OUR MISSION:
WE PRESERVE PARKS TODAY AND CREATE PARK STEWARDS FOR TOMORROW.

OUR VISION:
EVERYONE EXPERIENCES THE ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES OF OUR NATION’S PARKS.
BOARD MEMBER PERSPECTIVE

Life is full of exciting turns, and sometimes these turns bring us full circle. I have vivid childhood memories in Texas of building forts, picnicking, catching bugs, and taking nature walks. After college, I reconnected with the outdoors, which gave me a sense of calm, well-being, and feeling recharged. I trained for marathons at my local park, took up nature photography, and traveled with loved ones to parks worldwide. Every visit reminded me that I am part of something bigger than myself.

Since my daughter Leela was born, spending time outdoors has become a priority. I enjoy watching her form friendships, build confidence, be creative, care for animals, and marvel at the colorful autumn leaves or the parade of stars in the sky. Together we are building a lifetime of memories.

Every child should have the opportunity to be inspired by nature and build their own memories. I realized I needed to be intentional in my actions to protect our parks. When I learned about National Park Trust’s vision and mission and met the team, the decision to join the board was an easy one.

What distinguishes the Park Trust from other organizations? It’s the exceptional people – the staff, board, and partners and how well they work together. The camaraderie and respect they have for each other are inspirational. I am honored to work with this incredible group.

It was no surprise when the Park Trust team quickly pivoted at the onset of the pandemic. Through their work ethic, resourcefulness, and passion, they developed ingenious digital strategies to keep kids and families engaged with public lands from the safety of their homes.

Everything comes full circle when I see my daughter’s smile as she explores the outdoors or when I see the jubilant faces of children who have just experienced the joy of being in a park for the first time. I am confident that we, the National Park Trust family, are being true to our mission. I invite you to join our efforts.

With gratitude,

Aparna Dave

“The Park Trust recognizes the role that public lands and water play in defining and shaping our nation’s character. We acquire essential natural and cultural resources to preserve our national parks. We also know how imperative it is to build on the conservation heritage of previous generations by creating stewards for tomorrow.”

Editor’s Note: Aparna Dave, pictured here with her daughter, joined the board in 2020 and serves as chair of the Communications Committee. She is Senior Vice President and Managing Counsel at Wells Fargo.
OUR PARKS BELONG TO ALL OF US

Millions of people enjoy our nation’s parks every year, but today’s visitors don’t fully represent the rich diversity of our country.

Our programs champion public parks, lands and waters as spaces that are welcoming and accessible to every person in every community.

We believe that they should be cared for, enjoyed by, and preserved by all for current and future generations.
PARKS PROTECT OUR RICH HISTORY AND OUR NATURAL RESOURCES

Since 1983, supporters like you have helped us preserve and protect our national park units. These special places are guardians of our history, culture, and represent some of the world’s most glorious landscapes. Our National Park System preserves all of these resources for future generations.

But our national parks are not complete. Even after America’s beloved national park sites were established, hundreds of thousands of precious ecological, historical, and cultural resources remain unprotected on privately owned parcels of land located within and adjacent to park boundaries.

These are the missing pieces of our national parks.
In 2021, we accelerated our efforts to bring the power of parks to kids in spite of the pandemic. Our impact is a result of 1) our Buddy Bison programs that supported Title I schools, 2) the thousands of kids and families that enjoyed the great outdoors through our military programs, and 3) the hundreds of nonprofits that received funding through our grants programs.

**OUR IMPACT**

- **Participants**: 76,270
- **Schools and Nonprofits Supported**: 239
- **Trips (Virtual and In-Person)**: 279
- **Grant Money Awarded**: $380K +

**YOUTH AND FAMILY PROGRAMS:**

-Marshy Point Nature Center, MD
Thanks to our donors and supporters, we saw continued momentum in our partnership with the National Park Service to preserve even more iconic landscapes, pristine waters, and important historical sites. Since 1983, more than 25,477 acres have been added to our nation’s parks in 32 states, DC and the U.S. Virgin Islands.
SAN ANTONIO MISSIONS NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK, TEXAS

In May 2021, we worked with the National Park Service (NPS) to add 45 acres of historic agricultural fields and a landmark acequia (irrigation canal) to San Antonio Missions National Historical Park (TX), a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The property owner set a timeline for selling the land that NPS could not meet. We purchased and held the property until NPS could accept ownership. This acquisition ensures permanent continuous green space from the banks of the San Antonio River east to the San Juan Acequia and protects this property and its unique historical features from development.

“Thanks to the National Park Trust, the inclusion of these lands within the park’s authorized boundary will enable the park to better protect internationally significant Spanish Colonial features, including the San Juan Acequia.”

