

# North Carolina LAND TRUSTS

*Saving the Places You Love*

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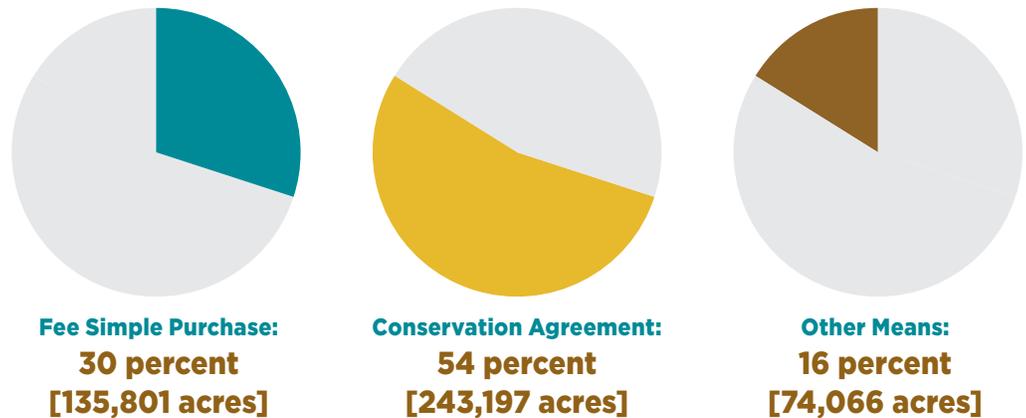
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# LAND TRUSTS AND LAND CONSERVATION

Land trusts are private, nonprofit conservation organizations that work with willing landowners to voluntarily protect pristine streams, forests, farms, parks, scenic vistas, and unique natural and cultural places. We protect drinking water sources, air quality and wildlife habitat; conserve farms that produce fresh local foods; and help create parks, trails and greenways. The result? Healthier communities for all North Carolinians. These protection efforts may be accomplished through conservation easements – voluntary, permanent legal agreements with landowners who retain ownership and use of the land while pledging that it will not be developed. Land trusts may also buy property outright, or accept donations of land or easements. They often work in partnership with other conservation organizations and government agencies.

In response to challenging economic times and changing state demographics, local land trusts are connecting more people, regardless of racial, ethnic, or socioeconomic background, with the outdoors. Land trusts are continuing to open more properties to the public and creating alliances with low-income and minority communities that have not traditionally worked with or been served by land trusts.

## MEANS OF PROTECTION (Percentages of 453,064 acres protected)



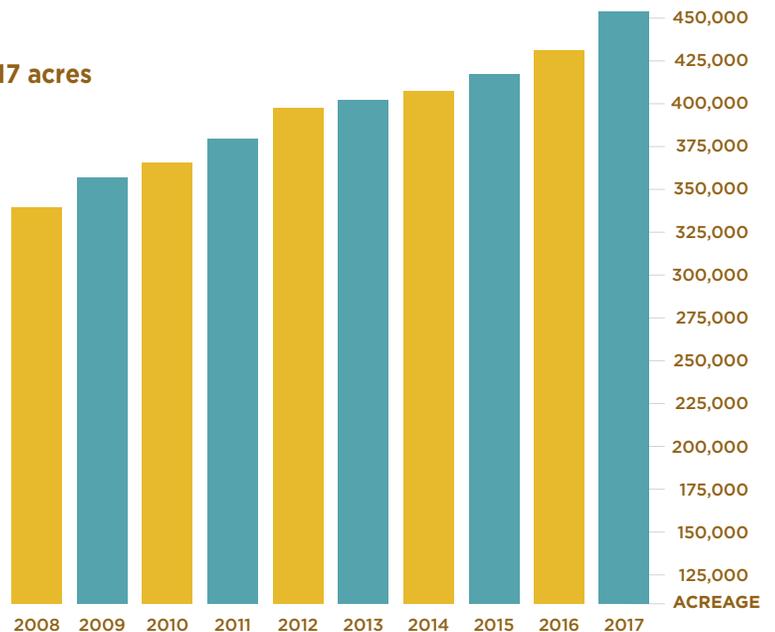
## 2017 LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:

- Total protected in 2017: **16,052 acres in 97 places**
- Own fee simple title: **5,693 acres**
- Purchased and conveyed to others (public & private): **1,869 acres**
- Held under conservation agreements: **4,813 acres**
- Placed under conservation agreements and conveyed to others: **2,717 acres**
- Protected by other means: **960 acres**

Total protected to date:  
**453,064 acres**

## CUMULATIVE LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:

- Total protected to date: **453,064 acres in 2,876 places**
- Own fee simple title: **62,517 acres**
- Purchased and conveyed to others (public & private): **73,825 acres**
- Held under conservation agreements: **208,903 acres**
- Placed under conservation agreements and conveyed to others: **34,293 acres**
- Protected by other means: **74,066 acres**

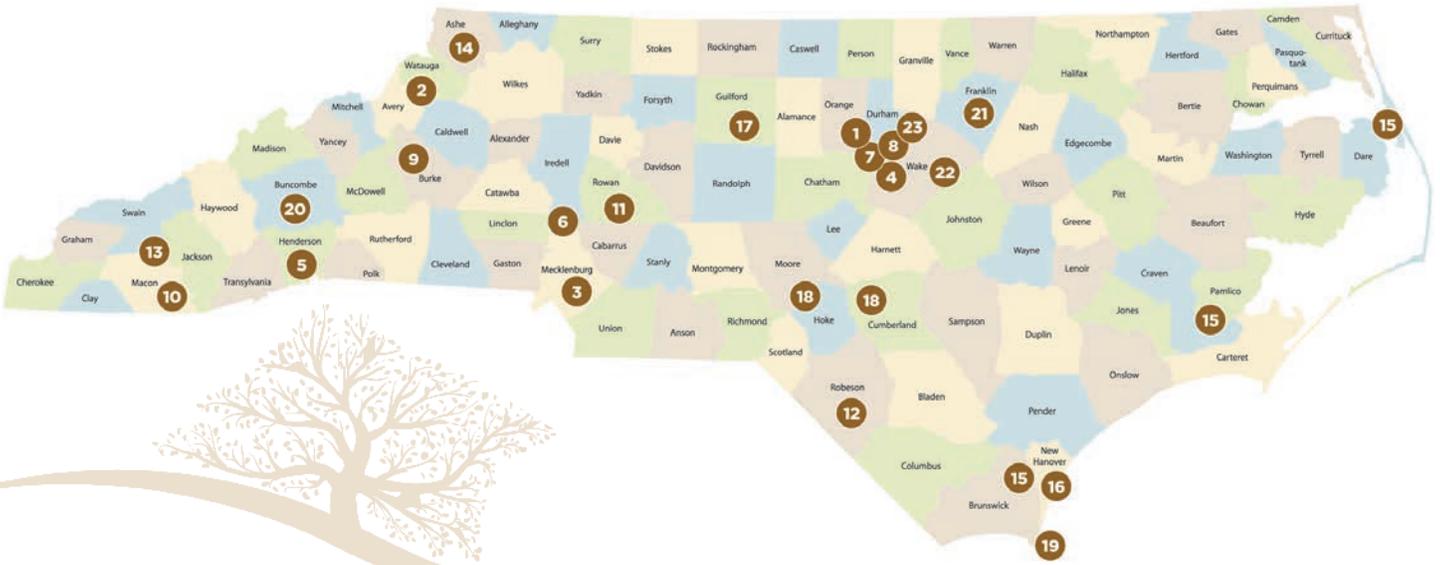


Figures are rounded to nearest full acre; figures broken down by type and in individual land trusts' entries therefore may not precisely correspond to annual and cumulative statewide totals.

