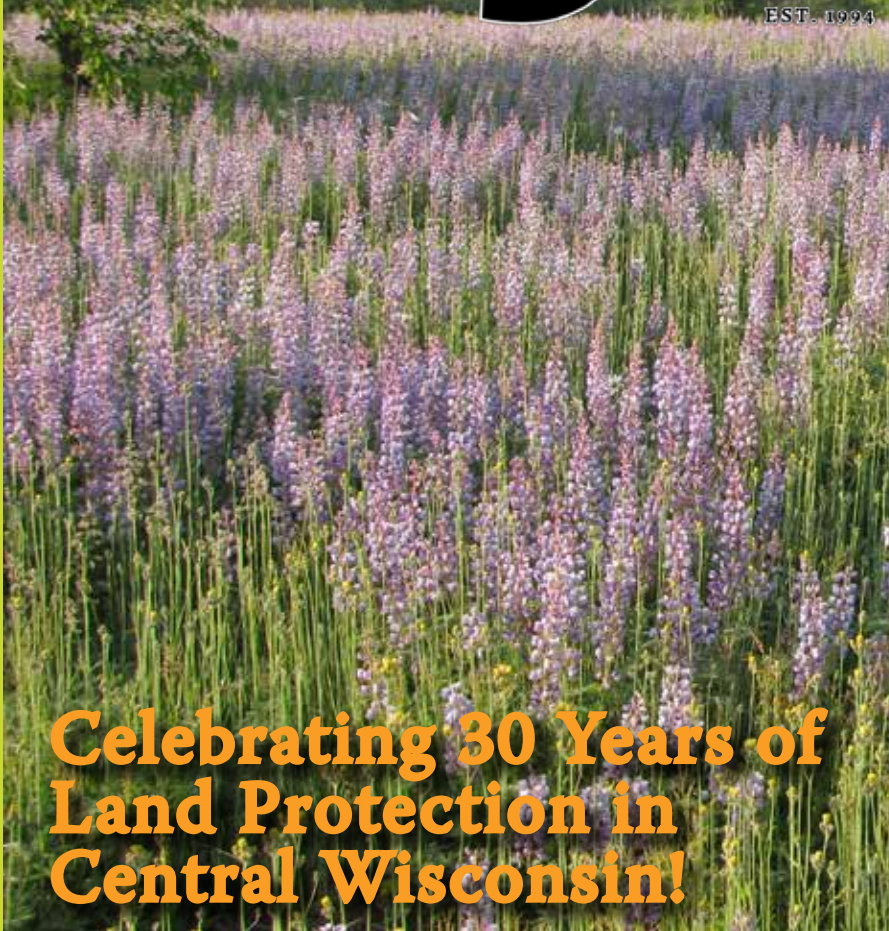




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Celebrating 30 Years of Land Protection in Central Wisconsin!

Lupine at the Fadner-Otalora Easement.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Jill Falstad

Hello and happy spring to everyone! As you will read in this newsletter, this is an exciting time at NCCT, with many wonderful and positive things happening. After a rigorous and lengthy application process, NCCT has been awarded National Accreditation signifying that our land trust meets the highest standards of responsible governance, sound finances, ethical conduct, and lasting stewardship. We are thrilled to receive this national designation!



We are also celebrating our 30th anniversary this year, an important milestone in our history! Another recent accomplishment: NCCT now has over 5,000 acres of land permanently protected by conservation easements. There is so much to celebrate!

By the time you read this newsletter, I expect we will have completed our newest conservation easement, forever protecting 30 acres of beautiful forest land along the Big Eau Pleine River in Marathon County. The history of this property is described on the website of the Village of Stratford, which indicates that pre-European settlement, several Native American tribes called this area home, including Chippewa, Winnebago, and Potawatomi. Pristine hardwood and pine trees once dominated the Stratford area. Before 1871, the western side of Marathon County was undisturbed. Logging operations and settlements then moved in.

In 1881, Rev. William Steinaker was captivated by this scenic area and eventually established a church. In 1886, 40 acres of land were acquired and by 1889, a church was built. Through ups and downs and various challenges, the church and congregation remained there for 140 years. The church building was recently sold. The congregation, though, sought to protect the adjoining 30-acre forest property first. Why?

