



Howard
County
Conservancy

connecting people to nature

Whether hiking our trails,
visiting our two nature centers,
or joining a Conservancy
program, you are our *partner*
in this journey



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2018 HIGHLIGHTS



23,000 children and adults *explored nature* through our interactive programs. Learning about owls, building fairy houses and planting 355 trees on Earth Day were some of the many ways we helped people feel a little closer to nature.

Howard County third graders *helped monarchs on their 2,000 mile migration*. This year, we worked with students to raise monarchs in the classroom, trained their teachers and provided milkweed plantings at every county elementary school.



“This has been such an amazing, unforgettable learning experience for all 3rd grade students and teachers! We can’t wait for our 2019 monarchs!”

St. Johns Lane Elementary Teacher



Our groundbreaking Watershed Report Card program has expanded to reach every 9th grader in the county. And new this year, our innovative 5th grade Bioblitz has expanded to all schools, integrating mapping technology in a *quest to observe all living things*.

“The Conservancy has been a great partner in helping us preserve our land.”

Gary and Stacia Smith, Conservation Easement Donors

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Land preservation advanced in both the eastern and western parts of Howard County with our addition of 160 new acres to permanent preservation.

Staying true to Ruth and Frances Brown’s legacy, this year the farmhouse *returned to its roots*, with historically restored areas that are open to visitors at special events.



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Students reached
18,050

Teachers trained
729



14
Maryland counties
reached

Garden produce
donated to the
food bank
2,533 lbs.



Active Volunteers
220

Free hikes
and talks
42



Total acres
under conservation
1,913



175
Pounds of honey from
11 Beehives

As a local nonprofit, *we need you to join us on this journey.* Whether you make a donation, volunteer your time, or attend our events, together we can connect more people to nature than ever before.



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