

2021 Annual Report

History and Mission

The Davis Conservation Foundation is a public charitable foundation founded in 1989 by Mr. and Mrs. H. Halsey Davis of Falmouth, Maine, in support of their concern for protection of the environment and conservation of our natural resources. Its broad purpose is the wise utilization, protection and advancement of our physical environment and the different natural forms of life which inhabit it – including wildlife, sea life and mankind as they are impacted by the environment. The Foundation supports organizations whose areas of interest include projects and activities related to wildlife, wildlife habitat, environmental protection or outdoor recreation. Projects which strengthen volunteer activity and outreach/community involvement in the above categories are of particular interest.

Policies and Application Procedure

The Foundation accepts applications only from organizations that are tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the IRS code and not private foundations under Section 509(a) of the code. The Foundation has a 509(a)(3) status and is prohibited from making grants to other 509(a)(3) organizations. The Foundation will need evidence of the applicant's 501(c)(3) and 509(a) status.

The Foundation does not make grants to individuals, nor does it support annual giving campaigns, deficit reduction, scholarships, fellowships, loans or travel. The Foundation does not normally make multiple-year gifts. In order to support as many worthwhile organizations as possible, the Foundation discourages organizations that receive a grant from submitting subsequent requests within 24 months from the deadline date. In addition, declined applicants should not submit a request for the same project within 12 months from the deadline date.

The Foundation's highest geographic priority is Northern New England, particularly projects involving the Northern Forest and the Gulf of Maine. Grants are made infrequently in Southern N.E. or outside of New England.

The Trustees meet in May and November to consider requests. The respective submission deadlines are April 1 and October 1. Applications for deadlines that fall on a holiday or weekend must be received by the next business day. The Foundation does <u>not</u> accept applications via e-mail or mail. You may access the online application and submission guidelines by visiting our website. Proposals are judged on their merits and in comparison to others received. The Foundation normally notifies applicants of the Trustees' decision within one week of each regular meeting, and applicants receiving grants may expect to receive payment within a month of notification. Organizations that receive grants from the Foundation are required to submit completion reports.

Please direct questions to:

Davis Conservation Foundation

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Davis Conservation Foundation Balance Sheet December 31, 2021

ASSETS

Interest and dividends receivable Investments	\$ 62,790 38,361,117
Other assets	390
Total assets	\$ 38,424,297

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$	32,723
Due to related parties, net		53,163
Total liabilities		85,886
Net assets		
Without donor restrictions	38	3,338,411
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 38	3,424,297

Davis Conservation Foundation Statement of Activities Year Ended December 31, 2021

Changes in net assets without donor restrictions	
Revenues and gains	
Net return on investments	<u>\$ 6,509,352</u>
Total revenues and gains	6, 509,352
Expenses	
Grantmaking	
Grants, net of returns	791,677
Grant related expenses	70,458
Total grantmaking expenses	862,135
General and administrative	47,029
Total expenses	909,164
Change in net assets without donor restrictions	5,600,188
Net assets, beginning of year	32,738,223

