



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

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

Staff – 1 full time and 5 part time

Strategic Directions

Enhance Natural Resource Leadership

Ensure the Foundation's Financial Security

Build the Conservation Partnership

Promote and Support the Locally Led Conservation Message

Since 2000, the Foundation has raised and leveraged \$53,000,000

Improving the Environment

Closed 249 inactive lagoons, treating 290 million gallons

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

Educating the Citizens

Funded 5 Mobile Soils Classrooms

Built 111+ outdoor learning centers impacting 206,000 kids

Scholarships for 176 students

Building Conservation Capacity

Provided 74 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!

Past and Present Program Investors

Corporate & Nonprofits

The Altria Group

Caterpillar Foundation

Cotton Incorporated

Duke Energy

Environmental Defense Fund

Philip Morris USA

Progress Energy

Smithfield Foods Agreement

Walmart Foundation

Wrangler

Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation

State & Federal

Golden LEAF Foundation

National Fish and Wildlife Foundation

NC Agriculture Development and

Farmland Preservation Trust Fund

NC Cattlemen's Association

NC Dept Ag & Consumer Services

NC Dept of Military & Veterans Affairs

NC State University

NC Soybean Producers Association

NC Tobacco Trust Fund Commission

The Rural Center

Southern SARE

Texas A & M University

US Department of Agriculture

US Dept of Navy + Marine Corps

Sustainability Investors

Hugh Hammond Bennett Circle

\$100,000 +

Blue Cross Blue Shield of NC

Branch Banking and Trust

NC Farm Bureau Federation

NC State Grange

Soil and Water Patrons Circle

\$25,000 - \$50,000

The Bowman Family

Carolina Farm Credit

NC Electric Co-Operative

Membership

Sloan Family Foundation

Soil and Water Benefactors Circle

\$5,000 - \$25,000

AgCarolina Farm Credit

Buncombe Conservation District

Cape Fear Farm Credit

The Hudson Family

The Maynard Family

William "Bill" Sullivan Memorial

Wells Fargo Foundation