In speaking with two members of the congregation, they spoke of the spiritual, rejuvenating, and peaceful values of this land. They shared memories of times when members went into this beautiful, quiet land to give thanks, cry for joy or sorrow, pray, contemplate life, to be inspired, or just to listen to the sounds of nature.

When a few of us from NCCT went to walk this property and heard these stories, we instantly understood. We saw where eagles had nested,

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FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

By Chris Radford

First and foremost, let's all give a big round of applause to the landowners in Marathon County who recently protected their 30-acre property, including a quarter mile of shoreline, with a conservation easement! Thank you for this incredible gift! We welcome you to NCCT's family of conservation easement donors. What a great way to celebrate Earth Day!



There are so many things to be thankful for as we look forward to another exciting year at NCCT. In 2024 we celebrate 30 years of conservation with this wonderful organization. During this time we have worked together to permanently protect over 5,000 acres; secure ownership of several properties in the interest of public benefit, recreation, and environmental stewardship; and on top of all that, NCCT was recently recognized as a nationally accredited land trust!

These milestones were achieved over the course of 30 years by all of you who ARE the North Central Conservancy Trust. Dedicated landowners, volunteers, community members, staff, and partners who have come together in pursuit of conservation. I am honored to be a part of this tradition, one that brings us all together in pursuit of protecting our environment, and all the plants, animals, and communities that benefit from these important endeavors. A mission of incredible magnitude and importance, together we are dedicated to protecting these wonderful resources for future generations.

As we continue to uphold our obligations to steward and protect more land and we look forward to another 30 years of incredible work at NCCT, please be sure to take a look at the Annual Fund section of this newsletter to learn more about all of the different ways you can support our incredibly important mission, and know that we are thankful for all of your ongoing support, past, present, and future, that have made these accomplishments possible.

In addition to ongoing stewardship activities at NCCT properties, we are in the process of planting trees and shrubs this spring to support biodiversity and wildlife habitat at our property north of Bukolt Park. In celebration of Earth Day, I encourage you to come out and plant with us or consider a special gift to NCCT in honor of Earth Week!

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CELEBRATING THIRTY YEARS!

By Becky Wadleigh

In 1994, the City of Wausau proposed the construction of a new municipal sewer line that would have run through 21 acres of forested property owned by D.J. and Mary Clare Freeman. Like many of you, the Freemans loved their land and wanted to protect it from degradation. With support from their neighbor, Jane Raymond-Wood, and the Lakeland Conservancy, the Freemans protected their property with a conservation easement (now held by NCCT). This small group gained new volunteers who were interested in land protection, and in 1996 they formed the original North Central Conservancy Trust!

In early 1999, a different exploratory group began meeting at the College of Natural Resources at UWSP to discuss the development of a land trust in central Wisconsin. In some notes they referred to themselves as the “Central Wisconsin Land Trust,” though the name didn’t stick long term. Later that spring, they attended a regional meeting facilitated by Gathering Waters, along with NCCT from Wausau, the Northeast WI Land Trust, and others. Soon after, a merger between NCCT and the Stevens Point-based group was suggested.

In the summer of 1999, the groups made the merger official, expanded their joint board of directors to 11 members, and established the standing committees that still serve NCCT today! NCCT’s first mission was to, “preserve worthy natural resources of north central Wisconsin for future generations in partnership with landowners.” They worked in Marathon, Portage, Adams, and Wood Counties.

NCCT hired Jo Seiser as its first executive director in 2007, and has since been served by three successive fantastic directors: Betsy Kerlin,



Mary Clare Freeman (r) leads a walk at the Mumford conservation easement property in 2004.

Janet Smith, and Chris Radford. With the help of former board member, David Worth, NCCT moved into its first office space at The Worth Company in 2013. At that point, the organization had protected nearly 3,000 acres of land.

In 2019 NCCT gained its first two nature preserves: Mumford (donation), and the Bukolt properties.

With the support of many of you, NCCT moved into its first full office building in 2020, the former DNR Ranger Station in Whiting, where the office remains! NCCT’s most recent nature preserve, Suszko Ridge, was donated by Harry and Lisa Suszko in 2021.

Today, three decades after NCCT’s grassroots start, the organization has had the fortunate opportunity to work with more than 60 landowners in our now eight-county service area, protecting more than 5,000 acres of land. NCCT has been served by many dedicated board members, committee members, and volunteers. There isn’t a more perfect way to celebrate these milestones than national Land Trust Alliance accreditation! On behalf of NCCT, thank you for all that you do to make this important work possible. Cheers to the next 30 years!



