



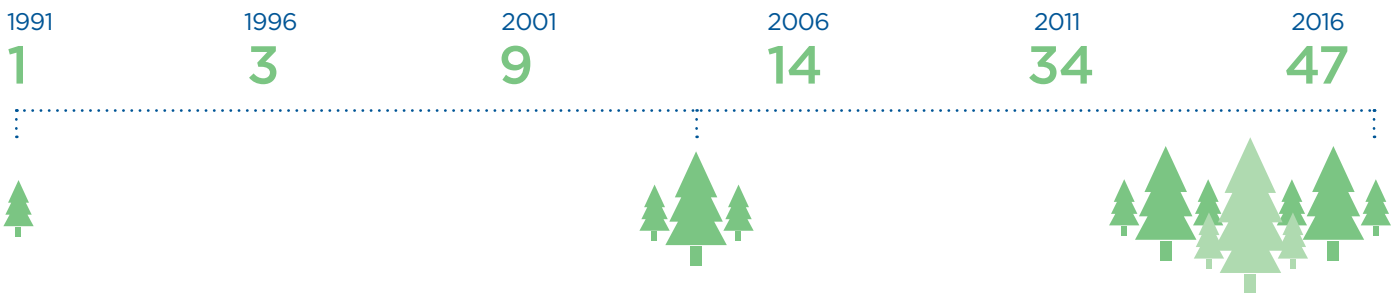
annual report 2016

celebrating 25 years of  
wilderness conservation

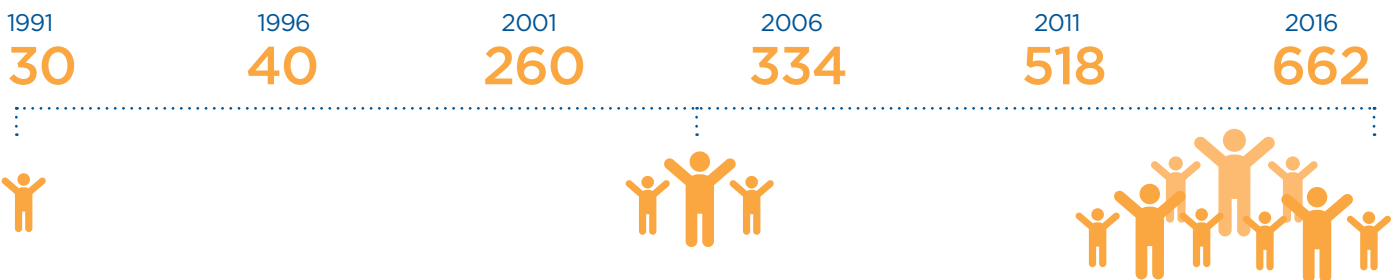
# 25 YEARS

of Protecting Wilderness 1991-2016

## Number of Protected Properties



## Annual Supporters



## Protected Habitat Types



# Dear Friends

## some of our accomplishments this year

In 2016, Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) took notice of GBLT's important conservation efforts, and we joined a small handful of other Canadian land conservancies recognized by the ECCC this year for significant contributions towards the preservation of Canada's biodiversity through Ecological Gifts. The honour arose out of our work in establishing the 51 acre Kofman Moose Bay nature refuge. The refuge is an ecological jewel providing habitat for ten species at risk, five being identified during the first site inventory alone.

Grants from the Ontario Trillium Foundation and Environment and Climate Change Canada accelerated the securement of ecologically important lands. The notable increase in 2016 in the number of wilderness properties coming under protection is very gratifying and we fully expect that upward trend to continue. Grants to enhance communication outreach are building awareness of the importance of land conservation within our biosphere.

### Our Thanks and Appreciation to All of You

To grow an organization requires talented, hard-working and passionate directors, staff, advisors and volunteers. We wish to thank our staff: Brooks Greer, Sarah Koetsier, Irina Denissova and Jason Wagar. All of these fine individuals' efforts made 2016 a very successful year. Brooks has made our Conservation Quest Program blossom from a seedling in 2013 to a program providing over 500 children with in-the-field conservation learning. He has initiated and guided important Species at Risk (SAR) inventorying and electronic monitoring of SAR on GBLT properties. Sarah Koetsier with important guidance from Committee Chair Jen Kernaghan developed all of GBLT's numerous new communications pieces, distributed these materials far and wide, all while organizing a record number of summer events and with Jen, did a brilliant job organizing our fall Bayscapes fundraiser. On top of all that she handled our Social Media and webpage and admin. support for the ED & office.

