Annual Report

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2021

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Dear Friends,

I am pleased to present our FY2020–2021 Year in Review, my first report as Executive Director of the Trust. Appointed in October 2020, it has been my honor to assume leadership of the organization as we work with our partners and friends to navigate the challenges and opportunities of recovering and reconnecting with each other as the COVID pandemic begins to wane. I look forward to our work together on behalf of New York’s state public lands.

This report highlights how the Trust has continued to successfully raise, manage, and administer funds to benefit public projects and programs in parks, historic sites and public lands throughout New York State. At the close of our fiscal year (March 31, 2021), the Trust held just over $59 million in total assets, including more than $32 million for permanent endowments. We managed over $18 million in program and activity revenues, donations, grants, and corporate sponsorships, while expending approximately $12.4 million in support of a wide variety of exemplary projects.

2020 was a year of tragic loss, unprecedented challenge and remarkable resilience. As New York State responded to the pandemic on every level, our public parks and open spaces provided an outlet for respite, relaxation, exercise, and relief. Since the beginning of the crisis, New York’s state parks were kept safely open thanks to dedicated staff and with the help of supportive and committed partners. As we emerge from the darkest days of the pandemic, our parks and outdoor spaces continue to be a ray of light. Families and friends are gathering again outdoors, enjoying our state’s green spaces, waterfronts and trails. As we rebuild after the pandemic, parks will continue to be there for all of us.

Our success has always been made possible by the steadfast commitment of our friends and patronage of our donors. We are deeply grateful to our agency partners—the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (OPRHP), the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), and the NY Department of State (DOS)—and to the many individuals, businesses, foundations and communities for their investment in the Trust. You have been there for us and we are here—and will continue to be here—for you.

Gratefully,

Sally Drake
Executive Director
Erik Kulleseid, Chair
Commissioner, Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (OPRHP)
Erik Kulleseid has been serving as Parks Commissioner and as the Chair of NHT since 2019. Previously, Mr. Kulleseid served as Senior Vice President, Parks and Policy Program for the Open Space Institute. He co-founded the Parks Program (originally the Alliance for New York State Parks) at OSI, along with State Council of Parks Chair Lucy Waletzky and former State Parks Commissioner Carol Ash in 2010. During his tenure at OSI Mr. Kulleseid secured $30 million in private and public funds to support improvements and expand recreational access to state parks, including the Jones Beach Revitalization Plan, the Humphrey Nature Center at Letchworth State Park, Thacher Park Center, Denny Farrell Riverbank State Park, and a number of transformational projects at Minnewaska State Park Preserve. Commissioner Kulleseid graduated from Yale College, has a Law degree from Stanford Law School and a Forestry Master's degree from the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies.

Lucy R. Waletzky, M.D.
Chair, State Council of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (SCOP)
Dr. Lucy Waletzky has been Chair of the Taconic Region Parks Commission since 2004 and Chair of the State Council of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (SCOP) since March 2007. Under her leadership at SCOP, the Council’s role has expanded with regional commissioners becoming more engaged in private fundraising, helping to build stronger community relationships and advocating to support and protect parks. Dr. Waletzky founded the Open Space Institute's Alliance for New York State Parks program in 2010, an initiative devoted to the restoration and support of New York's state parks. Through this partnership and her enduring support of other groups and organizations, Dr. Waletzky is, and continues to be, an unfailing and powerful voice in conservation, earning her numerous environmental awards. Most recently she was the 2018 recipient of OSI's Land Conservation Award.

Basil Seggos
Commissioner, Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC)
Since his appointment in 2015, Commissioner Seggos has managed programs promoting a clean, healthy and accessible environment and supporting world-class outdoor recreation on state lands and waters. In addition to advising the Governor on environmental policy and issues, he serves on a variety of boards including the Adirondack Park Agency (APA), Delaware River Basin Commission, the Great Lakes Commission, Hudson River Park, the NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC), the NYS Drinking Water Quality Council, the New York State Energy and Research Development Authority (NYSERDA), the Olympic Regional Development Authority (ORDA), the Susquehanna River Basin Commission, NYS Energy Planning Board. He received his B.A. from Trinity College and earned his law degree from Pace University. Commissioner Seggos is a Captain in the U.S. Army Reserve.