Cumulative land protection figures may differ slightly from previous years due to data correction and adjustments in final terms of some land protection projects.

"Protected by other means" includes cooperative protection projects with other organizations, coalitions, or governments under which a participating land trust may never have held or transferred title or conservation agreement; these figures are therefore not included with the land trusts' individual protection data.

# LAND TRUSTS IN NORTH CAROLINA



North Carolina's local land trusts work in communities across the state to preserve land and water quality, protect public health and quality of life for North Carolina families, and strengthen the economy. Land trusts conserve the places that make each community in North Carolina unique. Through partnerships with landowners, communities, and public agencies, land trusts work to preserve the heritage of North Carolina's most beloved places through voluntary conservation. Land trusts save places that are critical to clean drinking water, healthy food from family farms, recreation, and tourism. Use this directory to find out more about your local land trust and how to help *save the places you love*.

North Carolina land trusts are members of the Land Trust Alliance, a national association of conservation groups. The land trusts in this directory have adopted the Alliance's standards and practices to ensure the long-term protection of North Carolina's most valued lands. To learn more about the Alliance and its standards and practices, visit [www.landtrustalliance.org](http://www.landtrustalliance.org).

As of October 2017, 15 North Carolina land trusts have earned national accreditation from the Land Trust Accreditation Commission, an independent program of the Land Trust Alliance; they are noted with asterisks in the table of contents at right.

## LAND TRUST ALLIANCE

1660 L St. NW • Suite 1100 • Washington, DC 20036  
202-638-4725 • [info@lta.org](mailto:info@lta.org)

*Mission: To save the places people love  
by strengthening land conservation across America.*

## LAND TRUST ALLIANCE (SOUTHEAST PROGRAM)

PO Box 12212 • Research Triangle Park, NC 27709  
919-827-0023 • [southeast@lta.org](mailto:southeast@lta.org)

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## Black Family Land Trust, Inc.



**MISSION STATEMENT:** *The Black Family Land Trust, Inc. provides educational, technical and financial services to ensure, protect and preserve landownership for African Americans and other limited resource landowners.*

**ADDRESS:** PO Box 2087  
Durham, NC 27702

**PHONE:** 919-683-5263

**FAX:** 888-585-9139

**EMAIL:** ebonie@bflt.org

**WEB:** www.BFLT.org

**ESTABLISHED:** 2004

**NUMBER OF BOARD MEMBERS:** 6

**NUMBER OF STAFF:**  
2 full-time/2 part-time

**GEOGRAPHIC AREA:** Statewide

**CONTACTS:**

- Lillian “Ebonie” Alexander, Executive Director
- Tonya Taylor, North Carolina State Coordinator

**CUMULATIVE LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:** Protected 510 acres in three places. Placed 510 acres under conservation agreements.

## Blue Ridge Conservancy



**MISSION STATEMENT:** *Blue Ridge Conservancy’s mission is to work with willing landowners and local communities to permanently protect land and water resources with agricultural, ecological, cultural, recreational and scenic value in northwest North Carolina.*

**ADDRESS:** PO Box 568  
Boone, NC 28607

**PHONE:** 828-264-2511

**EMAIL:** info@blueridgeconservancy.org

**WEB:** www.blueridgeconservancy.org

**ESTABLISHED:** 1995/1997

**NUMBER OF BOARD MEMBERS:** 13

**NUMBER OF STAFF:** 6

**GEOGRAPHIC AREA:** Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Mitchell, Watauga, Wilkes, and Yancey counties.

**CONTACTS:**

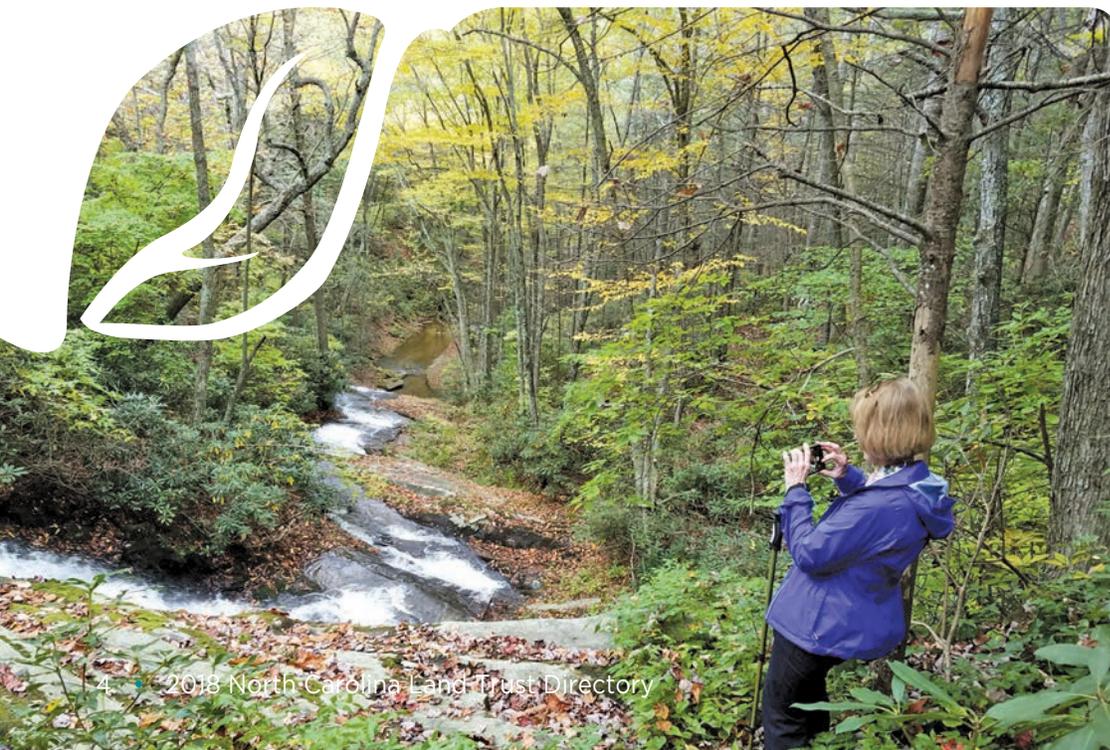
- Charlie Brady, Executive Director
- Eric Hiegl, Director of Land Protection & Stewardship
- Ben Lucas, Associate Director of Land Protection & Stewardship
- Maria Whaley, Director of Finance & Operations
- Nikki Robinson, Communications & Outreach Associate
- Wendy Patoprsty, Middle Fork Greenway Project Director