Former executive director, Betsy Kerlin (center), poses with conservation easement landowners (l-r) Rick & Sarah Wilke, Anne Meronk, and Susan Gingrasso & Doug Henderson at the 2014 Annual Dinner.



Former executive directors Jo Seiser & Janet Smith with current director, Chris Radford at the 2023 Annual Dinner. Photo by Mike LeClair.

NCCT EARNS NATIONAL ACCREDITATION

By NCCT Staff and Jill Falstad

We are thrilled to share the exciting news that North Central Conservancy Trust is now a nationally accredited land trust! Accreditation has been a decades-long pursuit for NCCT—the topic first appeared in meeting minutes in 2010! Now, after years of preparation, we are joining a network of over 450 accredited land trusts across the nation and 20 in Wisconsin that have demonstrated a commitment to professional excellence and to maintaining the public’s trust in our work. Accredited land trusts steward almost 20 million acres of land across the country and hundreds of thousands of acres in Wisconsin!

Accreditation is awarded to land trusts meeting the highest national standards for excellence and conservation permanence. Each accredited land trust completes a rigorous review process and joins a network of organizations united by strong ethical practices. This trusted network of land trusts has demonstrated fiscal accountability, strong organizational leadership, sound transactions and lasting stewardship of the lands they conserve.

The Land Trust Accreditation Commission is an independent program of the Land Trust Alliance. The volunteers who serve on the Commission represent a diverse group of land conservation and nonprofit management experts from around the country. For more information, please visit landtrustaccreditation.org

“We are grateful to all of you who made this possible, especially the landowners who have worked with NCCT over the years to permanently protect their properties, along with all NCCT’s dedicated volunteers, Board and Committee members, supporters, staff, and community partners who contributed to this effort. Thank you!”

—E.D. Chris Radford and Board President, Jill Falstad

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- ETHICAL CONDUCT
- RESPONSIBLE GOVERNANCE
- LASTING STEWARDSHIP

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NCCT WELCOMES MORGAN TO THE TEAM!

Hello, my name is Morgan! I joined the NCCT team in January of 2024 as the Land Protection Assistant through a semester-long internship that will end in May of this year. I am a junior at UW-Stevens Point in the Conservation & Community Planning major with minors in GIS & Spatial Analysis and Business Administration. I grew up just outside of Milwaukee, Wisconsin in New Berlin. I am incredibly grateful for this opportunity to dive deeper into the world of conservation and to boost my skills through this internship. I love having the opportunity to influence land conservation in the central sands, which is so important. Outside of NCCT, I am a Senior Airman in the Wisconsin Air National Guard as well as the president and co-founder of the Environmental & Conservation Planning Club at UW-Stevens Point. In my free time, I love reading, walking around Schmeckle Reserve, and playing volleyball.



This semester, I have completed a few tasks at NCCT such as updating the eight-county service area maps using my background in ArcGIS Pro. Additionally, I have been adding key information into Landscape, a software program that tracks the land that NCCT conserves. Through these projects and others, I am learning a great deal about the role of NCCT in our community, and I am even more passionate about conservation than before (which I didn’t even think was possible!) I am excited to continue learning and assisting NCCT in any way that I can!



UPDATE FROM THE OUTREACH DEPARTMENT

By Becky Wadleigh

By now you know that 2024 is off to a great start for NCCT! Following that, I am happy to report that we entered 2024 with 191 household members, and since the beginning of the year we've gained 9 new members—welcome! This direct support is NCCT's largest source of funding, and central to our success. Thank you so much for being here!



In preparing for this newsletter, I did some digging into our archived newsletters and found that around 2010, NCCT had an average of 210 members a year. In a 2011 newsletter, the board set a goal of increasing membership by 15%, or 32 households. That idea got me curious: can we harness the exciting momentum that NCCT has been building and add 32 new members by the end of 2024? I have no doubt! You can help by sharing your newsletter with a friend and telling them why you support NCCT!

In other exciting news, NCCT was recently awarded a grant from the Community Foundation of Central Wisconsin to install a small parking area at the Suszko Ridge Preserve, providing safer access off Blackhawk Road for Preserve visitors. Thank you, CFCWI!