Rossana Rosado
Secretary of State, Department of State (DOS)
Prior to being named the Secretary of State in 2016, Secretary Rosado was the first woman to serve as Editor and Publisher of the largest Spanish-language newspaper in the country, El Diario La Prensa, for which she earned numerous awards including an Emmy and a Peabody Award for Journalism. Secretary Rosado is equally accomplished in her roles in public service as she served on the board of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey from 2012 to 2015 and was recently reappointed to that role in 2017. She also chairs Governor Cuomo's Council on Community Re-entry and Reintegration of New Yorkers returning from prison, and served on Governor David Paterson's Task Force on Juvenile Justice. In addition to being a member of John Jay College's Foundation Board of Trustees since 2012, she was a Distinguished Lecturer at the John Jay College of Criminal Justice prior to joining the Cuomo administration. Secretary Rosado received her B.A. in journalism from Pace University.
Autism Nature Trail at Letchworth State Park Breaks Ground

Construction has started on a first-of-its kind nature trail at Letchworth State Park designed for people with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) and other developmental disabilities. The Campaign to Build the Autism Nature Trail (ANT), with support from the State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, has raised $3 million toward a full $3.7 million goal. Fundraising will continue to establish an endowment for long-term maintenance and programming on the mile-long trail, which is designed to address the sensory needs of people with ASD, a range of conditions characterized by challenges with social skills, repetitive behaviors, speech and nonverbal communication.

Activities along the Autism Nature Trail will support and encourage sensory perception, while also providing enjoyable activities for visitors of all abilities and ages. Adjacent to the Humphrey Nature Center at Letchworth State Park, the trail and stations will be marked with signage telling visitors what to expect as they approach each curve of the trail and station – an important addition creating purposeful consistency and predictability for visitors.

The Campaign to Build the Autism Nature Trail at Letchworth State Park is supported by several organizational partners within New York State, including the Natural Heritage Trust, Camp Puzzle Peace, Letchworth State Park, Perry Central School District and the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation. For more information or to contribute to ongoing work to fund quality programming at the site, visit: autismnaturetrail.com.
Jones Beach Energy and Nature Center Opens

The innovative Jones Beach Energy and Nature Center (JBENC) completed construction and opened to the public in September 2020 thanks to a partnership between New York State Parks, PSEG Long Island, the Long Island Power Authority, New York Power Authority, the Natural Heritage Trust and other state and local groups. The $32 million year-round facility continues the State’s revitalization of the historic park and will highlight the unique aspects of the park’s topography, wildlife habitats and ecosystems. Visitors will learn about New York State’s ongoing clean energy initiatives through exhibitions and programming, and will be encouraged and empowered to practice environmental stewardship. The Trust is currently administering a grant from the Rauch Foundation to develop the “Energy & Us” secondary school curriculum. Developed with local educators, the curriculum will be offered at the JBENC to students from schools throughout the region, creating an immersive and hands-on educational experience focused on sustainability and conservation.

Empire State Trail Opens

In December 2020, Governor Cuomo announced the completion of the Empire State Trail, the nation’s longest multi-use trail. The 750 total miles of trail—75 percent of which is off-road—are ideal for cyclists, hikers, runners, cross-country skiers and snow-shoers. The trail runs from New York City through the Hudson and Champlain Valleys to Canada, and from Albany to Buffalo along the Erie Canal. The Empire State Trail is expected to draw 8.6 million residents and tourists annually.

Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Gateways

Along the Erie Canalway Trail section of the Empire State Trail, The Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Foundation funded four gateways to provide a welcoming connection for trail visitors at key access points: Buffalo Harbor State Park in Buffalo; at the western entrance to the Erie Canal in Tonawanda; at Five Locks Park in Lockport; and in Genesee Valley Park in Rochester. The gateways include kiosks featuring local and statewide trail information, bicycle racks and shaded granite block seating. Each gateway features a “Ralph C. Wilson, Jr.” memorial plaque honoring the late owner of the Buffalo Bills. The Foundation provided $2.6 million dollars for the gateways.
Supporting Outdoor Recreation and Tourism Across Regions

With the support of a grant from the Northern Border Regional Commission, (made possible in part with a Rural Business Development Grant from USDA Rural Development) the Trust is partnering with the Department of State, State Parks, and the Hudson Valley Greenway to develop a marketing and promotional campaign to draw visitors and outdoor recreation enthusiasts to the sections of the Empire State Trail that connect communities to New York’s northern border region. Recreational tourism has significant economic impact on the many small businesses and attractions located along the trail.

Western New York Greenways

The Trust continues to administer over $13 million in Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation grant funding for Western New York greenway and trail projects, which will ensure completion of 30 miles of the Genesee Valley Greenway and allow planning and assessments for the Niagara Shoreline Trails network. Funding from the Foundation is bridging the gaps in the Niagara River Greenway, envisioned more than a decade ago as an unbroken trail along the Niagara River.