— Christine Jacobs, Superintendent, San Antonio Missions National Historical Park
“We are very grateful to the National Park Trust and The Carls Foundation for their generous support of River Raisin National Battlefield Park. Lands related to the Battles of the River Raisin and the battles’ aftermath cannot be preserved without the generosity of partners”.

— Scott Bentley, Superintendent, River Raisin National Battlefield Park

RIVER RAISIN NATIONAL BATTLEFIELD PARK, MICHIGAN

In early 1813, the Battles of the River Raisin brought heartbreak to this Revolution-era settlement, which experienced the most U.S. casualties during the War of 1812. With a generous grant from The Carls Foundation (MI), we provided the final matching funds for the State of Michigan’s Natural Resources Trust Fund Grant. This allowed the City of Monroe to obtain the last financial support needed to buy seven properties on the original battlefield along the River Raisin. Lands acquired will help re-create the cultural landscape at the battle site, including the planting of historic strip gardens.
YOUTH AND FAMILY PROGRAMS

COLLEGE AMBASSADOR PROGRAM
The goal of our new College Ambassador Program is to increase access and introduce diverse college students to the benefits of the great outdoors. Six student applicants were selected representing the University of Central Florida (FL) and James Madison University (VA). Kicking off the 2021-2022 academic year, these ambassadors are leveraging school assets and local connections to plan and implement outdoor activities to engage their campus community, impacting more than 200 college students.

YOUTH LEADERSHIP
Our Youth Leadership Program empowers 4th-12th grade students to support our mission across the country and in their local communities. These “on-the-ground” stewards of parks discover new public lands and waters, host park events, and lend a helping hand in their community. In December, one of our student ambassadors, Miles Jilg (pictured first row, center), worked with our team to provide school supplies to Jennings Creek Elementary School in Kentucky after they were devastated by recent tornadoes.

Our student ambassadors enjoy sharing what they learn and experience through their social media platforms and blog posts.
BUDDY BISON PROGRAMS
Whether it be bringing kids to parks, or parks to kids, we continued supporting our Buddy Bison school partners during the pandemic. For each of our under-served elementary and middle schools, we provided visits to local parks as well as virtual live ranger visits with parks far away. By supporting teachers and their classroom curricula in science and history, we benefited 10,062 kids in 191 schools, representing 26 states and Washington, DC.

KIDS TO PARKS DAY SCHOOL GRANTS PROGRAM
2021 was a unique year for the Kids to Parks Day School Grants Program. To meet school COVID protocols, we focused our funding on distance learning opportunities. In all, 56 scholarships were awarded to 26 schools, serving 2,161 students in grades K-12, representing 14 states and Washington, DC.
21ST BRUCE F. VENTO PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD
In our second virtual Vento Award ceremony, we honored Senator Patty Murray (WA) for her extraordinary work to protect our nation’s parks, public lands, and natural resources. She sponsored over 20 bills, resulting in the creation of more than 1 million acres of federal wilderness. She was also the chief architect of the 106,577-acre Wild Sky Wilderness in Snohomish County (WA) and a passionate supporter for full funding of the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

THE “BUDDY” AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATOR
We surprised Hawai‘i teacher Christopher “Topher” Pike with our 2021 National Educator Award for Outstanding Environmental Stewardship. This annual award recognizes an exceptional educator who has made a significant impact on their students’ understanding of the natural world. Through multiple Kids to Parks Day Grants, Topher and his students discovered the wonders of several of their local parks for the first time, including Hawai‘i Volcanoes National Park. His students now understand their important role in stewarding these resources.

FRANK LEE RUGGLES 1966 - 2021
In July, we were deeply saddened to learn of the sudden loss of our beloved friend and colleague, Frank Lee Ruggles, a conservation photographer and Army veteran who served as our first Artist Ambassador for nearly 7 years. A former eminent photographer for the National Park Service’s Digital Imaging Project and author of Chasing Light, An Exploration of the American Landscape, Frank was passionate about the importance of engaging children with the wonder and beauty of our public lands and waters.

We will continue to honor his legacy by sharing his iconic national park photos, many of which are included in this annual report.
EXPANDING ACCESS TO PARKS

HELPING PARKS REACH MORE KIDS

In 2021, with funding from the National Park Foundation, we helped 6 national park sites create, curate, and share digital learning experiences. Our partnership with National Mall and Memorial Parks (DC), Gateway National Recreation Area (NY), Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park (GA), Indiana Dunes National Park (IN), Gateway Arch National Park (MO), and Ulysses S. Grant National Historic Site (MO) benefitted 4,303 kids at 139 schools.