**CUMULATIVE LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:**

Protected 20,308 acres in 224 places. Own fee simple title to 2,201 acres; transferred fee simple title to governments on 4,548 acres. Placed 13,306 acres under conservation agreements; transferred conservation agreements to governments on 254 acres.

**2017 LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:**

Protected 605 acres in seven places. Own fee simple title to 32 acres; transferred fee simple title to governments on 373 acres. Placed 199 acres under conservation agreements.



## Catawba Lands Conservancy

**ADDRESS:** 4530 Park Road  
Suite 420  
Charlotte, NC 28209

**PHONE:** 704-342-3330

**EMAIL:** info@catawbalands.org

**WEB:** www.catawbalands.org

**ESTABLISHED:** 1991

**NUMBER OF BOARD MEMBERS:** 24

**NUMBER OF STAFF:** 17

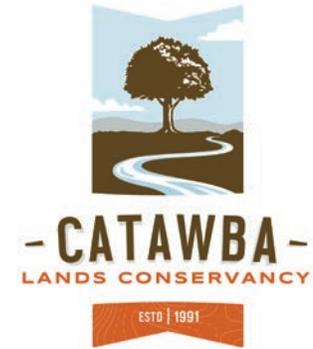
**GEOGRAPHIC AREA:** Catawba, Gaston, Iredell, Lincoln, Mecklenburg, and Union counties.

### CONTACTS:

- Tom Okel, Executive Director
- Sean Bloom, GIS Director
- Matt Covington, Land Acquisition Director
- Alesia Dicosola, Development Director
- Andy Kane, Carolina Thread Trail Senior Director
- Allison Schwartz, Director of Marketing
- Sharon Wilson, Land Stewardship Director

**CUMULATIVE LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:** Protected 15,761 acres in 195 places. Own fee simple title to 3,812 acres in 67 places. Placed 11,374 acres under conservation agreements; and protected 575 acres with local governments or by other means.

**2017 LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:** Protected 453 acres in seven places. Own fee simple title to 99 acres. Placed 354 acres under conservation agreements.



**MISSION STATEMENT:** *Catawba Lands Conservancy's mission is to save land and connect lives to nature.*

## Conservation Trust for North Carolina

**ADDRESS:** 1028 Washington Street  
Raleigh, NC 27605

**PHONE:** 919-828-4199

**FAX:** 919-828-4508

**EMAIL:** info@ctnc.org

**WEB:** www.ctnc.org

**ESTABLISHED:** 1991

**NUMBER OF BOARD MEMBERS:** 19

**NUMBER OF STAFF:** 13

**GEOGRAPHIC AREA:** Statewide

### CONTACTS:

- Chris Canfield, Executive Director
- Caitlin Burke, Associate Director
- Alberto Alzamora, Staff Accountant
- Ben Blankenship, Chief Financial Officer
- Victoria Chetty, Diversity & Equity Director
- Nick DiColandrea, CTNC AmeriCorps Program Director
- Karen Smith Fernandez, Director of Philanthropy
- Mary Alice Holley, Communications and Marketing Director
- Edgar Miller, Government Relations Director
- Rusty Painter, Land Protection Director
- Jan Pender, NC Youth Conservation Corps Project Director
- Hannah Vet, Philanthropy Associate
- Tracy Weidert, Emerging Leaders Program Assistant

**CUMULATIVE LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:** Protected 36,388 acres in 122 places. Own fee simple title to 1,030 acres; transferred fee simple title to governments on 2,923 acres. Placed 29,513 acres under conservation agreements; transferred conservation agreements to governments on 2,923 acres.

**2017 LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:** Protected 2,266 acres in five places. Own fee simple title to 51 acres, and protected 1,260 acres under conservation agreement.



**MISSION STATEMENT:** *CTNC's mission is to protect land along the Blue Ridge Parkway, assist 22 local land trusts, and connect people to nature so that all North Carolinians can enjoy safe drinking water, clean air, fresh local foods, and recreational opportunities, for generations to come.*



## Conserving Carolina



**MISSION STATEMENT:** *Conserving Carolina is dedicated to protecting and stewarding land and natural resources vital to our natural heritage and quality of life and to fostering appreciation and understanding of the natural world.*



**ADDRESS:** 847 Case Street  
Hendersonville, NC 28792

**PHONE:** 828-697-5777

**FAX:** 828-697-2602

**EMAIL:** info@conservingcarolina.org

**WEB:** www.conservingcarolina.org

**ESTABLISHED:** 1994

**NUMBER OF BOARD MEMBERS:** 29

**NUMBER OF STAFF:** 21 (+6 AmeriCorps members, not listed below)

**GEOGRAPHIC AREA:** Transylvania, Polk, Henderson and parts of neighboring counties.

### CONTACTS:

- Kieran Roe, Executive Director
- Tom Fanslow, Land Protection Director
- Peter Barr, Trails Coordinator
- Ericka Berg, Database and Administrative Coordinator
- Tony Beurskens, Community Engagement Manager
- Mary Ann Hailey, Administrative/IT Coordinator
- Debra Hansborough, Southeast Office Manager
- Rose Jenkins, Communications & Marketing Manager
- Julianne Johnson, Assistant Director for Operations
- Lynn Killian, Development Director
- David Lee, Natural Resources Manager
- Kristen Lee, AmeriCorps Project Conserve Coordinator
- Mary Ann Merrill, Southeast Office Manager
- Bonnie Millar, Monitoring Coordinator
- Torry Nergart, Conservation Easement Manager
- Rebekah Robinson, Assistant Director for Programs
- Courtney Satterfield, Finance Coordinator
- Amy Stout, AmeriCorps Project Conserve Director
- Pam Torlina, Southeast Stewardship Manager
- Jenn Tutor, Donor Relations Manager
- Eryn Warner, Finance Director

**CUMULATIVE LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:** Protected 44,337 acres in 320 places. Own fee simple title to 4,862 acres; transferred fee simple title to governments on 4,065 acres. Placed 15,042 acres under conservation agreements; transferred conservation agreements to governments on 2,880 acres, conveyed conservation agreements to other organizations on 61 acres; and protected 16,998 acres by other means.