Our many thanks to our summer students Tilly Cook and Anne Hughes who did a wonderful job stewarding and delivering an inspiring Conservation Quest Program. In closing, our greatest thanks to our very strong, multi-talented and capable Board of Directors who in 2016 brought their experience, professional ability, wisdom and direction to bear on new initiatives: accelerated land protection, differentiating our communications messaging, expanding our stewardship efforts (SAR monitoring), expanding the number of Land Protection Committees to 18 from 1 active one, and ensuring very positive growth in our stewardship and education endowed funds. To our Secretary, Treasurer and all Committee Chairs, thank you so much for a job well done! We also wish to thank those advisors who stepped up to provide their wisdom. Our advisors are our corporate memory - a critical and continuing reason for our success.

### See you all this summer!



*Our Board Chair Janny Vincent will be assuming the role of Past Chair in mid-2017. I know that all of you who have worked with Janny recognize and appreciate the exceptional leadership she has displayed during her term as our corporate leader. Her watch leaves behind a mature GBLT that has grown in so very many ways. With an ability to listen and build consensus, to gently guide both people and important issues, to provide sound direction and bring passionate inspiration to all around her, Janny is an example to all of us on how to conduct ourselves for success. Our pillars of land conservation, stewardship, conservation education and research have grown from adolescence to adulthood during her tenure. In her first year she provided much needed guidance and encouragement to an ED new in his role. Thank you Janny from all of us for caring so much and putting everything you had into your volunteer role!*

Bill Loughheed

*It has been my pleasure and honour to serve as the Chair of the GBLT for the past three and a half years. I know that the organization will be well served by my successor, the very able Jan Ruby.*

*During my tenure, I met many wonderful supporters, worked with an incredibly talented and committed Board of Directors and staff, got to know so many generous donors and just thoroughly enjoyed the entire experience. So, to everyone I have met and worked with I thank you.*

*I would like to particularly thank Bill Loughheed, who started as our Executive Director around the time I took on the job of the Chair. He and I were new to each other and both were new to our respective jobs.*

*Bill is an incredibly dedicated person with skill sets that constantly amaze me. Whether it is setting up Motus bird tracking stations, doing inventories with Brooks, erecting tent floors at our research station at the Brebeuf Lighthouse Island or learning the intricacies of land trust administration - he is always available to chat, to discuss and to step up. I have learned a great deal from him and am glad to consider him my friend.*

Janny Vincent

# WHAT WE DO

## Strategy

Using science to identify and prioritize key habitats for conservation so that species at risk are protected and our coastal ecosystem remains resilient.

## Securement

Conservation Agreements and/or Ecological Land Gifts

Securing ecologically significant lands to protect habitats and species and to create open spaces for community enjoyment.

## Education

Bringing communities together and cultivating the next generation of conservationists that will protect our land and species.

## Research

Advancing scientific knowledge by collaborating with academic partners and using our properties to support research in the biosphere.

## Stewardship

Working alongside communities to monitor and maintain wilderness lands forever.



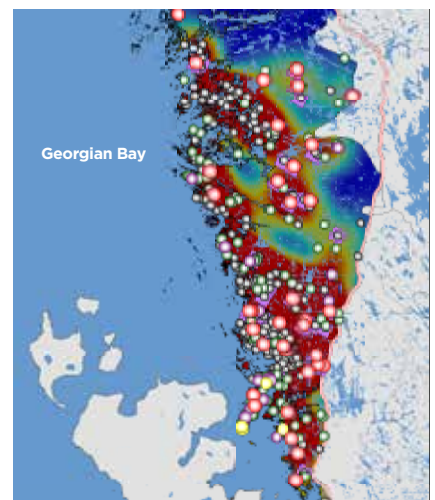
# PLAN

Our land protection activities are grounded in a scientific plan for the conservation of priority habitat in the eastern Georgian Bay watershed.

Through our Natural Area Conservation Plan, developed in conjunction with the Nature Conservancy of Canada, we prioritize land for conservation based on a series of targets including biodiversity, habitat connectivity, and at-risk species.