PARKPASSPORT™ MOBILE APP

Our free ParkPassport mobile app provided expanded access to public lands and waters resources. 435 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers lakes & rivers were added to the app in addition to hundreds of new digital resources including virtual tours, interactive exhibits, live webcams, and educational videos.

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With gratitude for your continued support during the pandemic, the Park Trust is honored to recognize the following generous donors who supported our mission and programs with a gift of $100 or more during the 2021 fiscal year (July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021). We have made every effort to ensure the accuracy of this list. If you find an error, please contact Dolores McDonagh at dolores@parktrust.org.
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Many thanks to our members for including us in their estate plans.

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* Founding Member
DONOR SPOTLIGHT

We are excited to highlight our partnership with the Andrew R. and Janet F. Miller Foundation. For the Millers, giving is a family affair. In 2017, when they decided to establish their family foundation, Janet and Andrew (pictured right with their son) brainstormed with their three children about the issues and causes they wanted to support. Two themes emerged – environmental conservation and education. After learning about National Park Trust’s mission and our two strategies for preserving national parks and creating future park stewards, they wanted to learn more.

“We love traveling to national parks like Yosemite, Yellowstone and Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore with our kids, but we knew there was a whole population of kids who might not have those opportunities. So the Park Trust’s education programs fit well with our foundation’s mission to promote public access and educational opportunities,” explained Janet. Both Andrew and Janet have careers in real estate, so they also appreciate the expertise and experience that we provide for acquiring the “missing pieces” of national parks.

Executive Director Grace Lee praised the Millers for their generosity and foresight in how they use their foundation to support nonprofits: “We so appreciate the foundation’s willingness to provide targeted grants to programs like our Treasure Forever Fund as well as annual unrestricted support so critical to all our programs.”

To learn more about the many ways you can support the Park Trust, visit our website: parktrust.org or contact Dolores McDonagh at dolores@parktrust.org.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Donations to National Park Trust support our efforts to protect our national parks and create park stewards for the future. There are many ways to make a difference for our parks. Every gift is important and meaningful to us!

Become a Monthly Donor. This is one of the easiest ways to ensure that we have the resources needed to respond quickly to requests for help from parks or schools whenever the need arises.

Check out your company’s matching gift program to possibly double (or triple) your impact.

Include the Park Trust in your estate plans. Consider a bequest or designating the Park Trust as a beneficiary of your 401(k) plan or Donor Advised Fund.

Make a gift of appreciated stocks or securities and you may realize tax benefits (Charles Schwab, DTC: 0164, Code 40, Account #3801-6879).

Check climateride.org to sign up for one of their trips – or design your own – and select National Park Trust as the beneficiary of your fundraising efforts. It’s a fun way to turn your next hike, bike or run into gifts for the Park Trust.

Become a program sponsor: You can make a difference by sponsoring a Buddy Bison School, student ambassador or supporting one of our park preservation funds.

Visit parktrust.org/ways-to-support to learn how you can make a difference or contact Dolores McDonagh at dolores@parktrust.org; 301-279-7275, ext. 15. National Park Trust is a nonprofit charitable organization 501(c)(3) Tax ID #52-1691924.
In 2020-21, National Park Trust’s income and support allowed us to meet $2,873,540 in total expenses. 87.7% of our resources were used for our park preservation and youth education programs. In addition, we earned a top ranking of “A” with Charity Watch, have met all 20 criteria of the Better Business Bureau Wise Giving Alliance, and have earned a perfect score of 100/100 from Charity Navigator. We also are a Platinum-Level participant with GuideStar with a demonstrated commitment to transparency. We are good stewards of our parks and your gifts!

**FUNDING SOURCES**

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**EXPENSES**

- **PROGRAM SERVICES:**
  - Youth Programs: $1,209,648
  - Lands and Parks Programs: 1,235,546
  - Grants Management: 73,700
  - **TOTAL PROGRAM SERVICES:** 2,518,894

- **SUPPORTING SERVICES:**
  - General and Administrative: 171,533
  - Fundraising: 181,113
  - **TOTAL SUPPORTING SERVICES:** 354,646

- **TOTAL EXPENSES:** $2,873,540

**NET ASSETS**

- **Without Donor Restrictions**
  - Undesignated: $1,115,487
  - Board-Designated Property Held for Exempt Purposes: 1,548,339
  - **Total Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions:** 2,663,826
  - With Donor Restrictions: 1,869,895
  - **TOTAL NET ASSETS:** $4,533,721

Our complete audit and IRS 990 are available on our website.
Yosemite National Park, CA, photo by Wayne Hill

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