2024 EVENTS

- **Earth Day Tree Planting**, Bukolt Mainland Property: Monday, 4/22, 5-7 p.m.
Celebrate Earth Day with NCCT by helping to plant seedlings at NCCT's property north of Bukolt Park in Stevens Point. This is a community event! No pre-registration required.
- You'll find us exhibiting at the:
 - UWSP EENA Eco-Fair**: Wednesday, 4/24, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
 - Taylor County Maple Festival**: Saturday, 4/27, 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m.
 - MREA Energy Fair**: Saturday, 6/22, all day
 - Wonderful Water Run**: Friday 9/27 & Saturday, 9/28
- Stay tuned as plans develop for invasive species and other volunteer workdays, spring programming, a Summer Celebration & Open House at NCCT's Office, and interpretive hikes in celebration of Land Trust Days during July, August, or September!


Subscribe to NCCT's e-newsletter or check our website for updates and additional events!

SUPPORT NCCT IN 2024: THE ANNUAL FUND

Last spring we rolled out NCCT's new Annual Fund, which outlines the eight giving programs that support NCCT's mission: membership, honorary gifts, endowment, planned giving, The Ranger Fund, business sponsorship, grants, and special events. NCCT's members are the core of the Annual Fund. To continue our strong start in 2024, we need your support!

\$5,000 for 5,000 Acres Earth Week Match Challenge

Celebrate NCCT's recent milestone of 5,000 acres protected by making a special gift to our Earth Week Match Challenge Fundraiser and help raise a total of \$10,000 to support land protection in central Wisconsin! In honor of our milestone, NCCT received a generous \$5,000 pledge from an anonymous donor. During Earth Week, every dollar you donate (up to \$5,000) will be matched! Why Earth Week? It's our favorite holiday, and an annual event to demonstrate support for environmental protection. Donate online at www.ncctwi.org/donate or by mail using the insert included with your newsletter!

 NCCT ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP			
LAND PROTECTORS CIRCLE		GENERAL MEMBERS	
Fellow	\$5,000+	Sustainer	\$250-499
Guardian	\$2,500-4,999	Key Donor	\$100-249
Trustee	\$1,000-2,499	Preserver	\$50-99
Protector	\$500-999	Individual	\$1-49

The Land Protectors Circle

Last spring we introduced the Land Protectors Circle, a new annual gift society for members giving \$500 or more to NCCT each year. The Land Protectors Circle was established to recognize and thank members whose contributions are helping to provide resources to support NCCT's short-term and long-range goals. Special thanks to our 38 Land Protector Circle donors of 2023, *who are recognized in the back of this newsletter!*

WINTER, TAPPED OUT

By Jeremy Solin, NCCT Board Member

During a typical February weekend, we're starting to prepare our equipment and materials for tapping and the upcoming maple syrup season. This year though, for the first time ever, we tapped trees and already produced our first maple syrup in February. We tap trees and make syrup at the base of the glacial moraine in Langlade County where my family has owned and cared for land since the early 1900s. I think it's safe to say this is the first time syrup has ever been made there in February. Until about a couple decades ago, the season usually started in early April, but it's been getting progressively earlier since then.

Despite the early and chaotic start, it's been a pretty good year so far. As in typical seasons, migratory birds have been returning, and slumbering mammals awaken during the syrup season. I saw my first Eastern chipmunk on March 1. The American Robins, Red-winged Blackbirds, and Common Grackles arrived a couple days before the Sandhill Cranes earlier this month. And, now the second wave of migrants including Eastern Bluebirds and Song Sparrows are arriving. It likely won't be long before the Yellow-bellied Sapsuckers (the other maple tappers) and Eastern Phoebes arrive, and soon the strong scent of onion will permeate the forest while we're collecting sap. This is one of the things I absolutely love about the maple-syrup season: observing the forest come alive over the course of several weeks.

One of the most apparent, and disturbing, characteristics of this spring is how dry it is. With little snowfall this past "winter" and very little precipitation over the past month, the ponds on our



land are several feet below normal summer levels. Even the swamp that sits at the edge of our sugarbush is dry. I've never seen that in the spring before. With a potentially long growing season ahead and dry conditions

(and predicted warm summer), I'm worried about the health of our maple trees and all the other species in the forest. Hopefully we'll get some rain (or snow) this spring to diminish those concerns.

