTRIBUTORS

(July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019)

Conservation Champion \$10,000+

The estate of Alverta and Louisa Dillon
Estate of Virginia T. Merryman
The estate of Sarah Griggs
The Helena Foundation

Environmental Benefactor \$5,000-\$9,999

Anne Arundel County Government
Dr. Wilson and Mrs. Nancy Coudon
The Perry J. Bolton Trust

Open Space Guardian \$1,000-\$4,999

Anonymous
Gary and Darlene Carver
Mr. and Mrs. Mark C. Collins
Gerret Copeland
Ms. Louisa C. Duemling
Deborah B. English
Joe and Cindy Galli
Donald and Ingrid Graham
Theodore and Joan Hoffman *in memory John Hutson*
L'Aiglon Foundation
Thomas Lloyd
George Murnaghan
Jim O'Connell
Mr. & Mrs. James Riepe
Tod and Barry Salisbury
Mr. David Smith
Tod and Jennifer Stanley
Michaeline Yaffe

Habitat Hero \$500-\$999

Ethan Assal
James Christhilf
Ms. Iva Louise Gillet
Mr. and Mrs. David Greene
Mr. Royce Hanson
Tim and Julie Hussman
Mrs. Francis Iglehart Jr.

Habitat Hero \$500-\$999 (continued)

Mr. William and Ms. Phylis Kilby
MacArthur Foundation
The Honorable S. Jay Plager
Holly Stone
Matthew Stover
Mr. William Trimble Jr.
Alisa Webb

Land Supporter \$100-\$499

Frank and Christina Allen
Martha Clark Chet & Paula Anderson
Anonymous
Mr. Scott and Ms. Carol Bartram
John and Marjorie Blodgett
Nelson Bortz
Mr. David Bramble
Ms. Marney S. Bruce
Mary Burke
Paul and Virginia Burke *in memory of John Hutson*
Gary Burnett
Bruce and Mary-Lynne Campbell
Cat Carter
Mr. and Mrs. Burnet H. Chalmers
Hamilton Chaney
Jeffrey and Elaine Christ
Diana Conway *in honor of Jim O'Connell*
Nessly Craig
Bill and Sarah D'Alonzo
Dick D'Amato
Hal and Nancy Delaplane
Mr. James and Ms. Laurie Draper
ExxonMobil Foundation
Mr. Alex Fisher
Nikki and Sam Forry
Mrs. Ruann George
Richard Gold

CONTRIBUTORS

(July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019)

Land Supporter \$100-\$499 (Continued)

Greg and Donna Greisman *in memory of Janet Greisman*

Melanie Hartwig-Davis

James Highsaw

Ronnie Hay and Richard Hill

Mr. Charles A. Porter Hopkins and Patricia L. Hopkins

David Husselbee *in honor of Julie Sweeney*

Kenneth Ingham

Larry and Nancy Isaacson

Jack Burbage Foundation

Mr. Thomas Jeffers and Ms. Elizabeth Murray

Mr. Charles Jolly

Mrs. Ellen Kelly

Ms. Barbara B. Knapp

William Leahy

Ms. Constance Lieder

Jim Lyons

George and Beth Murnaghan

Mr. and Mrs. William Newlin

Mr. & Mrs. Nelson Offutt

Renae Oliver

Helene Perry

Claudia Pleasants

Royden N. Powell III *in memory of Mike Pretl*

Mike Pretl

Walter D. Ramberg

Mr. William Rowland

Mr. Harold Scrimgeour

Mr. Simon Sidamon-Eristoff

Rev. Caroline and Mr. William Stewart

Helen Tangires *in honor of Ellie Kelly*

Dr. Sarah Taylor-Rogers

The Brick Companies

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Van Fossan, Jr.

Ms. Gita van Heerden

Mr. Eileen and Harry V. Webster Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Thacher W. White

Mr. Douglas and Mrs. Margaret Worrall

Bonny and Alan Wright

Friend \$10-\$99

The Aybar Family

Gloria Blevins

Ron Boyer and Liz McDowell

Ms. Kimberlee Buhrman

Jonathan Chapman *in memory of Dick Lahn and in memory of John Hutson*

Mr. James Choukas-Bradley

Dr. and Mrs. Gaylord Clark

Matthew Crawford

Carrie Dike

Terry Dunkin

Ms. Georgia L. Eacker

Mr. William Eaton

Laura Galke *in memory of Wayne William Galke*

Mr. Darryl Harris

Melanie Healy-Marquis *in memory of Wayne William Galke*

Mark Hoffman

Barbara Hopkins

Mr. David Hutzell

Kristen Orff Maneval

Mrs. Laurie Marquess

Charles Nicolson

Nika Ouellette *in memory of John Hudson*

Ms. Catherine A. Patton

Ms. Nancy Roberts

Matthew Schneider

Werner Schumann

Mr. Benjamin Tilghman, Jr.

Cathy Tipper

John S. Weske

Ms. Kathleen White

Ms. Michaeline and Mr. Samuel Yaffe

Open Space Legacy Society

Dr. and Mrs. Gary P. Carver

Ms. Constance J. Lieder

The Honorable S. Jay Plager

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Schmaljohn

2019 Conference & Symposium Sponsors

American Battlefield Trust

Brown Advisory

Mark Burke

Major Gary Burnett

Carter Global

Chesapeake Conservancy

Martha Ann Clarke

Richard D'Amato

Terry Dunkin

Senator Adelaide C. Eckardt

Ecosystem Investment Partners

Ecotone, Inc.

GreenTrust Alliance, Inc.

Philip R. Hager

Mark Hoffman

L'Aiglon Foundation

Land Trust Alliance

Toby Lloyd

Maryland Agriculture & Resource Based-Industry Development Corporation

Maryland Association of Counties

Maryland Historical Trust

MidAtlantic Farm Credit

James O'Connell

Rural Maryland Council

Dr. Sarah Taylor-Rogers

The Helena Foundation

Trust for Public Land

Conservation Easement Grantors

Veronica A. Cassilly & Carey M. Marzicola

Linda May Egolf Revocable Trust

Philip D. English and Deborah B. English

Expressway Corporation

Langford West, LLC

Scott G. McGill & Moira M. McGill

Gregory J. Milmoie & Dolores G. Milmoie

John M. Oliver and Renae A. Oliver

Michael B. Phillips

Skyist Enterprises, LLC

Oda Von Berg Revocable Trust

Michael Thomas Wharton

Samuel Yaffe and Michaeline M. Yaffe



PARTNERS



Helena Foundation
James and Sylvia Earl





**Maryland
Environmental
Trust**

100 Community Place | Third Floor
Crownsville, MD 21032-2023
Phone: 410-697-9515
dnr.maryland.gov/met



Protecting Land Forever