\$ 38,338,411

Net assets, end of year

Davis Conservation Foundation Grants Made and Payable During the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Acton Shapleigh Youth Conservation Corp, Springvale, ME Continue the Erosion Control Crew at Current Level of Service	\$11,000
Allagash Wilderness Waterway Foundation, Bangor, ME Allagash Inventory, Ecological Assessment, and Long Term Monitoring (NRIM)	\$20,000
American Friends of Canadian Nature, Toronto, ON Engaging Community Volunteers in the Care of Nature	\$10,000
Appalachian Mountain Club, Boston, MA Restoring Trout and Salmon Habitat in Maine's 100-Mile Wilderness	\$15,000
Appalachian Trail Conservancy, Harpers Ferry, WV Restoring Endangered Atlantic Salmon Habitat on Henderson Brook	\$15,000
Atlantic Salmon Federation, Brunswick, ME Walton's Mill Dam Removal and Park Revitalization	\$15,000
Blue Hill Heritage Trust Inc., Blue Hill, ME Wallamatogus Mountain Conservation Project	\$10,000
Boothbay Harbor Waterfront Preservation, Boothbay Harbor, ME Building the Boothbay Harbor Eastside Waterfront Park	\$10,000
Boothbay Region Land Trust, Inc., Boothbay Harbor, ME Ovens Mouth East Invasive Species Removal	\$5,000
Cape Elizabeth Land Trust, Cape Elizabeth, ME Conservation of Maxwell Farm, Cape Elizabeth	\$10,000
Center For Coastal Studies Inc., Provincetown, MA Monitoring gray seal and white shark behavior: coastal bluff observations.	\$7,010
Center For Wildlife, Inc., Cape Neddick, ME Native Seabird Conservation: Barometers for Greater Marine Habitat Health	\$5,000

Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens, Boothbay, ME Learning Apiary	\$5,000
Coastal Mountains Land Trust, Camden, ME Learning Landscapes - Outdoor Education Programs	\$15,000
Cobscook Community Learning Center, Trescott TWP, ME Sustaining and Expanding Outdoor Recreation and Ecological Exploration Programs	\$7,500
Cold Hollow to Canada, Montgomery, VT Community Outreach for Northern Forest Land Conservation & Stewardship	\$8,500
Frenchman Bay Conservancy, fiscal sponsor for Downeast Conservation Network, Hancock, ME Strengthening Collaboration on Conservation, Stewardship, and Recreation in Downeast Maine	\$10,000
Downeast Lakes Land Trust, Grand Lake Stream, ME Downeast Lakes Land Trust Headquarters Project	\$10,000
Downeast Salmon Federation, Columbia Falls, ME Critical Salmon Habitat Restoration and Climate Change Resilience Project	\$15,000
Five Rivers Conservation Trust, Concord, NH Pletcher Farm Conservation Easement	\$10,000
Forest Stewards Guild, Santa Fe, NM Forestry for Maine Birds, Fish, and Climate Change Resiliency	\$10,000
Friends of Casco Bay, South Portland, ME Baykeeping: Climate Change and Community Action	\$20,000
Friends of Lower and Middle Lead Mountain Ponds, Hancock, ME Creating Fish Passage and Protecting Wetland Habitat at Lower Lead Mountain Pond	\$20,000
Great Works Regional Land Trust, Ogunquit, ME GWRLT Trail Map and Website Update	\$10,000
Hearty Roots, Inc., Bristol, ME Connecting Children to Nature with Outdoor Adventure Programming	\$15,000
High Peaks Alliance, Farmington, ME Conserving the Perham Stream Birding Trail	\$25,000

Hinesburg Land Trust Inc., Hinesburg, VT Hinesburg Town Forest Carse Addition & Conservation Project	\$10,000
Kennebec Land Trust, Winthrop, ME Hewett Oak Hill Campaign	\$10,000
Maine Association of Conservation Districts, fiscal sponsor for Knox- Lincoln Soil & Water Conservation District, Portland, ME Conservation Landscape Certification	\$7,400
Lake Wesserunsett Association, Skowhegan, ME Increasing Conservation Activity in the Lake Wesserunsett Watershed	\$5,290
Lake Winnipesaukee Association, Guilford, NH Melvin River Habitat Assessment and Restoration	\$5,000
Lakes Environmental Association, Bridgton, ME LEA Trail Systems Repairs and Upgrades	\$5,300
Lubec Community Outreach Center, Lubec, ME Lubec Community Outreach Center's Summer Rec and Enrichment Program (SREP)	\$10,000
Maine Adaptive Sports & Recreation, Newry, ME Access for ME - expanding outdoor recreation access for all	\$7,100
Maine Audubon Society, Falmouth, ME Who are those bugs in my stream and what do they tell us about water quality?	\$19,759
Maine Center for Coastal Fisheries, Stonington, ME Building a Coastal Observing and Monitoring Network in the Eastern Gulf of Maine	\$25,000
Maine Coast Heritage Trust, Topsham, ME Woodward Point Accessible Trail	\$25,000
Maine Farmland Trust Inc, Belfast, ME Protecting the Agricultural Land and York River Habitats of the Blaisdell Brothers Family Farm	\$15,000
Maine Master Naturalist Program, Augusta, ME Maine Master Naturalist Course in Washington County	\$12,000
Maine Natural History Observatory, Gouldsboro, ME Building Capacity: Tracking the Status of Maine Seaweeds	\$16,200