**2017 LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:** Protected 1,476 acres in 18 places. Acquired fee simple title to 909 acres. Placed 190 acres under conservation agreements and conveyed conservation agreements on 377 acres to governments.

## Davidson Lands Conservancy



**MISSION STATEMENT:** *Davidson Lands Conservancy is a nonprofit land trust that works with willing landowners to save land in the Davidson, North Carolina area in order to preserve a healthy, natural environment for future generations. The Davidson Lands Conservancy works to PROTECT valuable land, EDUCATE the public about the benefits of conservation, and ADVOCATE on behalf of our ecosystems.*

**ADDRESS:** 120 S. Main Street  
Davidson, NC 28036

**PHONE:** 704-892-1910

**EMAIL:** dlc@davidsonlands.org

**WEB:** www.davidsonlands.org

**ESTABLISHED:** 2001

**NUMBER OF BOARD MEMBERS:** 13

**NUMBER OF STAFF:** 1

**GEOGRAPHIC AREA:** Northern Mecklenburg and adjoining portions of Iredell and Cabarrus counties.

### CONTACTS:

- John Burke, Board President
- Autumn Rierson Michael, Executive Director

**CUMULATIVE LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:** Protected 264 acres in 10 places. Own fee simple title to 10 acres. Placed 102 acres under conservation agreements.

## Ellerbe Creek Watershed Association

**ADDRESS:** 2600 W. Carver Street  
Suite C  
Durham, NC 27705

**PHONE:** 919-698-9729

**EMAIL:** info@ellerbecreek.org

**WEB:** www.ellerbecreek.org

**ESTABLISHED:** 2016

**NUMBER OF BOARD MEMBERS:** 15

**NUMBER OF STAFF:** 5



**GEOGRAPHIC AREA:** Ellerbe Creek Watershed of Durham

### CONTACTS:

- Chris Dreps, Executive Director
- Rachel Cohn, Office Manager and Development Assistant
- Donna Myers, Stewardship Coordinator
- Robert Meehan, Creek Smart Program Coordinator

**CUMULATIVE LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:** Protected 414 acres in 13 places. Own fee simple title to 414 acres.

**2017 LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:** Protected 76 acres in four places as own fee simple title.

**MISSION STATEMENT:** *The Ellerbe Creek Watershed Association's mission is to protect and restore a healthy, living Ellerbe Creek and make the creek an asset to the people of Durham and the region.*

## Eno River Association

**ADDRESS:** 4404 Guess Road  
Durham, NC 27705

**PHONE:** 919-620-9099

**EMAIL:** association@enoriver.org

**WEB:** www.enoriver.org

**ESTABLISHED:** 1966

**NUMBER OF BOARD MEMBERS:** 14

**NUMBER OF STAFF:** 8



**GEOGRAPHIC AREA:** Durham and Orange counties.

### CONTACTS:

- Robin Jacobs, Executive Director
- Stephanie Panlasigui, Conservation Director
- Carrie Kovalick, Development Director
- Hillary Bruce, Associate Director of Development & Communications
- Dave Cook, Education & Outreach Coordinator
- Greg Bell, Eno River Festival Director
- Carolee Helgesen, Volunteer Coordinator

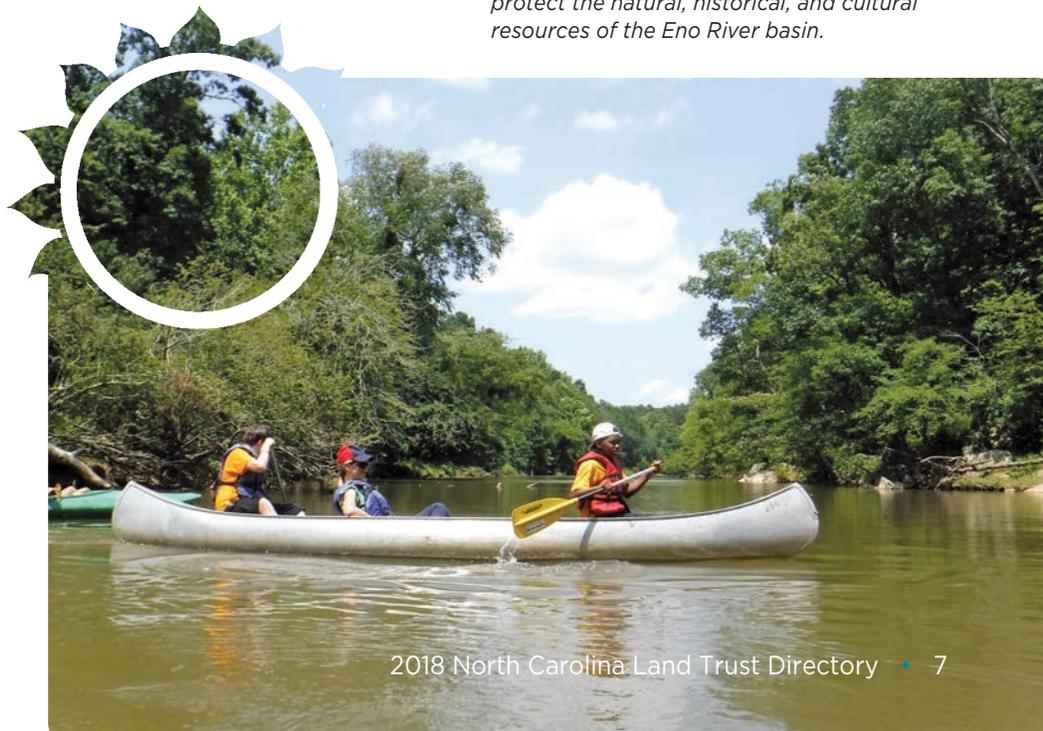
### CUMULATIVE LAND PROTECTION

**TOTALS:** Protected 6,300 acres in 147 places. Own fee simple title to 302 acres; transferred fee simple title to governments on 857 acres. Placed 339 acres under conservation agreements. Transferred conservation agreements to governments on 60 acres, and protected 4,741 acres by other means.

### 2017 LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:

Protected 128 acres in four places. Own fee simple title to 79 acres and placed 49 acres under conservation agreements.