In 2016, we began making plans to update the Natural Area Conservation Plan (NACP), which was last completed in 2011. The new NACP will include the latest information on habitat changes and species sightings, and will incorporate planning for climate change resiliency and corridors for species movement. Stay tuned for more developments!

2016 also marked the beginning of a targeted outreach program to owners of the most ecologically significant land in southeastern Georgian Bay. With support from the Ontario Trillium Foundation, the GBLT created a suite of communications materials designed to inform these landowners of the significance of their land and the conservation opportunities that are available to them. This is an important step forward for the GBLT as we work to ensure that critical habitat is protected throughout eastern Georgian Bay.



**10** conservation targets used to identify priority habitat

**500+** landowners of ecologically significant land identified

**\$54,000** in funding from the Ontario Trillium Foundation to conduct outreach to priority landowners



# PROTECT

## The momentum of land trust activity has continued to build through 2016.

The key driver to Georgian Bay Land Trust's evolving stature is people's growing awareness of our conservation focus. We are singularly dedicated to protecting Georgian Bay's natural diversity through conservation measures. Conservation is what defines us and is a key resonating factor with people who are invested in protecting our natural heritage. We believe that as we build on this thesis it will accelerate growth in a substantive and progressive way.

Backing this growth is our strong and dedicated office staff. Everyone shares in a life-long passion for Georgian Bay and this underlying fact is a paramount underpinning on which we are building our success.

Thanks to everyone for your amazing kindness in preserving the beauty of Georgian Bay.

**Dave Bunston**, *Land Protection Chair, Pointe au Baril*

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## New Properties

We welcomed three new protected properties and finalized the transfer of four others in 2016.

The following properties, either partially or entirely donated by American citizens, were until this year protected by American Friends of Canadian Land Trusts and stewarded by the Georgian Bay Land Trust. Ownership was formally transferred to the GBLT in 2016.

*St. David's Island*

**Ingersoll Island** **47 acres** Sans Souci

**Price Island** **3.3 acres** Pointe au Baril

**Rattlesnake Island** **10 acres** Pointe au Baril

**St. David's Island** **13.4 acres** Pointe au Baril



*Ingersoll Island*



*Price Island*



*Rattlesnake Island*

# PROPERTIES

## **Crane Lake Reserve** 1 acre **Crane Lake**

The Crane Lake Reserve serves as an important habitat connection between a significant interior wetland and the shoreline of Crane Lake. One of the Land Trust's few inland properties, it boasts more extensive soil development than is common on coastal Georgian Bay, and includes Sugar Maple and Eastern Hemlock forests, as well as a small representation of Eastern White Cedar and Red Oak.

## **Steamboat Channel Reserve** 35 acres **Pointe au Baril**

Protecting some of the last remaining old growth white pine forest on Georgian Bay, the Steamboat Channel Reserve is a significant conservation success for the Pointe au Baril community. The property is a documented home to several species at risk, including the Eastern Foxsnake and Whip-poor-will, and its natural shoreline has long been a treasured kayaking and canoeing destination for local residents. This property will remain in its natural state thanks to the generosity and tireless efforts of community members over many years of negotiations – congratulations and thank you to all involved!

## **Kofman Moose Bay Reserve** 51 acres **Wah Wah Taysee**

The Kofman Moose Bay Reserve protects 51 acres of extremely high quality coastal and rock barren habitat just south of O'Donnell Point in the Wah Wah Taysee community. This is ideal habitat for many of Georgian Bay's species, including the five at-risk reptiles positively identified there: Northern Map Turtle, Snapping Turtle, Eastern Milksnake, Eastern Ribbonsnake, and Massasauga Rattlesnake. Due to its wonderful diversity, the Kofman Reserve was selected by the federal Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change as one of four signature protected properties to be showcased and celebrated in 2016.



*Crane Lake Reserve*



*Steamboat Channel Reserve*



*Kofman Moose Bay Reserve*

# STEWARD

The GBLT remains committed to looking after our properties fastidiously. We strive to set the highest standard for property care and conservation. We do this with the help of our 115 volunteer stewards who look after each of the GBLT-owned properties. That we have so many dedicated volunteers is a testament to the importance Georgian Bayers attach to our work.

We have two well attended educational meetings for the stewards each year. This year Gregor Beck of Bird Studies Canada spoke to us about "Wildlife Barometers", and gave instruction on differentiating between similar-looking Georgian Bay reptiles. At the fall meeting Karl Schiefer spoke about "Georgian Bay: The Unique Ecosystem."