As always, maple-syrup season is an amazing (although early) time to be in the woods. I'm grateful for the sap the maple trees share with us and for the opportunity to get to participate in the forest's awakening each spring. And, I'm hopeful that generations to come will get to enjoy these same experiences on this land.

Jeremy Solin and his wife, Abi, co-own Tapped Maple Syrup. Jeremy works for UW-Madison Division of Extension, and joined NCCT's Board of Directors in the fall of 2023.

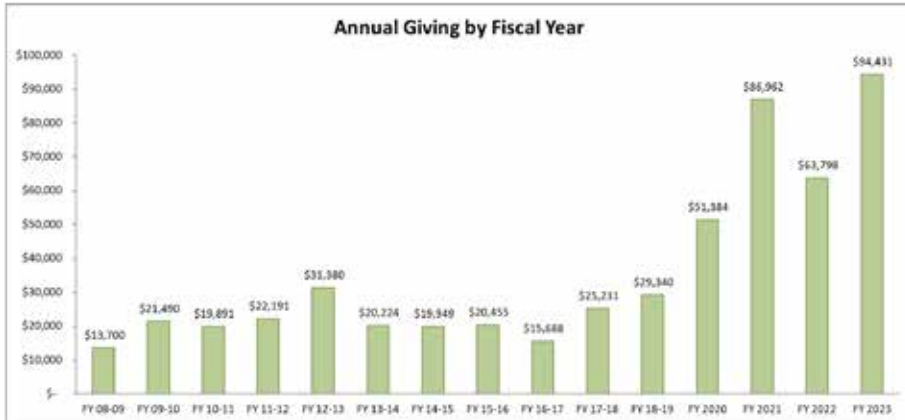
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felt the majesty of the towering old trees, and heard the gurgling sounds of the Big Eau Pleine River streaming by. We understood their motivation to forever protect this sacred and beautiful woodland. We all know places like this because nature heals, soothes, and inspires all of us. That is why we do this work. It is an honor to work with landowners to fulfill their vision of protecting these valuable lands.

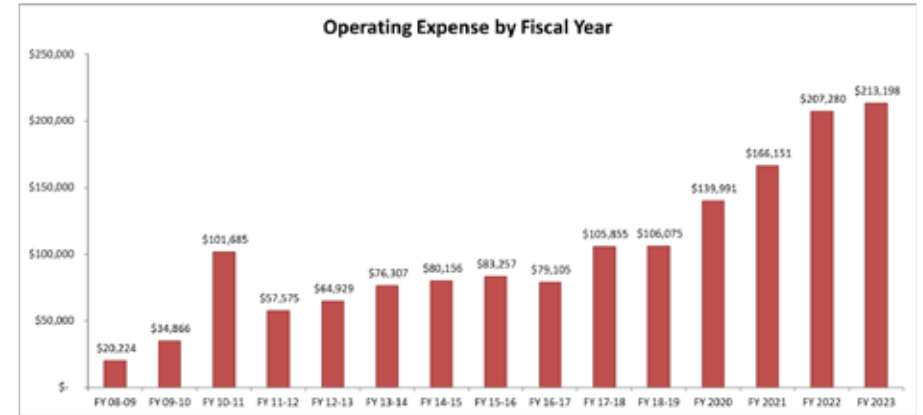
This is our mission, one we share with each of you: to conserve the natural heritage of Central Wisconsin through the protection of land. As we reflect on all that has been accomplished over these past 30 years, we celebrate those who have come before us, and each of you for helping to protect over 5,000 acres of forests, prairies, streams, shoreline, farmland, wetlands, and more. We are truly grateful. Please join us this year at events held on some of the properties we own—Suszko Ridge, Mumford Preserve, and NCCT's property near Bukolt Park—as we celebrate the beauty of nature and the joy of building this legacy with each of you.

Do your legacy plans (estate plans, bequests, retirement, etc.) include North Central Conservancy Trust? *Please let us know!*
Contact Chris Radford, Executive Director,
edncct@gmail.com or call 715-344-1910.

NCCT 2023 ANNUAL REPORT



Note: FY 2020 through FY 2023 were significantly higher than previous years due to increased membership and increased generosity from NCCT members and supporters. This graph does not include grant awards, which amounted to an additional \$57,636 in FY 2023.