**MISSION STATEMENT:** *Eno River Association's mission is to conserve and protect the natural, historical, and cultural resources of the Eno River basin.*



## Foothills Conservancy of North Carolina



### FOOTHILLS CONSERVANCY OF NORTH CAROLINA

**MISSION STATEMENT:** *Foothills Conservancy of North Carolina, a nationally accredited land trust, is dedicated to working cooperatively with landowners and public and private conservation partners to preserve and protect important natural areas and open spaces of the Blue Ridge Mountains and Foothills region, including watersheds, environmentally significant habitats, and forests and farmlands for this and future generations. The conservancy, a 501(c)3 nonprofit, serves eight counties: Alexander, Burke, Caldwell, Catawba, Cleveland, Lincoln, McDowell, and Rutherford.*

**ADDRESS:** PO Box 3023  
Morganton, NC 28680

**PHONE:** 828-437-9930

**EMAIL:** [info@foothillsconservancy.org](mailto:info@foothillsconservancy.org)

**WEB:** [www.foothillsconservancy.org](http://www.foothillsconservancy.org)

**ESTABLISHED:** 1995

**BOARD MEMBERS:** 16

**STAFF:** 6

**GEOGRAPHIC AREA:** Blue Ridge Mountains and foothills of western North Carolina; Alexander, Burke, Caldwell, Catawba, Cleveland, Lincoln, McDowell, and Rutherford.

**CONTACTS:**

- Andrew Kota, Executive Director
- Beth Willard-Patton, Associate Director
- Isaac Crouch, Office and Finance Administrator
- Tom Kenney, Land Protection Director
- Sophie Shelton, Communications and Outreach Associate
- Ryan Sparks, Conservation Associate

**CUMULATIVE LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:** Protected 54,121 acres in 84 places. Own fee simple title to 5,429 acres; transferred fee simple title to governments on 30,222 acres. Placed 3,651 acres under conservation agreements; transferred conservation agreements to governments on 1,547 acres; and protected 13,271 acres by other means.

**2017 LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:** Protected 3,161 acres in 11 places. Own fee simple title to 366 and transferred to governments on 1,159 acres. Placed 660 acres under conservation agreements, and transferred conservation agreements to governments on 121 acres.

## Highlands-Cashiers Land Trust



*Highlands-Cashiers*  
**LAND TRUST**  
*"Saving Special Places since 1909"*

**MISSION STATEMENT:** *Highlands-Cashiers Land Trust's mission is to protect valuable land resources for all generations.*

**ADDRESS:**  
Street: 348 South 5th Street  
Highlands, NC 28741

Mailing: PO Box 1703  
Highlands, NC 28741

**PHONE:** 828-526-1111

**FAX:** 828-526-0066

**EMAIL:** [hitrust@earthlink.net](mailto:hitrust@earthlink.net)

**WEB:** [www.hicashlt.org](http://www.hicashlt.org)

**ESTABLISHED:** 1883

**BOARD MEMBERS:** 16

**STAFF:** 4

**GEOGRAPHIC AREA:** Jackson and Macon counties.

**CONTACTS:**

- Gary Wein, Executive Director
- Julie Schott, Development Director
- Kyle Pursel, Stewardship Coordinator
- Sarah Pursel, Education Coordinator & Development Assistant

**CUMULATIVE LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:** Protected 3,027 acres in 100 places. Own fee simple title to 314 acres; transferred fee simple title to governments on 110 acres. Placed 2,602 acres under conservation agreements.

**2017 LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:** Protected a two-acre parcel that sits at the entrance to the historic Highway 107 South corridor in Cashiers.



## LandTrust for Central North Carolina, Inc.

**ADDRESS:** 204 East Innes Street  
Suite 280  
Salisbury, NC 28144

**PHONE:** 704-647-0302

**EMAIL:** landtrust@landtrustcnc.org

**WEB:** www.landtrustcnc.org

**ESTABLISHED:** 1995

**BOARD MEMBERS:** 16

**STAFF:** 6 full-time, 1 part-time



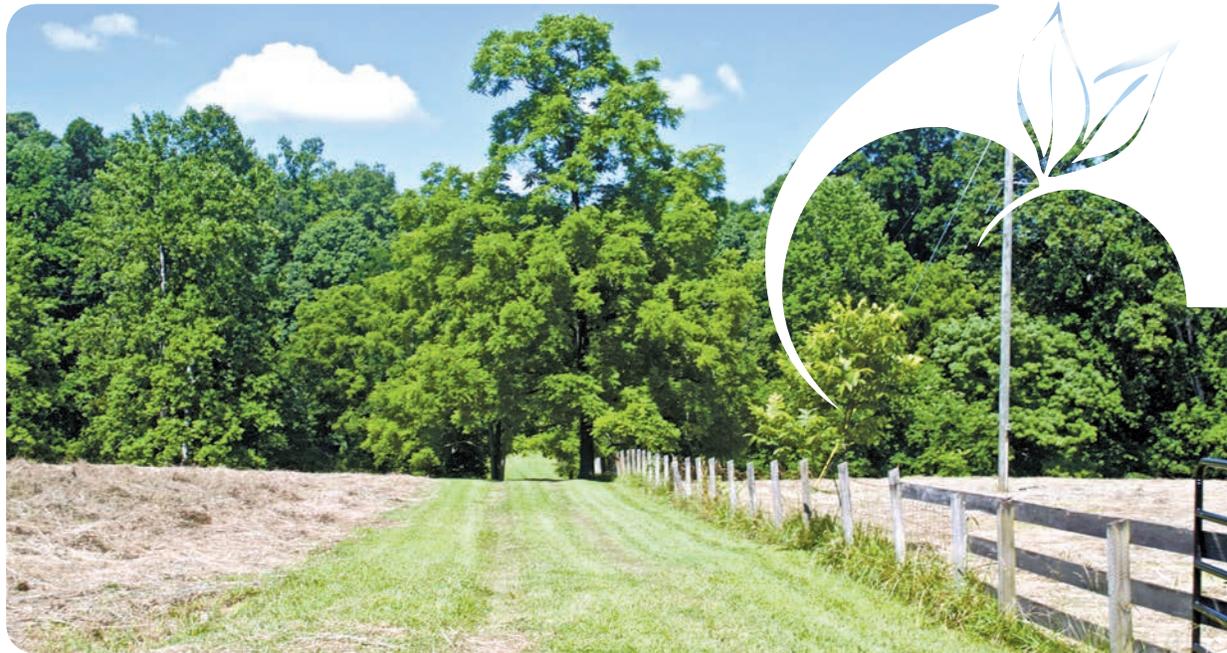
**GEOGRAPHIC AREA:** Anson, Cabarrus, Davidson, Davie, Iredell, Montgomery, Randolph, Richmond, Rowan, and Stanly counties.

### CONTACTS:

- Travis Morehead, Executive Director
- Michael Nye Fulk, Associate Director
- Eli Beverly, Stewardship Associate
- Crystal Cockman, Land Protection Director
- Cody Fulk, Stewardship Director
- Sam Parrott, Membership and Outreach Associate
- Steely Russell, Administrative Associate

### CUMULATIVE LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:

Protected 23,890 acres in 191 places. Own fee simple title to 4,810 acres; transferred fee simple title to governments on 1,282 acres. Placed 16,278 acres under conservation agreements; transferred conservation agreements to governments on 1,000 acres.