Our staff Brooks Greer and Bill Loughheed make sure every property is covered, and provide for ongoing inventories. The summer students are important in caring for our more visited southern properties; the Pointe au Baril Marine Patrol perform the same stewarding duties on our 14 properties local to them. We have important community partners who we help and support to advance conservation and research activities. These include White Squall, the Ontario Land Trust Alliance (OLTA) and the Georgian Bay Biosphere Reserve (GBBR).

*We are very grateful to our volunteers and donors for their help in preserving the Georgian Bay we all love.*

**Jim Cooper**, *Stewardship Chair, Cognashene*

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**115** dedicated volunteer stewards

**160** property reports submitted

**2300+** visitors explored our properties

**14** bags of sedum acre removed from The Lizard

**15+** cleanups of garbage and other messes

**3** stands of invasive Phragmites tackled

**50+** different bird, reptile, mammal, and amphibian species spotted enjoying our properties

*Dedicated  
Sandy Island Steward,  
George Martincek at  
our phragmites cutting day*



*Anne Hughes  
& Tilly Cook with  
cut Phragmites on  
Giant's Tomb*



*Junior Stewards - Bodie, Brooke, and Cobie McGibbon  
visit The Lizard with their grandparents,  
longtime stewards Ian and Maureen McGibbon*



# LEARN

At the Georgian Bay Land Trust, we're always interested in learning more about the species on our properties and contributing to conservation-oriented scientific research. Below are a few of the projects we were a part of in 2016.

## 1. Ontario Land Trust Alliance (OLTA) - Species at Risk monitoring

OLTA scientists Alison Howson and Toby Thorne visited three GBLT properties multiple times over the summer to collect data on at risk species. Together with GBLT staff, they installed bat recorders which successfully identified little brown bats, and identified several at-risk reptiles living on our properties. These findings not only allow us to better protect these species on our properties, but also contribute to a provincial database that informs conservation efforts throughout the province.

## 2. Georgian Bay Biosphere Reserve (GBBR) - Massasauga gestation site study

Glenda Clayton of the GBBR led surveys on three GBLT properties to identify Massasauga Rattlesnake gestation sites, in year one of an ongoing monitoring project. Results from this study will lead to a better understanding of reproduction and gestation trends among Massasaugas, and help to identify habitat changes that may be impacting this at-risk species' ability to reproduce.

## 3. John Urquhart - Snake Fungal Disease study

Herpetologist John Urquhart visited both Sandy Island and Giant's Tomb, and collected data to contribute to his study of Snake Fungal Disease among Massasauga Rattlesnakes and Eastern Foxsnakes. This life-threatening fungus has recently been identified among Ontario's snakes, and John and others are working to identify the distribution and origin of the fungus.

## 4. Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNR) - Bird call sampling

Mary Garvey and her colleagues from the MNR installed a recording device in the Port Severn Wetlands property intended specifically to identify any occurrences of King Rails (endangered) or Least Bitterns (threatened). Data from this study will help estimate population size and distribution of these two species throughout Ontario, identify critical habitat for the birds, and contribute to the province's conservation strategy.



# INSPIRE

Getting people excited about conservation and engaging responsibly with their local environment is a core part of the GBLT's mission. We ran 16 public events in 2016 which brought communities together to learn about, care for, and explore their environment. The kids' Conservation Quest program continued to be a hit, reaching more children than ever. We also focused on sharing educational material through our communications channels, including the LandScript newsletter (redesigned this year) and social media, whose reach increased by 36% in 2016. It is so rewarding to see people of all ages getting to know the natural world around them. The engagement we're seeing bodes well for the future of conservation.

**Jen Kernaghan**, *Communications Chair, Pointe au Baril*

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## Conservation Quest

Kids ages 8-11 continue to enjoy the Conservation Quest program, where they discover how to identify Georgian Bay's bird calls and fish species, learn how to be an environmentally-responsible resident and visitor, and even have a chance to get up close and personal with some of our local reptiles. In 2016 support from the TD Friends of the Environment Foundation allowed us to expand Conservation Quest to reach nearly 500 kids in camps and communities around the Bay.