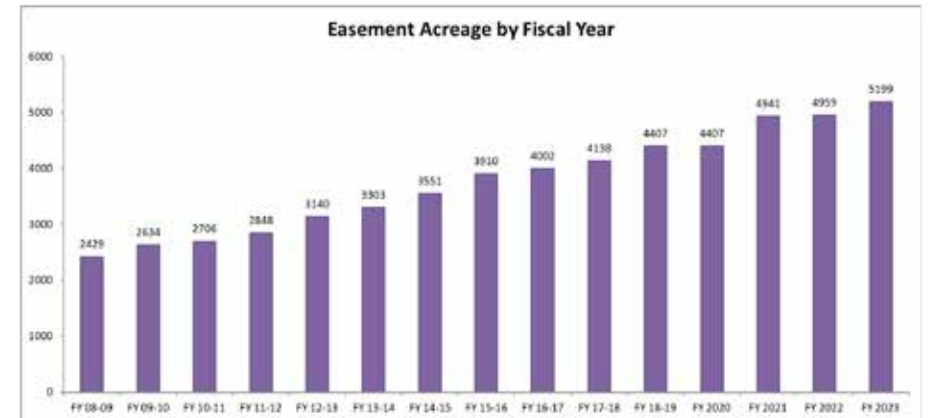


Note: The jump in expenses for FY 2010-11 was due to shifting funds from a property sale to fund the endowment fund at the Community Foundation of North Central Wisconsin. The jump in expenses from FY 2018-19 to FY 2023 was due to increased staffing, and increased easement- and property-related expenses.



Note: Significant changes in assets in some fiscal years is primarily due to land gifts, purchases, and sales. FY 2021 and FY 2022 ended with significant negative returns from NCCT's investments, contributing to a loss in total assets during that period. FY 2023 ended with a net income due to increases in support from the public, grants, and foundations, as well as positive returns from investments.

*FY2021 and FY2022 were updated from previous annual reports.



Note: NCCT acquired one 240-acre conservation easement in 2023.

Balance Sheet
As of December 31, 2023

Assets	
Cash	\$ -1,384.66
Investment Accounts Balance	\$ 1,046,425
Beneficial Interest in Assets Held by the Community Foundation of North Central Wisconsin	\$ 136,320
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Land Held for Conservation	\$ 456,200
Fixed Assets (Office Updates & Equipment)	\$ 66,905
Total Assets	\$ 1,716,584

Liabilities & Equity	
Total Liabilities	\$ 5,726
Donor-restricted Net Assets	\$ 358,504
Board-designated Net Assets	\$ 48,176
CFNCW Endowment Principal	\$ 116,574
CFCW Endowment Principal	\$ 9,957
Invested in Land	\$ 456,200
Operating Reserve	\$ 595,332
Net Income	\$ 126,115
Total Liabilities & Equity	\$ 1,716,584

Revenues	
Conservation Easement Activities	\$ 11,445
NCCT Membership Program	\$ 66,715
Corporate Donations	\$ 8,086
Annual Dinner Silent Auction	\$ 2,505
Annual Dinner Donations	\$ 7,158
Other Fundraising Programs	\$ 4,124
Other Public Support	\$ 8,768
Ranger Fund Donations	\$ 1,200
Staff-support Programs and Partnerships	\$ 25,217
Grant Revenue	\$ 57,636
Fiscal Agent Services	\$ 5,001
Property Income	\$ 3,230
Total Revenues	\$ 201,085

Expenses	
Program	\$ 136,545
Administrative and Office Improvements	\$ 46,115
Fundraising and Public Outreach	\$ 11,518
Property Ownership	\$ 4,362
Easement Monitoring	\$ 470
Easement Development	\$ 4,662
Investment Expenses and Fees	\$ 9,526
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 213,198

INTRODUCING THE CONSERVATION CHAMPIONS

The Conservation Champions, NCCT's major gift society, is new in 2024 and was established to recognize donors of land, conservation easement donors, and/or those who have supported the organization with gifts totaling \$5,000 or more throughout the lifetime of their membership. In addition to providing annual support to carry out NCCT's operations, the gifts of Conservation Champions provide long-term sustainability to NCCT, and have a dramatic effect on the advancement of our mission.

NCCT Conservation Champions (to date):

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