**MISSION STATEMENT:** *The LandTrust for Central North Carolina's mission is to protect and conserve land - natural areas, rural landscapes, family farms, and historic places within North Carolina's heartland.*

## Lumber River Conservancy

**PHONE:** 910-522-5751

**FAX:** 910-522-5754

**EMAIL:** patricia.sellers@uncp.edu

**WEB:** www.lumberriverconservancy.org

**ESTABLISHED:** 1991

**NUMBER OF BOARD MEMBERS:** 15

**NUMBER OF STAFF:** All volunteer



**GEOGRAPHIC AREA:** Bladen, Columbus, Hoke, Robeson and Scotland counties.

### CONTACTS:

- Patricia Sellers, Executive Director

**CUMULATIVE LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:** Protected 4,128 acres in 62 places. Own fee simple title to 2,917 acres; transferred fee simple title to governments on 474 acres. Placed 678 acres under conservation agreements; transferred conservation agreements to governments on 60 acres.

**MISSION STATEMENT:** *The Lumber River Conservancy's mission is to protect the Lumber River through land conservation.*

## Mainspring Conservation Trust



### MAINSRING CONSERVATION TRUST

Stewards of the Southern Blue Ridge

**MISSION STATEMENT:** *Mainspring Conservation Trust's mission is to conserve the waters, forests, farms, and heritage of the upper Little Tennessee and Hiwassee River valleys.*



#### ADDRESS:

Street: 557 East Main Street  
Franklin, NC 28734

Mailing: PO Box 1148  
Franklin, NC 28744

**PHONE:** 828-524-2711

**FAX:** 828-524-4471

**EMAIL:** [info@mainspringconserves.org](mailto:info@mainspringconserves.org)

**WEB:** [www.mainspringconserves.org](http://www.mainspringconserves.org)

**ESTABLISHED:** 1997

**NUMBER OF BOARD MEMBERS:** 17

**NUMBER OF STAFF:** 13

**GEOGRAPHIC AREA:** Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Jackson, Macon, and Swain Counties in North Carolina. Northern Rabun County in Georgia.

#### CONTACTS:

- Sharon Fouts Taylor, Executive Director
- Ben Laseter, Deputy Director
- Rock Curlee, Chief Administrator Officer
- Dennis Desmond, Stewardship Coordinator
- Bill McLarney, Senior Scientist
- Jason Meador, Aquatic Programs Manager
- Kelder Monar, Stewardship Associate
- Molly Phillips, Communication Coordinator
- Sara Posey, Hiwassee Programs Manager
- Jordan Smith, Land Conservation Manager
- Ramelle Smith, Finance Manager
- Cris Weatherford, Development Director
- Sharon Willard Burdette, Development and Administrative Assistant

**CUMULATIVE LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:** Protected 18,064 acres in 113 places. Own fee simple title to 2,751 acres; transferred fee simple title to governments on 1,164 acres and to other organizations on 4,526 acres. Placed 6,949 acres under conservation agreements; transferred conservation agreements to governments on 2,666 acres and to other organizations on two acres.

## New River Conservancy



### New River Conservancy

*Protecting the waters, woodlands and wildlife  
of the New River Watershed*

**MISSION STATEMENT:** *The New River Conservancy's mission is protecting the waters, woodlands, and wildlife of the New River Watershed.*

#### ADDRESS:

Street: 1 North Jefferson Street  
Suite D  
West Jefferson, NC 28694

Mailing: PO Box 1480  
West Jefferson, NC 28694

**PHONE:** 336-846-6267

**FAX:** 336-846-6433

**EMAIL:** [info@newriverconservancy.org](mailto:info@newriverconservancy.org)

**WEB:** [www.newriverconservancy.org](http://www.newriverconservancy.org)

**ESTABLISHED:** 1974

**NUMBER OF BOARD MEMBERS:** 12

**NUMBER OF STAFF:** 5

**GEOGRAPHIC AREA:** New River Watershed in Alleghany, Ashe, and Watauga counties.

#### CONTACTS:

- George Santucci, President
- Linda Slade, Development Director
- Marty Brown, Operations Manager
- Alex McMahon, Water Quality Coordinator
- Chelsea Blount, River Restoration Coordination

**CUMULATIVE LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:** Protected 3,169 acres in 36 places. Own fee simple title to 94 acres; transferred fee simple title to governments on 1,193 acres and to other organizations on eight acres. Placed 1,543 acres under conservation agreements; transferred conservation agreements to governments on 106 acres and to other organizations on 108 acres. Purchased 118 acres at appraised value.

**2017 LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:** Protected 118 acres in two places.

## North Carolina Coastal Land Trust

**ADDRESS:** 131 Racine Drive  
Suite 202  
Wilmington, NC 28403

**PHONE:** 910-790-4524

**FAX:** 910-790-0392

**EMAIL:** info@coastallandtrust.org

**WEB:** www.coastallandtrust.org

**ESTABLISHED:** 1992

**NUMBER OF BOARD MEMBERS:** 18

**NUMBER OF STAFF:** 11



**GEOGRAPHIC AREA:** Beaufort, Bertie, Bladen, Brunswick, Camden, Carteret, Chowan, Columbus, Craven, Currituck, Dare, Duplin, Gates, Greene, Hertford, Hyde, Jones, Lenoir, Martin, New Hanover, Northampton, Onslow, Pamlico, Pasquotank, Pender, Perquimans, Pitt, Sampson, Tyrell, Washington and Wayne counties.

### CONTACTS:

- Camilla Herlevich, Executive Director
- Janice Allen, Deputy Director
- Jesica Blake, Director of Stewardship and Community Conservation
- Stephanie Borrett, Director of Donor Relations
- Jim Coyle, Business Manager
- Tatum Justice, Stewardship Associate
- Chris Ketchie, GIS Specialist/Stewardship Biologist
- Lee Leidy, Attorney and NE Region Director
- Vann Pearsall, Director of Development
- Beth Steelman, Development Associate
- Anna Wachtel, Development Assistant

### CUMULATIVE LAND PROTECTION

**TOTALS:** Protected 69,681 acres in 226 places. Own fee simple title to 9,733 acres; transferred fee simple title to governments on 8,348 acres. Placed 35,972 acres under conservation agreements; transferred conservation agreements to governments or other organizations on 7,310 acres.

### 2017 LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:

Protected 1,714 acres in five places. Own fee simple title to 995 acres and transferred fee simple title to governments on 436 acres. Placed 283 acres under conservation agreements. Protected 8,318 acres by other means.