## Education for All

We love bringing communities together to learn about their environment through nature walks, guest speakers, and other educational events. Here are just a few that took place in 2016:

**A. Nature walk** on Sandy Island with herpetologist John Urquhart

**B. Summer Rock Walks** with geologist Dr. Nick Eyles

**C. Advanced Reptile Workshop** presented by Reptiles at Risk



# GOALS

looking ahead

## PLAN

Increase awareness of conservation opportunities among owners of ecologically significant land through targeted outreach and seminars

Update our Natural Area Conservation Plan to reflect the latest data and scientific understanding to prioritize key targets for conservation

## PROTECT

Protect more ecologically sensitive land by finalizing several projects currently in progress

## STEWARD

Continue to care for our protected properties through careful monitoring and community stewardship efforts

## LEARN

Contribute to cutting-edge scientific research and large landscape-scale conservation initiatives through the Motus bird tracking program and other collaborative efforts

## INSPIRE

Inspire Georgian Bay residents and visitors of all ages to learn and care about their environment through hands-on activities and stewardship initiatives

# FINANCIALS

## Investment Committee

The Georgian Bay Land Trust is pleased to report a very positive return on our trust investment for the year 2016. Our funds grew from an opening balance of \$1,580,541 to \$1,766,014 representing a year over year investment return of 11.73% after all fees and expenses.

The GBLT's ongoing target and Canadian Revenue Agency (CRA) obligations lead us to distribute 4% of our funds to general purposes. The intention is to meet goals and to achieve long term stable asset growth matching the profile and needs of the GBLT mandate. The fund is invested in a broad grouping of conservative and established Canadian equities plus 10% of preferred shares and 30% US stocks.

The overall balance of this Fund has proudly grown from \$1,040,473, January 1st, 2012 to \$1,766,014, as of December 31st, 2016 after all investment returns, donations and withdrawals. This represents an annual compounding growth of 11.16%. I would like to thank my committee members: Sandy Boyd, John Catto and David Doritty, who have been very helpful in guiding the GBLT Investment Committee.

**David Browne**, *Investment Chair, Sans Souci*

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## Fundraising Committee

While the summer of 2016 seems like a distant memory to many of us, it will be remembered as another terrific year for the GBLT.

Momentum continues to build with individual donations up 10% over 2015. In a year where the organization was without a Director of Development for the second half of the year, hats go off for all the hard work by many, especially the wonderful leadership provided by Bill Loughheed and his team.

Notable fundraising events that continue to help us connect with the Georgian Bay community were the following: Rock the Bay (held annually in August), the Scotiabank Charity Challenge at the Toronto Waterfront Marathon, and of course November's Bayscapes Bash + Auction. These events, as well as many of our other activities, would not be possible without the generosity of the following Corporate sponsors: Georgian International, Topper Linen, C.C. Tatham & Associates, Desmasdons, Payne Marine, Vincent Associates, Georgian Bay Beer, A&A Services and Marine Contracting, Ian MacDonald Architect, Kernaghan & Partners, Spiess McGlade Asset Management, First Asset Investment Management, and Georgian Bay Landing.

Lastly, 2017 is off to a great start with many events in the schedule. With the recent hire of Janet Tinsley, Senior Development Officer, this promises to be another year where progress in delivering on our objectives will be met with your continued support.

See you on the Bay,

**David Doritty**, *Annual Fundraising Chair, Pointe au Baril*

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## Finance Committee

2016 was a very successful year for the GBLT, financially speaking. Our net assets increased by a very impressive almost \$4.5 million. We acquired more than \$4 million of new property, which represents a 15% increase over last year. Our long-term funds are up by almost \$184,000 in donations alone, or 12%, and our current net assets are \$230,000 higher than last year. The GBLT is stronger than ever.

This strength will allow the GBLT to do even more for our part of Georgian Bay. The organization is very clearly reaching a significantly higher plateau than that of only a few years ago. Staff, directors, supporters, volunteers, and especially donors should be congratulated and thanked for all that has been achieved. Thank you very much!

**Peter Koetsier**, *Treasurer, Honey Harbour*

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## Georgian Bay Trust Foundation, Inc.

