

**We Conserve.
We Collaborate.
We Build Community.**



**CONSERVATION
TRUST**
FOR NORTH
CAROLINA
LAND WITH PURPOSE

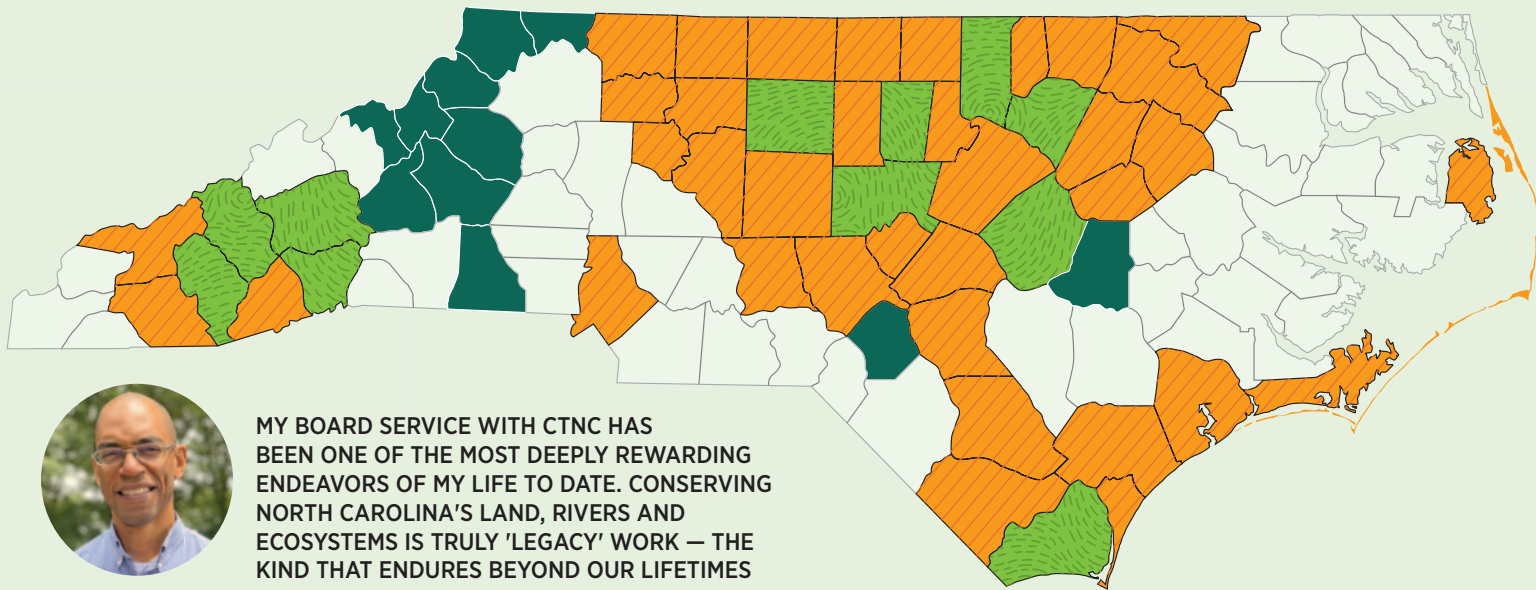
2024 Annual Report

July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024

STATEWIDE impact grew at CTNC this year, reaching 60 counties through land protection, community resilience, and advocacy efforts. Together with our partners, we're building the foundation for a stronger, empowered North Carolina, prepared to meet challenges presented by our growing population and our changing climate. From the mountains to the coast, the roots of our commitment to conservation and collaboration continue to grow.

CTNC'S STATEWIDE PRESENCE

- Counties with **CTNC Protected Land**
- Counties with **Resilience Corps NC Members**
- Counties with **Resilience Corps NC and Protected Land**



MY BOARD SERVICE WITH CTNC HAS BEEN ONE OF THE MOST DEEPLY REWARDING ENDEAVORS OF MY LIFE TO DATE. CONSERVING NORTH CAROLINA'S LAND, RIVERS AND ECOSYSTEMS IS TRULY 'LEGACY' WORK — THE KIND THAT ENDURES BEYOND OUR LIFETIMES ON EARTH. THERE IS PERPETUAL JOY IN CONSERVATION WORK.