Connect Kids to Parks:

Expansion Creates Ladders to the Outdoors

Building on the success of the Connect Kids to Parks Field Trip Grant Program and with the support of the Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation, the Trust has partnered with State Parks to launch the “Ladders to the Outdoors” program in Western New York. The program addresses the lack of equitable access to outdoor recreational spaces, recreational equipment, transportation, and skills development opportunities in under-served communities. To remove barriers to access, the intent of the program is to provide free equipment and instruction for robust programs like swimming, hiking, biking, boating, camping and sports.

The Trust will continue to support the expansion of the Ladders to the Outdoors program. Donor support of the program will expand access to free recreational experiences at parks throughout the state.

The Trust also continued to support the Learn-to-Swim program at New York State parks. Although curtailed due to COVID, several programs were safely offered in 2020, providing young swimmers important access to instructional swim classes and safe, outdoor fun.
New Partnership Supports the Bike Library at Shirley Chisholm State Park

A new public-private partnership between State Parks and the Natural Heritage Trust—with generous funding from the Con Edison Power of Giving program, the Jamaica Bay-Rockaway Parks Conservancy and Bloomberg Philanthropies—launched in early 2021 to support the third season of the Bike Library at Shirley Chisholm State Park. This funding, administered by the Trust, will support the program’s staffing and operations, including a program director, bike mechanics and instructors.

The Bike Library loans free bikes with helmets so park visitors can explore 10 miles of car-free paths with beautiful vistas in the park. The Library will also offer bike riding classes for all ages—Learn to Glide and Ride—plus two Bike Swaps. In addition to donations to support the program, the Bike Library also accepts donations of bikes and supplies.

Natural Heritage Trust Adopts Sustainable Investment Strategy

In January 2021, the Board of Directors approved an update to the Trust’s investment policy that aligns our core mission of being responsible stewards of the environment and public lands with our investment strategy. By incorporating Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) criteria into our investment decisions, the Trust encourages sustainable business practices and ethical behavior of companies and helps ensure that our fiscal stewardship reflects the environmental and social values inherent in our mission.

Learn more about all the projects supported by the Trust. Visit our new website and sign up for our newsletter.

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Financial Highlights

Balance Sheet - All Funds
as of March 31, 2021

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Endowment Market Values

The NHT administers funds for thirteen permanently endowed parks and sites. Annual endowment distributions support the cost of operating, maintenance and public programming.
Careful financial stewardship has guided the Natural Heritage Trust’s mission for over 50 years, resulting in a robust organization prepared to expand the impact of private philanthropy and strategic partnerships throughout New York State.
### Summary of Changes - Operating Funds
#### as of March 31, 2021

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<td>Contributed (In-Kind) Services</td>
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<td>Other</td>
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<td>Professional Services</td>
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<td>Excess Revenues Over Expenditures</td>
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<td>Net Position Beginning of Year</td>
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<td><strong>Net Position End of Year</strong></td>
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**Jacque Cartier State Park**

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The Natural Heritage Trust collaborates with the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (OPRHP), Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) and Department of State (DOS) to identify sources of private investment to supplement state support for our natural, recreational and historic resources. Since 1968, millions of private dollars have been secured to support programming, capital projects, environmental and outdoor education, natural resource protection, and historic preservation throughout the state. The Trust is dedicated to building and sustaining relationships with private supporters to protect and enhance these programs and projects.

Endowments and Major Gifts
As of FY2020-21, the NHT managed over $32 million in separate long-term investment/endowment accounts. The NHT manages 13 dedicated endowments statewide. NHT endowment funds are invested to provide an ongoing source of annual income. Earnings from these accounts support the restricted projects and programs for which the funds were raised. The NHT continues to actively expand its endowment portfolio.

Foundation Support
During FY2020-21, the NHT received support from a wide array of foundations, trusts and not-for-profit organizations. In some instances, the NHT receives annual distributions from entities with funding dedicated for the benefit of specific parks and facilities. In other cases, the NHT is awarded foundation grants in support of specific programs and/or projects.

Friends’ Groups
As part of its overall mission, the NHT builds and maintains partnerships with a variety of Friends and other mission-congruent groups. The NHT collaborates in a number of ways—in some cases acting as a fiscal agent, and in some situations the NHT receives funds raised by the Friends in order to support a specific park or site.

