

An Incubator of Conservation Ideas since 1999

The Foundation is a leading member of our state's public-private conservation partnership, providing critically needed charitable gifts and philanthropic resources to sustain our environmental quality and land use today and for future generations.

For every dollar raised, \$0.92 is invested directly in programs that benefit conservation & education

Annual Budget = \$500,000 to \$700,000

Leadership – 20+ conservation, agriculture, and forestry leaders from across the state

Staff – 1 full time and 2 part time

Strategic Directions

Enhance Natural Resource Leadership

Ensure Foundation's Financial security

Build the Conservation Partnership

Promote and Support the Locally Led Conservation Message

Since 2000, the Foundation has raised \$15,000,000

Improving the Environment

Closed 225+ inactive lagoons, treating 270 million gallons

Sentinel Landscapes – partnering military with private lands across 600,000 acres, 4,000 landowners

Educating the Citizens

Funded 4 Mobile Soils Classrooms

Built 100+ outdoor learning centers impacting 200,000 kids

Building Conservation Capacity

Provided 35 no-till drills impacting 42,000 acres

> Provided 2,500 training experiences



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The Foundation is establishing an endowment to ensure its long-term role in conservation excellence. Join us as a leadership partner!

Program Investors Past & Present

Corporate & Nonprofits

The Altria Group Caterpillar Foundation Cotton Incorporated Duke Energy Foundation Environmental Defense Fund NC Cattlemen's Association Philip Morris USA Progress Energy Smithfield Foods Agreement Southern SARE Walmart Foundation Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation

State & Federal

Golden LEAF Foundation NC Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services NC Agriculture Development and Farmland Preservation Trust Fund NC State University NC Tobacco Trust Fund Commission The Rural Center Texas A & M University US Department of Agriculture US Department of Navy

Endowment Investors

Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Carolina Endowment

Hugh Hammond Bennett Circle \$100,000 +

Branch Banking and Trust NC Farm Bureau Federation NC State Grange

Soil and Water Patrons Circle \$25,000 - \$50,000

Carolina Farm Credit NC Electric Cooperatives Sloan Family Foundation The Bowman Family

Soil and Water Benefactors Circle \$5,000 - \$25,000

Gregory Poole Equipment Company AgCarolina Farm Credit Buncombe Soil and Water Conservation District Carolina Farm Credit William "Bill" Sullivan Memorial Wells Fargo The Hudson Family