Maine Outdoor Wellness Center, Turner, ME Maine Outdoor Wellness Center Nordic Skiing and Mountain Bike Trails	\$20,000
Maine Timber Research and Environmental Education Foundation, Augusta, ME 2021 Forests of Maine Teachers' Tours	\$10,000
Massachusetts Audubon Society, Lincoln, MA Joppa Flats Salt Marsh Resilience Project	\$9,968
Midcoast Conservancy, Edgecomb, ME Purchasing Perkins Property to Protect Liberty Woods & Sheepscot River	\$20,000
Midcoast Outdoor Leadership Initiative, Camden, ME After School Outdoor Expedition programming for 5th-8th graders	\$5,000
National Audubon Society Inc., Bremen, ME Growing and Sustaining Tern Nesting Habitat in Maine	\$5,000
National Audubon Society Inc./DBA Audubon Vermont, Huntington, VT	\$15,000
Advancing the Scope and Scale of Bird-Friendly Maple	
Natural Resources Council of Maine, Augusta, ME Healthy Waters	\$15,000
Northeast Wilderness Trust, Montpelier, VT The Bramhall Preserve: Habitat for Moose, Brook Trout & Mature Forest Birds - Bridgewater Hollow, Vermont	\$10,000
Northern Forest Canoe Trail, Inc., Waitsfield, VT Expanding Recreational Opportunities along Maine's Moose River	\$9,500
Portland Parks Conservancy, Portland, ME Protecting Portland's Parks and Open Space through Volunteer Engagement	\$10,000
Portland Trails, Portland, ME Engaging Community Volunteers in Land Care	\$10,000
Presumpscot Regional Land Trust, Gorham, ME Creating a Conservation Corridor and Welcoming Multi-Use Trail System	\$15,000

Rich Earth Institute, Brattleboro, VT Expanding Rich Earth's Outreach, Education, and Volunteer Engagement Campaign	\$4,000
Society For The Protection of New Hampshire Forests, Concord, NH Creek Farm Education and Outreach Classroom Upgrades	\$10,000
Somerset Woods Trustees, Skowhegan, ME Weston Woods & Waters Expansion	\$10,000
South Portland Land Trust, South Portland, ME Digging In: Engaging Diverse Communities in Conservation Work	\$12,500
Three Rivers Land Trust, Alfred, ME Sanford Community Forest Project	\$25,000
Town of Brunswick, Brunswick, ME Merrymeeting Park	\$15,000
Town of Burke Vermont, West Burke, VT Burke Community Forest	\$25,000
University of New Hampshire Foundation, Inc., Durham, NH Great Bay Eelgrass Restoration Volunteer Monitoring and Community Engagement	\$13,650
Vermont Natural Resources Council Inc., Montpelier, VT Updating the Vermont Parcelization Website to Capture New Land-Use Trends	\$5,000
Vermont Youth Conservation Corps, Inc., Richmond, VT Jobs, Skills & Access in the Green Mountain National Forest	\$15,000
Windmill Hill Pinnacle Association, Athens, VT Lily Pond Highlands Parcel Acquisition and Conservation	\$15,000
Phippsburg Land Trust, fiscal sponsor for Winnegance River Herring Commission, Phippsburg, ME Winnegance River Herring Fishway Repairs	\$10,000

TOTAL GRANTS \$801	,677
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