Dear friend of the Valley,

As I reflect on 2019, it seems like a different world. None of us imagined we’d now be facing a pandemic that has rapidly altered human life on every scale, globally and here in the Valley. Despite new daily constraints and future uncertainties, one thing remains unchanged: We still need the land that sustains all life—the health of our communities depends on it.

That’s why we want to thank you for what you helped Kestrel Land Trust accomplish in 2019. And, with your generous membership support, Kestrel’s staff, board, and volunteers are continuing this vital work right now. Together, every year, day in and day out, we are:

- conserving more forests to help in the fight against climate change,
- protecting more farms to provide a reliable source of healthy, local food, and
- creating and caring for more public parks and trails for people’s physical and mental health.

This work is possible because you are with us: Thank you for being a part of the Valley’s land conservation community.

Kristin DeBoer
Executive Director

2019 Land Conservation Projects

977 ACRES CONSERVED

2,720 ACRES FORESTS

1,555 ACRES PARKS & TRAILS

812 ACRES FARMLAND

4,110 ACRES IN PROGRESS

DOZENS OF NEW INQUIRIES ABOUT CONSERVING FORESTS AND FARMS COME IN ALL YEAR LONG!

119 ACRES OF FOREST HABITAT
conserved in Northampton as part of Brewer Brook Forest

23 ACRES ON MOUNT TOM
provide new state park public access in Easthampton

193 ACRES OF FARM & FOREST
conserved for new food bank farm & public trails in Hadley & Amherst
2019 Highlights:
YOU made it all POSSIBLE!

CARE: FOR THE LANDS YOU LOVE
Conserving the land is only the first step. With your support, Kestrel staff and volunteers visit and assess the condition of conservation lands around the Valley every year.

CONNECT: PEOPLE AND THE LAND
50 KIDS & TEENS were empowered through Kestrel’s partnership with EAGLE EYE INSTITUTE, HOLYOKE BOYS & GIRLS CLUB, BIG BROTHERS/BIG SISTERS, & THE CARE CENTER.

GIVE: A LEGACY FOR THE LAND
An avid hiker with a passion for travel, Belchertown resident Helga Ragle cared deeply about about the Pioneer Valley where she lived for most of her adult life.

CREATE: PARKS & TRAILS FOR EVERYONE
8 MILES of new trails created & existing trails enhanced at 7 conservation areas
80 NEW TRAIL SIGNS installed on Mt. Holyoke Range & Mt. Tom State Park
121 VOLUNTEERS gave 880 HOURS to monitor conserved lands, improve trails, enhance wildlife habitat, connect people to the land with events, & provide office support.

2019 Financial Overview
Member donations are the foundation of Kestrel’s budget and are multiplied tenfold when our team secures public funds, as well as landowner and other private donations, to conserve and care for Valley lands. In 2019 your financial support helped Kestrel leverage more than $6.36 million to protect 977 acres of forests, farmland, and riverlands. Thank you!

Conservation Restrictions:
Private or town-owned lands for which Kestrel holds a legal obligation to ensure the land is used only for conservation purposes.

Fee Lands:
Kestrel owns and manages the land.

2019 Funds Raised:

- Public Funds*: $4,781,381
- Landowners: $208,637
- Individuals: $1,345,000
- Foundation Grants: $454,476
- Other Income: $268,071

Total: $7,057,565

2019 Funds Spent:

- Land Conservation: $6,368,818
- Project Management, Community Programs & Operations: $615,948

Total: $6,984,766

 Kasım 2019'ün Gelirleri

2019 Fınlar Toplantısı

- Körfeksiyon Sözleri: Özel veya kasaba sahipliği alanlar için Kestrel, ilişkin hukuki yükümlülüğü ile garanti edildiği şekilde arazi sadece koruma amaçları için kullanılması gerekiyor.

- Kestrel sahibi ve yönetimi arazi.

2019 Finansal Değerlendirme

Kurucu bağışlar Kestrel bütçesinin temelleri olarak ve bizi bütçe politikalarında belirli hedeflere ulaştırmamızı sağlar. 2019 yılında sizin finansal desteğiniz, Valley'ın ormanları, tarımsal arazileri ve inek bahçelerini korumak için 977 hektar koruma alanı korumamızı destekledi. Teşekkür ederiz!