

CONSERVATION: THE WORK OF GENERATIONS

This past year of COVID affected every person, every organization and every community in a distinct way. North Coast Land Conservancy was no exception. Much like the rest of the world, we had to reimagine how to function in the short and long term. Yet, one thing stayed the same: NCLC kept me grounded every day.

As one of our supporters recently said, "You all have the patience of a squirrel, gathering and gathering, day in and day out, until you get the work done." Conservation is not just the work of months, or even years; it is about generations. This has been a comforting point of reflection as of late, knowing this too is but a passing moment. Yet what we learn and how we grow from this time of shared yet inequitable hardship will endure.

Despite the daily turbulence and uncertainty of 2020, the nature of our work is relational. It transcends linear time and allows us to always be in the moment while also looking forward and back to maintain perspective.

Our acquisition projects transpire over the course of several years. Take the proposed Rainforest Reserve, for instance: 2020 represented the fourth year of our official five-year campaign, but in actuality, we've been gradually moving toward this vision for about 10 years. That decade seems like a long time in some contexts, but our commitment to caring for the Rainforest Reserve, and the work involved, will last forever.

It's not always flashy and glamorous as we squirrel away on a daily basis, taking measured steps and investing time and energy into the future without seeing the immediate fruit of our labor. Together we harness patience, knowing this steady and conscientious process yields the best results for all. Thank *you* for supporting and nurturing our coast.

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CONSERVING THE OREGON OUTDOORS FOR YEARS TO COME

Zeph Schafer and Corinna Jackson-Schafer don't live on the Oregon North Coast, but they have a special connection to the area. Growing up in Portland, where the couple still resides, they have many memories of visiting places like Ecola State Park

and Oswald West State Park to camp, surf and hike.

"In general, we like the Oregon outdoors," Zeph says.

They first became acquainted with North Coast Land Conservancy after hearing Oregon Public Broadcasting's segment about NCLC's transfer of 18.6 acres of land near the Necanicum Estuary back to the Clatsop-Nehalem Confederated Tribe. They checked out NCLC's website and were further intrigued by the proposed Rainforest Reserve campaign.

"Private land acquisition by organizations like NCLC was a conservation method in particular that we wanted to support," Zeph says. As donors, they have confidence their investment is going toward acquiring carefully selected land and managing it in a sustainable way. "It feels like your donation has a very direct impact."

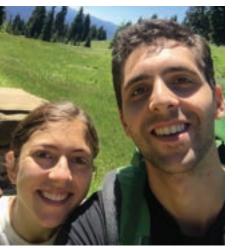
Protecting the environment has long been a priority to Zeph. Both he and Corinna were raised within family cultures that embraced conservation.

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"On a personal level, the existence of wild land of all types—forests, grasslands—feels important to me, whether I get to visit or not," Zeph says, adding he believes human survival depends on functional ecosystems and a stable climate.

He looks forward to volunteering his time with NCLC once the COVID-19 pandemic no longer limits traveling and social gathering. Some of his interests involve computer programming, web development and data analytics, which he does professionally, as well as birding and wild plant identification.

"There's something fun about finding new species, whether it's a plant or a bird; it's a feeling of discovery," he says.



Zeph Schafer and Corinna Jackson-Schafer

FINANCIALS

THE BIG PICTURE -

Cash and investments \$5,629,374

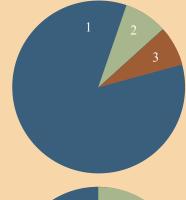
Land and other fixed assets \$16,464,053

> Total assets \$22,093,427

Liabilities \$409,986

TOTAL NET ASSETS \$21,683,441

Our audited financial statements may be viewed at NCLCtrust.org/2020-finances.





REVENUE Where our support came from

1 Contributions from our supporters	\$1,606,438	
2 Grants and fees	\$218,340	
3 Interest and other income	\$113,263	
TOTAL REVENUE	\$1,938,041	

Please visit our website for a complete list of donors.

EXPENSES & RESERVES What your support paid for

1 Stewardship of the land we currently conserve \$266,869 2 Working to acquire land for conservation \$179,627 3 Education and outreach to connect the community to our work \$102,008 4 Administration and fundraising \$212,174

TOTAL EXPENSES			\$760,678
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Value of land added to conservancy holdings \$306,603

N Funds set aside for Rainforest Reserve campaign and future operations

\$1,163,134





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