### Condensed Balance Sheet Year Ended December 31, 2016

#### ASSETS

##### CURRENT

General	150,088	42,417
Deferred Land Acquisition Contributions		696,195
Land acquisition fund	161,595	149,139
Working capital fund	450,000	300,000
	761,683	1,187,751
Sundry receivables	26,254	52,860
HST rebate receivable	61,956	8,093
Prepays	13,295	14,662
	863,188	1,263,366

##### LONG TERM INVESTMENTS

Protected Property	30,319,321	26,290,177
Stewardship & Endowment Funds	1,523,293	1,341,127
Wally and Marilyn King & Family Fund	113,615	112,115
Equipment	2,599	3,406
	31,958,828	27,746,825

#### Total Assets

	32,822,016	29,010,191
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#### LIABILITIES

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	24,995	12,998
Current portion of mortgage payable	37,778	39,543
Loan payable	25,000	25,000
Deferred contributions	60,691	703,695
	148,464	781,236

#### Mortgage Payable

	37,778
	148,464
	819,014

#### NET ASSETS

Unrestricted Net Assets	165,907	97,534
Internally Restricted Net Assets	611,595	449,139
Externally Restricted Net Assets	1,636,908	1,453,242
Net Assets Invested in Property	30,259,142	26,191,262
	32,673,552	28,191,177
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	32,822,016	29,010,191

### Condensed Statement of Income & Expenditure

January 1 to December 31 2016

#### OPERATING REVENUE

	2016	2015
Donations, Annual Giving, Grants, Other Income	451,400	364,832
Events & Boat Lottery (Net)	29,915	40,704
Investment	188,373	75,542
Miscellaneous	1,335	3,489
	671,023	484,567

#### OPERATING EXPENSES

Land Protection	212,868	154,795
Stewardship	109,258	120,491
Communications, Education & Research	88,022	128,246
Fundraising	60,467	66,938
Administration	25,885	28,420
	496,500	498,890

#### Excess of Revenues over Expenses

	174,523	-14,323
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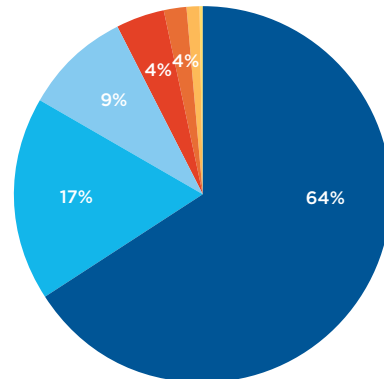
#### Transfer to Working Capital Fund

	150,000	
	24,523	-14,323

#### CAPITAL REVENUE

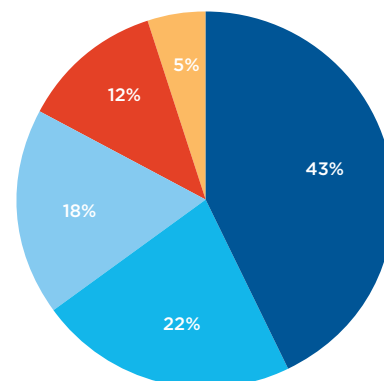
Donations: Endowment Funds	187,166	24,325
Donations: Land Acquisition Fund	81,541	110,938
Donations Received for Immediate Land Acquisition	856,145	-
Value of Donated Land	3,183,000	2,375,000
	4,307,852	2,510,263

### Revenue



- Donations of Land
- Donations to Secure New Nature Reserves
- Annual Giving, Grants, & Other Income
- Investment Income
- Donations to Restricted Funds
- Donations to Land Securement (2%)
- Event Income (1%)

### Expense



- Land Protection
- Conservation Stewardship
- Conservation Education, Research & Communications
- Fundraising & Development
- Administration

Georgian Bay Trust Foundation Inc.  
(operating as Georgian Bay Land Trust)  
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financial statements are available upon request

# PARTNERS

The GBLT would like to thank all those that worked with us on a variety of projects and activities of mutual interest in 2016. Thank you for being part of another great year in the conservation of Georgian Bay.

Bayfield Nares Islanders' Association  
Bird Studies Canada  
Cognashene Cottagers Association  
Eastern Georgian Bay Stewardship Council  
Environment Canada Ecological Gifts Program  
Georgian Bay Forever  
Georgian Bay Association  
Georgian Bay Biosphere Reserve Inc.  
Georgian Bay Today  
Georgian Bay Township  
Great Lakes Basin Conservancy  
Honey Harbour Association  
Huron Community Foundation  
Iron City Fishing Club  
Madawaska Club at Go Home Bay

McMaster University  
Nature Conservancy of Canada  
North Channel Preservation Society  
Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry  
Pointe au Baril Islanders' Association  
Parks Canada – Georgian Bay Islands National Park  
Parry Sound Chamber of Commerce  
Sans Souci Copperhead Association  
Township of the Archipelago  
Wah Wah Taysee Association  
West Carling Association  
White Squall Paddling Centre

The GBLT is also a member of the  
Ontario Land Trust Alliance.

