

See your 2019 gift in action.

With your 2019 gift you were part of protecting, in perpetuity, 25 new places on the Maine coast and caring for over 140 public preserves and other conserved lands.

If you want to learn more and get the stories behind the numbers, please visit mcht.org/2019-impact.

Thank you for giving to keep the coast Maine!

16,499 pounds of food (that's about **13,750** healthy meals) grown on conserved land for hunger relief agencies, schools, and local businesses

Members of the Teen Ag Crew at work in the extensive gardens at Erickson Fields Preserve.

4,554 people connected to the coast through field trips and public events

The Passamaquoddy drum group *Spirit Circle* performs for over 100 attendees at the community celebration held at Sipp Bay Preserve.

Celebrating 50 years of coastal conservation with you.

In 1970, a couple of people who loved the Maine coast came together to try to save it. They formed Maine Coast Heritage Trust with the mission to protect the best of the Maine coast—the wild islands, pocket beaches, and woods and waters full of life. Over the decades, thousands of people have shared in this vision and stepped up to conserve the Maine coast.

Since its founding, MCHT has evolved to meet the changing needs of Maine's communities, both natural and human. As that evolution continues in the decades to come, one thing remains the same: we're on a mission to keep the coast Maine. See what we've accomplished together so far:



Acres Conserved

Public Preserves

Whole Islands Protected

Miles of Trail

New places conserved in 2019

1,650 coastal acres conserved (that's twice the size of Central Park), including nearly **15** miles of shoreline (that's the distance from Rockland to Lincolnville)

Lands cared for in 2019

38,000 acres monitored and cared for by MCHT's stewardship staff (that's nearly the size of Acadia National Park) including **93+** miles of trail (that's greater than the distance from Ellsworth to Lubec)



Land trust leadership by the numbers

400 attended the annual Maine Land Conservation Conference, which MCHT has been hosting for the past **36** years

4 MCHT staff members presented at Rally: The National Land Conservation Conference

25+ calls, gatherings, and workshops hosted by MCHT on topics ranging from invasive species to storytelling

6,000+ hours of MCHT staff time spent assisting the broader Maine conservation community, including Maine's **84** other land trusts



Brunswick-Topsham Land Trust and MCHT worked together to conserve 80+ acres at Woodward Point, a beautiful coastal peninsula in Brunswick.

6 new preserves created



Members of MCHT's 4-H club encircle a newborn calf at Aldermere Farm Preserve.

258 people (mostly kids) participated in ongoing and in-depth outdoor programs



David Hutchison and Shari Galiardi pose with the bags of trash they collected on the Ed Woodsum Preserve on Marshall Island.

40 bags of trash collected by visitors to island preserves as part of the Trash for Hats project

Stewardship by the numbers

6 preserves with expanded parking

3.2 more miles of trail

7 natural resource inventories conducted (we always keep track of the plants and animals on conserved lands to better care for them)



Morgan Zenter (right) interned with Blue Hill Heritage Trust and worked with the Maine Conservation Corps on a trail rehabilitation project.

10 MCHT conservation interns worked for various land trusts throughout the state.

Donations by the numbers

3,890 made donations to MCHT, including **947** for the first time (record numbers all around!)

104 were part of MCHT's Next Wave (up **24%** from last year)

653 were part of *The President's Circle* (up **7%** from last year)



Volunteers replace old bog bridging at Western Head Preserve in Cutler.

434 volunteers pitched in **3,377** hours (that's the equivalent of nearly two full-time staff members)