

CAPITAL REGION  
LAND CONSERVANCY 

# ANNUAL REPORT

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*Protecting the Places & Land You Love*

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## Organizational Overview

### OUR MISSION

The Capital Region Land Conservancy (CRLC) is Central Virginia's only land trust dedicated solely to serving the City of Richmond and Chesterfield, Henrico, Hanover, Goochland, Powhatan, New Kent, and Charles City counties. Our mission is to conserve and protect the natural and historic land and water resources of Virginia's Capital Region for the benefit of current and future generations.

### CONSERVING LAND IN THE CAPITAL REGION

At CRLC we educate landowners about voluntary land protection tools, facilitate the process of donating conservation easements, and co-hold conservation easements with other land trusts. Although there are other Richmond area organizations which serve a variety of conservation needs, CRLC fulfills a unique role because it is the only regionally-focused land conservancy. CRLC exists to increase the amount of conserved land in the Capital Region, and it alone devotes its resources to increasing area landowners' knowledge of conservation easements and other land protection tools, and by assisting landowners during the often lengthy and confusing easement donation process.

Conservation easements are voluntary legal agreements that place permanent limits on future development in order to protect the land's conservation values. Each easement is unique and negotiated between the landowner and the public agency or conservation organization that holds the easement. Except for rights explicitly given up in the easement document, the landowner continues to own, use, and manage the land. The land can be farmed, hunted, sold and passed to heirs.

Since its inception in 2005, the Capital Region Land Conservancy has facilitated the protection of over 6,000 acres and 34 miles of stream frontage in the Richmond region.



**Powhatan County**



**Goochland County**

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## The Faces of Conservation

### IN 2013...

Our outreach efforts included continuation of the Our Land and Water Campaign, which works to protect our region's drinking water, ambient water and to help restore the Chesapeake Bay through strategic land conservation in the Richmond region. Achievements this year included:

- Facilitating three conservation easements in 2013 alone including
  - the 513-acre Schweickert property on the James River in Powhatan adjacent to Belmead
  - the 116-acre Bicentennial Binns Farm in New Kent County
  - 81 acres in Goochland County
- Working personally with six new landowners to assist in conserving their land;
- In conjunction with the Office of the Governor, hosting an educational event for landowners along the Pamunkey River about their land conservation options;
- Conducting a guided hike of Atkins Acres Community Park, Chesterfield County's newest park protected in large part through CRLC's efforts;
- Hosting exhibit booths at various events attended by over 6,000 people;
- Conducting, with our partners, four educational seminars for landowners on land conservation tools and benefits;
- Mailing of two newsletters to 800 citizens to educate them about the public benefits of land conservation and the work of CRLC;
- Presenting at three civic and community group meetings;
- Attracting over 15 new committed CRLC members;
- Garnered seven press mentions discussing CRLC's conservation work and the relationship between land conservation and water quality in such publications as the *Midlothian Exchange*, *The Chesterfield Observer*, *Appalachian Woodlands Magazine*, *Virginia Business*, *Powhatan Today*, and the Piedmont Environmental Council publication *Conservation Stories*.



**Edward Binns and mother**



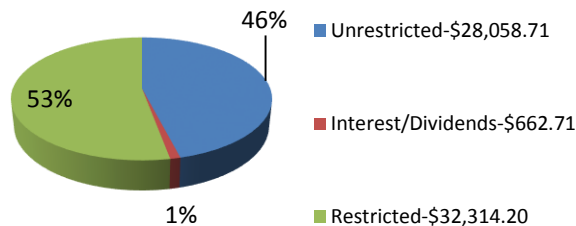
**Gail and Reed Schweickert**



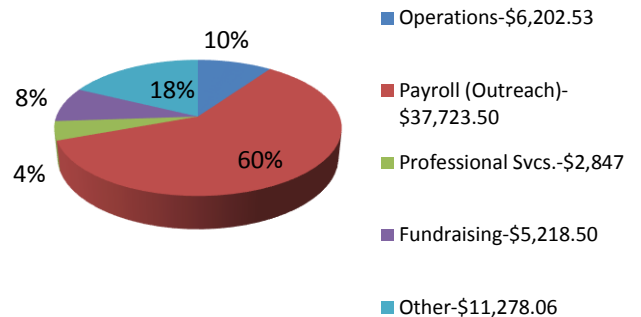
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## Financial Summary

### Income-\$61,035.62\*



### Expenses-\$63,270.59



\* beginning total assets were \$120,343.91 at 01/01/2013 and year-end total assets were \$118,200.72.

## 2013 CONTRIBUTORS



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 ...and numerous individual donors, including CRLC's Board of Directors.

CRLC uses its funding to conduct outreach to inform landowners about conservation tools, to educate the public and community about the benefits of land conservation, and to facilitate the donation of conservation easements. Due to the size of the 2013 budget, CRLC did not have its financial statements audited.

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