**MISSION STATEMENT:** *The mission of the Coastal Land Trust is to enrich the coastal communities of our state through conservation of natural areas and working landscapes, education, and the promotion of good land stewardship.*

## Northeast New Hanover Conservancy

**ADDRESS:** 1513 Futch Creek Road  
Wilmington, NC 28411

**PHONE:** 910-232-8590

**EMAIL:** bushardt@bellsouth.net

**ESTABLISHED:** 1982



**GEOGRAPHIC AREA:** Northeast New Hanover County

### CONTACTS:

- Paula Bushardt, PE, President

**CUMULATIVE LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:** Protected 1,876 acres in eight places. Own fee simple title to 1,053 acres. Placed conservation agreements on 823 acres.

**MISSION STATEMENT:** *The Northeast New Hanover Conservancy's mission is to preserve the natural resources within a 20-square mile coastal area, protect healthy resources, and upgrade those impacted. The Conservancy publicly advocates to preserve and protect these resources through various methods including commissioner meetings, public hearings and written word, and accepts lands in fee simple and under easement to ensure environmental preservation.*

## Piedmont Land Conservancy



**MISSION STATEMENT:** *Piedmont Land Conservancy protects our region's natural lands, farms, and waters for present and future generations. PLC connects people with nature.*

**ADDRESS:** PO Box 4025  
Greensboro, NC 27404-4025  
**PHONE:** 336-691-0088  
**FAX:** 336-691-0044  
**EMAIL:** [info@piedmontland.org](mailto:info@piedmontland.org)  
**WEB:** [www.piedmontland.org](http://www.piedmontland.org)

**ESTABLISHED:** 1990  
**BOARD MEMBERS:** 20  
**STAFF:** 10

**GEOGRAPHIC AREA:** Alamance, Caswell, Forsyth, Guilford, Randolph, Rockingham, Stokes, Surry and Yadkin counties.

**CONTACTS:**

- Kevin Redding, Executive Director
- Kalen Kingsbury, Associate Director and General Counsel
- Dr. Kenneth A. Bridle, Stewardship Director
- Lynne Dardanell, Membership and Outreach Coordinator
- Jeri Donnelly, Office Manager
- Joshua J. Horton-Campbell, Land Protection Associate
- Greg Keener, Development Director
- Palmer McIntyre, Conservation Planner
- Mindy Mock, Land Protection and Outreach Specialist
- Taylor Owens, Database Specialist

**CUMULATIVE LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:** Protected 24,345 acres in 201 places. Own fee simple title to 3,099 acres; transferred fee simple title to governments on 3,808 acres. Placed 14,446 acres under conservation agreements; transferred conservation agreements to governments on 146 acres and to other organizations on 250 acres.

**2017 LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:** Protected 1,286 acres in eight places. Placed 1,286 acres under conservation agreement. Facilitated acquisitions and easements on 842 acres.

## Sandhills Area Land Trust



**MISSION STATEMENT:** *The Sandhills Area Land Trust has a 26-year history of serving as a regional land trust in a six-county focus area. Its mission is to conserve the rich cultural heritage and natural resources of the Sandhills Region, leaving a lasting legacy for future generations.*

**ADDRESS:**  
Street: 140 SW Broad Street  
Southern Pines, NC 28387  
Mailing: PO Box 1032  
Southern Pines, NC 28388  
**PHONE:** 910-695-4323  
**FAX:** 910-695-1087

**EMAIL:** [ntalton@sandhillslandtrust.org](mailto:ntalton@sandhillslandtrust.org)  
**WEB:** [www.sandhillslandtrust.org](http://www.sandhillslandtrust.org)  
**ESTABLISHED:** 1991  
**NUMBER OF BOARD MEMBERS:** 8  
**NUMBER OF STAFF:** 5

**GEOGRAPHIC AREA:** Sandhills Region of South Central NC: Cumberland, Harnett, Hoke, Moore, Richmond, and Scotland; parts of Lee, Montgomery, and Sampson counties.

**CONTACTS:**

- Nancy L. Talton, Executive Director
- Valerie Alzner, Land Steward
- LaDean Seago, Membership
- Jesse Wimberley, LLP Program Coordinator
- Stephanie Wagner, LLP Program Assistant

**CUMULATIVE LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:** Protected 13,778 acres in 90 places. Own fee simple title to 4,007 acres; transferred fee simple title to governments on 1,588 acres and to other organizations on 41 acres. Placed 5,577 acres under conservation agreements; transferred conservation agreements to governments on 1,217 acres and 84 acres to other organizations. Protected 1,264 acres by other means.

**2017 LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:** Protected 221 acres in three places. Own fee simple title to 1 acre and placed 220 acres under conservation agreement.



## Smith Island Land Trust (A Subsidiary of Bald Head Island Conservancy)

**ADDRESS:** PO Box 3109  
Bald Head Island, NC 28461

**PHONE:** 910-457-0089

**FAX:** 910-363-2289

**EMAIL:** shank@bhic.org,  
shepherd@bhic.org,  
milligan@bhic.org

**WEB:** www.bhic.org

**ESTABLISHED:** 1996, merged with Bald Head Island Conservancy in July 2002 (BHIC established 1983).

**BOARD MEMBERS:** 10

**STAFF:** All volunteer



**GEOGRAPHIC AREA:** The Smith Island Complex, the barrier spit that includes Bald Head, Middle and Bluff islands, in the mouth of the Cape Fear River in Brunswick County.

**CONTACTS:**

- Chris Shank, Ph.D, Executive Director
- Caroline Shepherd, CFO, Bald Head Island Conservancy
- Brooke Milligan, Coastal Scientist, Bald Head Island Conservancy

**CUMULATIVE LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:** Protected 118 acres in 41 places. Own fee simple title to 22 acres; transferred fee simple title to governments on 70 acres. Placed conservation agreements on 27 acres.

**MISSION STATEMENT:** *To acquire and preserve historically and ecologically significant lands on Smith Island for the benefit of current and future generations.*

## Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy



**MISSION STATEMENT:** *Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy works to conserve the unique plant and animal habitat, clean water, farmland, scenic beauty, and places for people to enjoy outdoor recreation in the mountains of North Carolina and Tennessee for the benefit of present and future generations. We achieve this by forging and maintaining long-term conservation relationships with private landowners and public agencies, owning and managing land and encouraging healthy local communities.*

**ADDRESS:** 372 Merrimon Ave.  
Asheville, NC 28801

**PHONE:** 828-253-0095

**FAX:** 828-253-1248

**EMAIL:** sahc@appalachian.org

**WEBSITE:** [www.appalachian.org](http://www.appalachian.org)

**ESTABLISHED:** 1974

**NUMBER OF BOARD MEMBERS:** 15

**NUMBER ON STAFF:** 14

**GEOGRAPHIC AREA:** Avery, Buncombe, Haywood, Jackson, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, and Yancey counties in Western NC.

