

Northcentral Pennsylvania Conservancy

Conserving and enhancing the lands and waters of Northcentral PA



Winter 2022

***Thank you for conserving and
enhancing the lands and waters
in the region.***

***Your membership support
conserved a farm to
wrap up 2021!***

Conservation Stories Because of You:

- Farm Fields Along Old Reading Road Conserved
- Farmer Looking to Add to Conservation Work



Farm Fields Along Old Reading Road Conserved

A Northumberland County family wanted to ensure the farm fields they've managed for over 70 years could be farmed far into the future.

Because of your support the family could work with NPC to conserve the property using a conservation easement.

One of the reasons to conserve the farm fields was the soil. The property contains soils of state wide importance and prime agricultural soils. Soils in these categories are important because they can grow higher amounts of crops (a better yield) than other soils. From an economic standpoint this means the farmer can raise more crops which is good for the farmer's balance sheet. From a food systems stand point these soils are important because they can provide more food per acre, and feed more people.

Another conservation highlight of the property you helped conserve is the way it helps water quality. There is an unnamed tributary to Shamokin Creek that flows through the property and two other channels that are seasonal drainages.

The unnamed tributary to Shamokin Creek starts just off this property then flows through the property before eventually entering Shamokin Creek.

During a visit to the property in November Dr. Mel Zimmerman (Lycoming College Clean Water Institute) and Ben Paul, Watershed Specialist for the Northumberland County Conservation District turned over rocks in the stream looking for macroinvertebrates (a.k.a. water bugs). Between the two of them they found caddisflies, stoneflies, and mayflies. These water bugs are all signs of clean water and some of the favorite food for fish.

This property can be seen from several roads. That may sound like a strange conservation highlight to note, but research shows that spending time outside has huge health benefits. Some studies are even showing that looking at fields and woods can help lower blood pressure and reduce stress. People who are driving by this property will continue to see the fields and woods and can enjoy the health benefits from the views.

Thank you! Your membership allowed NPC to work with the family who has cared for this property for over 70 years. Because of you they could partner with NPC to donate a conservation easement and conserve the property.





Farmer Looking to Add to Conservation Work

Back in 2010 NPC members and the stream partnership worked with a farmer near Turbotville to reduce the sediment going into the stream. That farmer's son is now managing the farm and is changing some things. The son asked the County Conservation District if it would be possible to work on another stretch of the stream. He has seen the positive impact from the work in 2010 and wants to do more.

With your support the stream partnership will work on two stream crossings at the farm and stabilize the streambanks. The Conservation District has funding to help cover the costs of planting trees in the areas that are being retired from pasture.

You are allowing the project to proceed and be phased in. One of the logistics that had to be worked through on this site was where to pasture the cows while the work happens and how to time the project so the different types of work can happen in a logical order with as little disruption to the farm operations as possible.

If you're on social media, watch Facebook and Instagram for project photos (and maybe a few cow photos) from phase 1 in March.



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the work of the
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2021 Conservation Easement Site Visit Wrap-Up



Richards Easement: This easement in Sullivan County offers a rocky forest that slopes down to the Loyalsock Creek. This is a view that few people get to experience.

Bride Farm Easement: This well kept old farm displays spectacular views of Robwood Mountain in Bradford County as well as rich pockets of forested land.



Robwood Mountain Easement: This easement protects the landscape on top of Robwood Mountain. It includes a man-made pond, that appears to have naturalized perfectly within the landscape. It offers wildlife much needed habitat and sustenance. The other unique feature on Robwood Mountain is a "bald" where only low bush blueberry and scraggly oaks can survive the thin soil on top of the rock ledges.



FINANCIAL SUMMARY 2020

The 2020 audit wrapped up in October 2021. The information provided is based on audited financial statements prepared by McKonley & Asbury for 2020. Full copies of the audited financial statements, IRS Form 990, and Bureau of Charitable Organizations filing are available by contacting the Northcentral Pennsylvania Conservancy office.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

Assets

Cash & Investments	\$1,535,532.00
Other Assets	\$367,292.00

Total Assets	\$1,902,824.00
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Liabilities

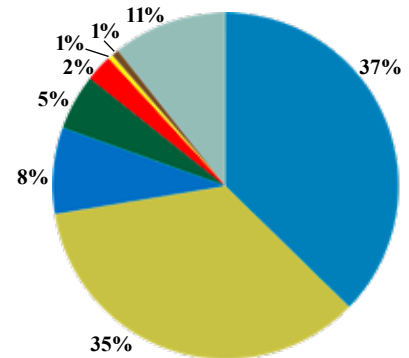
Net Assets	\$129,091.00
	\$1,773,733.00

Total Liabilities And Net Assets	\$1,902,824.00
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STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

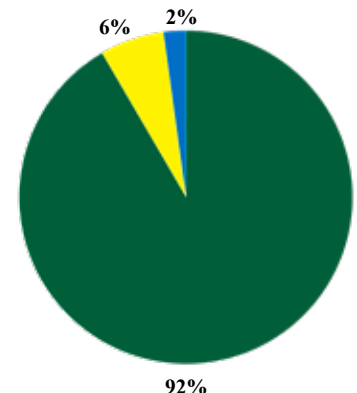
Revenue

Grants	\$322,270.00	37%
Contributions	\$303,084.00	35%
Memberships	\$69,670.00	8%
Net Investment Return	\$45,154.00	5%
Paycheck Protection Program	\$21,400.00	2%
Fundraising Income	\$4,000.00	1%
Miscellaneous	\$5,892.00	1%
Net Assets Released From Restrictions	\$92,365.00	11%
	\$863,835.00	



Expense

Conservation Program Services 92%	\$607,565.00	92%
Management And General	\$41,239.00	6%
Fundraising	\$14,455.00	2%
	\$663,259.00	





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