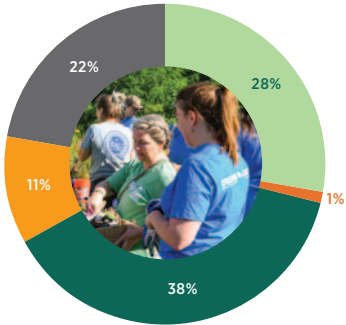
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We are grateful to the CTNC community of supporters for your steadfast support.

**Total Operating
& Program Revenue**

Excluding land transactions

\$2,111,059

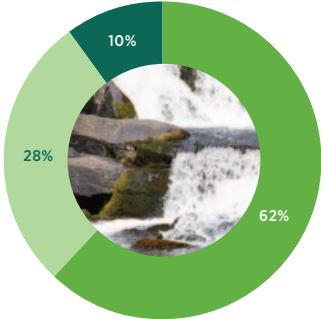


● Individual Contributions	28%
● Corporate Support	1%
● Government Grants	38%
● Foundation Support	11%
● Program Revenue	22%

**Total Operating
& Program Expenses**

Excluding land transactions

\$2,016,885



● Program Services	62%
● General & Administrative	28%
● Fundraising	10%

CONSERVE CTNC leverages your gifts and government support to conserve land, and provide grants and loans to other land trusts, making more conservation wins possible. This is restricted revenue, not available for operations. Over the 23-24 fiscal year, **our land protection team used these funds to conserve mature forests, untrammled wildlife habitat, and scenic views along both the Blue Ridge Parkway and the nearby Mountains-to-Sea Trail.** CTNC also provided 3 loans to 2 partners totaling \$1,616,980 and awarded \$90,572 in small grants to 4 partner land trusts. A list of awardees can be found on the back cover.

COLLABORATE CTNC helps lead, and is the financial administrator for, the Land for Tomorrow Coalition. Locking arms with 30 other land trusts and NC environmental organizations, the coalition lobbies the NC General Assembly to **strengthen public funding and policies** that support the conservation of our state's precious streams, rivers, forests and working farms. **We are celebrating a huge win with the re-passage of the NC Conservation Tax Credit** for donated easements, which we achieved through bipartisan legislative advocacy. CTNC continued to work alongside the NC Department of Environmental Quality to ensure that low-resource communities suffering the severest impacts of flooding benefit from planning and funding resources being made available through the state's emerging flood resilience Blueprint.

BUILD COMMUNITY

Resilience Corps NC, CTNC's statewide AmeriCorps program, helped build flood resilience, decrease urban heat, mitigate wildfire threats, and increase enthusiasm for conservation.

24 service members placed in **48 counties.** Mobilized **1,114 volunteers.** Engaged **22,842 North Carolinians** through environmental education and outreach events. Removed **786 lbs. of sediment from the Cape Fear River.** And supported **15 grant applications** on behalf of local communities to bolster resilience work.



I WAS DRIVEN TO CONSERVATION BY MY LOVE FOR NORTH CAROLINA'S MOUNTAINS AND MY DESIRE TO ACTIVELY PROTECT SOMETHING I TRULY CHERISH. FORTUNATELY, CTNC'S MODEL IS REPLICABLE. THE LESSONS WE'VE LEARNED OVER THIRTY YEARS CAN BE APPLIED ACROSS THE STATE TO CONSERVE LAND AND STRENGTHEN VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES.

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CTNC BOARD PRESIDENT

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Mountain Revolving Loan Fund: Grand Awardees and Loan Recipients

Blue Ridge Conservancy

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Highlands-Cashiers Land Trust

Mainspring Conservation Trust



DONATE

Every gift we receive goes toward work that conserves, collaborates, and strengthens communities.



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Conservation Trust for North Carolina conserves land in ways that inspire and enable people to build resilient, just communities.

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