### CONTACTS:

- Carl Silverstein, Executive Director
- Kristy Urquhart, Associate Director
- Michelle Pugliese, Land Protection Director
- Jess Laggis, Farmland Protection Director
- Hanni Muerdter, Stewardship & Conservation Planning
- Marquette Crockett, Roan Stewardship Director
- Sarah Sheeran, Stewardship Associate
- Chris Link, Community Farm & Food Associate
- Cheryl Fowler, Membership Director
- Lisa Fancher, Finance Compliance Director
- Angela Shepherd, Communications Director
- Pauline Heyne, Director of Philanthropy
- Lauren McTigue, Connecting People with the Land Associate
- Elsea Brown, Blue Ridge Forever Coalition Director

**CUMULATIVE LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:** Protected 73,023 acres in 232 places. Own fee simple title to 6,824 acres; transferred fee simple title to governments on 5,643 acres and to other organizations on 35 acres. Placed 32,634 acres under conservation agreements; transferred conservation agreements to governments on 7,717 acres and to other organizations on 290 acres. Protected 19,880 acres by other means.

**2017 LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:** Protected 1,876 acres in 13 places. Own fee simple title to 1,478 acres. Placed 88 acres under conservation agreements and transferred easements to governments on 310 acres.

## Tar River Land Conservancy



**MISSION STATEMENT:** *Tar River Land Conservancy preserves the natural and cultural resources of the Tar River Basin and surrounding areas by working in partnership with private landowners, public agencies and others to protect rural land, riparian corridors and ensure clean water.*

**ADDRESS:** 123 N. Main Street  
PO Box 1161  
Louisburg, NC 27549

**PHONE:** 919-496-5902

**FAX:** 919-496-6940

**EMAIL:** [info@tarriver.org](mailto:info@tarriver.org)

**WEB:** [www.tarriver.org](http://www.tarriver.org)

**ESTABLISHED:** 2000

**BOARD MEMBERS:** 8

**STAFF:** 4

**GEOGRAPHIC AREA:** Edgecombe, Franklin, Granville, Halifax, Nash, Person, Vance, and Warren counties.

### CONTACTS:

- Derek Halberg, Executive Director
- Amy Edge, General Counsel/Business Manager
- Sheryl Munt, Development Associate
- David Thomas, Land Stewardship Specialist

**CUMULATIVE LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:** Protected 19,803 acres in 195 places. Own fee simple title to 3,057 acres; transferred fee simple title to governments on 198 acres. Placed 9,695 acres under conservation agreements; transferred conservation agreements to governments on 5,305 acres and to other organizations on 193 acres, and protected 1,355 acres by other means.

**2017 LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:** Protected 1,623 acres in 13 places. Own fee simple title to 1,604 acres and placed 19 acres under a conservation agreement.

## Triangle Greenways Council

**ADDRESS:** 520 Polk Street  
Raleigh, NC 27604-1960

**PHONE:** 919-828-8322

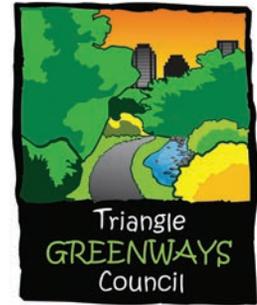
**EMAIL:** [bflournoy@nc.rr.com](mailto:bflournoy@nc.rr.com)

**WEB:** [www.trianglegreenways.org](http://www.trianglegreenways.org)

**ESTABLISHED:** 1985 (1998 as a land trust)

**BOARD MEMBERS:** 8

**STAFF:** All volunteer



**GEOGRAPHIC AREA:** Chatham, Durham, Johnston, Lee, Orange, and Wake Counties.

**CONTACT:**

- Bill Flournoy, President

**CUMULATIVE LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:** Protected 776 acres in 47 places. Own fee simple title to 666 acres; transferred fee simple title to governments on three acres.

**MISSION STATEMENT:** *The mission of the TGC is to conserve land and water corridors connecting the culture of our cities and countryside; past, present and future.*

## Triangle Land Conservancy

**ADDRESS:** 514 South Duke Street  
Durham, NC 27701

**PHONE:** 919-908-8809

**FAX:** 919-755-9356

**EMAIL:** [info@triangleland.org](mailto:info@triangleland.org)

**WEB:** [www.triangleland.org](http://www.triangleland.org)

**ESTABLISHED:** 1983

**BOARD MEMBERS:** 17

**STAFF:** 12



**GEOGRAPHIC AREA:** Chatham, Durham, Johnston, Lee, Orange, and Wake counties.

**CONTACTS:**

- Sandy Sweitzer, Executive Director
- Christine Wilson, Director of Development
- Chris Fowler, Communications Manager
- Leigh Ann Hammerbacher, Associate Director of Conservation & Stewardship
- Bo Howes, Director of Conservation & Stewardship
- George Jones, Associate Manager of Conservation and Stewardship
- Carla Nunn, Director of Finance & Administration
- Kaitlin O'Toole, Development and Administrative Associate
- Matt Rutledge, Associate Manager of Stewardship
- Margaret Sands, Membership and Community Outreach Coordinator
- Walt Tysinger, Senior Land Manager

**CUMULATIVE LAND PROTECTION**

**TOTALS:** Protected 18,611 acres in 201 places. Own fee simple title to 5,051 acres; transferred fee simple title to governments and other organizations on 1,576 acres. Placed 7,789 acres under conservation agreements.

**2017 LAND PROTECTION TOTALS:**

Protected 207 acres in four places. Placed 207 acres under conservation agreements.

**MISSION STATEMENT:** *Triangle Land Conservancy strives to create a healthier and more vibrant Triangle region by safeguarding clean water, protecting natural habitat, supporting local farms and food, and connecting people with nature through land protection and stewardship, catalyzing community action and collaboration.*



# COUNTY-BY-COUNTY INDEX OF LOCAL LAND TRUSTS IN NORTH CAROLINA

Numbers next to each county name correspond to the land trust(s) that serve that area.  
(Land trusts are listed alphabetically by name inside; refer to Table of Contents on page 3 for page numbers of entries.)

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### STATEWIDE:

- Black Family Land Trust
- Conservation Trust for North Carolina
- 1. Blue Ridge Conservancy
- 2. Catawba Lands Conservancy
- 3. Conserving Carolina
- 4. Davidson Lands Conservancy
- 5. Ellerbe Creek Watershed Association
- 6. Eno River Association
- 7. Foothills Conservancy of North Carolina
- 8. Highlands-Cashiers Land Trust
- 9. LandTrust for Central North Carolina
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