Statewide Programming, Agency Initiatives and Collaborations
The NHT provides support to its state agency partners by soliciting and securing public and private funding via grants, donations, program income and other funds to enhance the agencies’ abilities to carry out their respective missions by supplementing limited state resources. Through our cooperative relationships, the NHT provides agencies and friends groups with support in investment management and administrative functions for specific projects and programs.
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Lucy Waletzky, M.D.

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Sarah Berg
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Martin & Theresa Miskell

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Katherine Buck
Judith Daleo
Loretti DiBenedetto-Ciamillo
Michael Dondero
Kevan Knoche
Michael & Kathy Mazza
Kathleen McLaughlin
Nelson Sterner
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Sloane Paullus
Linda Purdy
David Reichauer & Debra Carey
Barb Rosenfield
Lawrence & Sharlene Sacco
Lydia Serota
Foundations

Anne & John J Walsh Foundation
Deering & Volpicella Family Fund
Charles & Helen Reichert Family Foundation
Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo
Dyson Foundation
E & W G Foundation
Greene Van Arsdale Foundation
Gullo Family Foundation
Herrnstein Family Foundation
Peter, Sally & Christopher Humphrey Fund
John & Marcia Goldman Foundation
Joseph Takats Foundation
Klish Family Charitable Fund
Lewis J & Cleelia M Serventi Family Foundation
Long Island Community Foundation
Mark L. Serventi Family Foundation
Mary Conable & Norman Gayford Charitable Fund
O’Flaherty Family Foundation
Perry Rotary Foundation
Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation
Rockefeller State Park Preserve Conservancy
Shido Trust
The Neel Foundation
The New York Community Trust
USA Swimming Foundation
Vitagliano Family Foundation

Community, Friend & Government Groups

A Living Tribute
Albany Public Library
American Conifer Society
Bayard Cutting Arboretum Horticultural Society, Inc
Bayard Cutting Arboretum Trust
Bayport-Blue Point Public Library Benevity Community Impact Fund
Blackbaud Giving Fund
Boy Scouts of America – Troop 888
City of Batavia
Council of Park Friends, Inc.
Empire State Huskies
Finger Lakes Cycling Club
Friends of Allegany State Park, Inc.
Friends of Fahnestock and Hudson Highlands State Parks
Friends of John Jay Homestead, Inc.
Friends of Letchworth State Park
Friends of Midway State Park
Friends of Mills Mansion
Friends of the Minna Anthony Common Nature Center
Gardens Buffalo Niagara
Genesee Kiwanis Foundation, Inc.
Grafton Trail Blazers, Inc.
Henry Mager Scholarship Fund
High Hill Striper Club
Iron Workers Local 9
Kiwanis Club of Batavia
Kiwanis Club of Brockport
Kiwanis Club of Greece New York Foundation
Kiwanis Club of Mt. Morris
Kiwanis Club of Nunda Foundation, Inc.
Kiwanis Club of Pembroke Corfu Darien Inc.
Kiwanis Club of Southwest Rochester
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Thank You
We are honored to publicly acknowledge and sincerely thank our many donors, partners, and sponsors who contribute to the preservation of New York State’s natural resources and historic treasures. This past year our supporters have given to the Trust in a multitude of ways and at a variety of levels. Contributions, both large and small, have enhanced programs and projects that directly benefit parks, conservation and historic preservation. We deeply appreciate the personal commitment and dedication of our generous supporters.

Get Involved
For over 50 years, thousands of individuals and private organizations have contributed financial resources that make the work of the Natural Heritage Trust possible.

You can make a tax-deductible contribution to the NHT in the form of cash, stocks, mutual fund shares, or donor-advised funds to support operations, programs and capital projects. Many companies will match your donation and you can send your employer’s matching gift form with your donation.

The NHT accepts memorial and tribute gifts to remember and honor family members and friends. These gifts can celebrate the special people, events and milestones in your life. When your memorial or tribute gift is received, the NHT will send a personalized letter to the person you indicate, notifying them of your thoughtful gift.

You can also make a legacy gift by including the Natural Heritage Trust in your estate planning through a bequest or other means. The NHT offers options for permanently named endowments to support a specific park or region.

For more information, please contact Sally Drake at 518-474-2997. You can make a donation securely online at www.naturalheritagetrust.org or mail a check directly to:

Natural Heritage Trust
625 Broadway
Albany, New York 12207
The Natural Heritage Trust is deeply grateful to the many essential workers at our partner agencies who worked tirelessly over the last year to keep public lands safe and open for all New Yorkers and who contributed to the State’s pandemic response.

Thank you!
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**Jenny O’Neill**  
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