



## **Georgian Bay Land Trust – An Investment in the Future**

Thinking about the future? Think about the Georgian Bay Land Trust. Are you concerned about whether your grandchildren and their children will be able to experience the Georgian Bay that you have come to know and love? Invest in the future. Become a member of the GBLT.

Long term protection of ecologically, culturally and/or historically important land in the Georgian Bay area is the role and commitment of the Georgian Bay Land Trust. The Trust does this by receiving or purchasing properties throughout the area (donors receive a charitable receipt). Thanks in part, to the GBLT working with colleagues in the land trust movement, recent changes in Canadian tax law reduce the capital gain for ecological gifts.

For more information on this or for other land donation information, contact the GBLT. The Trust, usually in cooperation with local resident associations, assumes the responsibility for managing and monitoring the land to ensure that the properties are not developed, but preserved in their natural state, thus protecting the character of that part of Georgian Bay. The Trust also assumes responsibility for various expenses related to the properties, i.e. taxes, insurance.

The Trust works in partnership with landowners, local resident associations, governments and other like-minded organizations to accomplish its goals. In partnership with the Nature Conservancy of Canada, The GBLT has embarked on a major fund raising effort to create an endowment fund which will ensure the long-term financial stability for the organization. This endowment fund will be used to purchase important properties as well as to cover insurance and taxes on existing properties. Consider becoming a Founder by contributing to this special fund.

For more information about The Trust, as well as gorgeous pictures of Georgian Bay, check the GBLT web site at [www.gbtl.org](http://www.gbtl.org) – or contact us at the address below. For an investment of as little as \$100, you can become an annual member of the Land Trust, supporting the long-term protection of land in the Georgian Bay area. Members receive regular newsletters and invitations to Trust events. The web site describes the various categories of commitment - benefactors, founders, leaders and friends. Join hundreds of fellow Bay residents and become a member to day. Working together we can preserve our heritage in The Bay.

Make an investment in the future: be a part of the Georgian Bay Land Trust.

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