## Many Thanks to our Generous Sponsors



# THANK YOU

## Cumulative Giving

### **LUMINARIES** - Over \$500,000

John & Margaret Catto

### **VISIONARIES** - Over \$300,000

Geordie Dalglish Family  
Robert & Julia Foster  
Wally & Marilyn King

### **AMBASSADORS** - Over \$200,000

The W. Garfield Weston Foundation  
Annabelle White

### **CHAMPIONS** - Over \$100,000

The Langar Foundation  
Estate of William Marrow  
Robin & Robert Ogilvie  
Bill & Carol Prior  
Tom & Pamela Scoon  
Estate of Kay Sloan  
TD Bank  
John & Josie Watson  
Galen & Hilary Weston

### **PIONEERS** - Over \$50,000

Rick Balaz  
Jennifer Ivey Bannock  
Bruce Croxon & Debra Thier  
Fred & Sue Dalley  
Elizabeth Davidson  
Ann & David Doritty  
Echo Foundation  
Jon & Shelagh Grant  
Jean Hughes  
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Donald & Lorraine Lawson  
Wendy Matheson  
McLean Foundation  
Payne Marine  
Sandy & Marilyn Phillips  
Samuel Family Foundation  
John & Chris Stark  
Janny Vincent

### **TRUSTEES** - Over \$20,000

Martin Abell & Kim Dalglish  
John & Karen Agnew  
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Ian & Margaret Carmichael  
Dr. T. James & Maureen Cooper  
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Jan Ruby & Mary Thomson  
William J. & Meredith Saunderson  
Topper Linen  
Janet Veale  
Phil Wilson  
Anonymous

## 2016 Supporters

### **PROTECTED PROPERTIES**

*Our deepest appreciation to those who donated property or made contributions for land protection projects in 2016:*

#### **Crane Lake Reserve, Crane Lake**

Anonymous

#### **Kofman Moose Bay Reserve, Wah Wah Taysee**

Betsy Bascom  
Barb Kofman  
Jeff Kofman  
Jim Kofman

#### **Little McCoy, Pointe au Baril**

Wendy & Dave Bunston  
Ann & David Doritty  
Kopas Family Foundation  
The Langar Foundation  
Tom & Pamela Scoon

#### **Steamboat Channel Reserve, Pointe au Baril**

Nico, Félix & Chloé Abbott and Liam Dumochel  
Margaret & John Catto  
The Cavers Family  
William & Patricia Culp  
Molly & Benji Diesbach  
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Janet & John Irving  
The Langar Foundation  
The Matheson / Kennedy Family  
Sandy McCoy  
William C. McCoy  
The Prior Family  
Cam Richardson & Debbie Crossman  
Jan Ruby & Mary Thomson  
Tom & Pamela Scoon  
Janet & Alan Veale  
Janny Vincent  
David Wilson

#### **Land Acquisition Fund**

Ida Lynn Stankie  
Val & Rob Thompson

### **STEWARDSHIP FUNDS**

*Stewardship Funds are long-term investments that support the ongoing annual stewardship of our protected properties. Thank you to those who made contributions in 2016:*

#### **Legacy Stewardship Fund**

Shannon Beddoe  
David & Joanne Browne  
Margaret & John Catto  
Anonymous

#### **Douglas & Marylon Alexander Stewardship Fund, Wah Wah Taysee**

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Beverly Stager

#### **Watson Family Stewardship Fund, Cognashene, Go Home Bay & Honey Harbour**

Dr. Ralph S. & Caroline Grose  
Peter S. Watson

### **PLEDGE FOR THE BAY**

*The Wally & Marilyn King Family Fund supports initiatives that increase knowledge and appreciation of the environment, culture, and communities of eastern Georgian Bay and the North Channel. Thank you to those who made contributions in 2016:*

Wally & Marilyn King

### **PLEDGE FOR THE BAY**

*The five-year Pledge for the Bay enables the Land Trust to better plan for the future in land protection, stewardship, education, and outreach, knowing resources are in place from committed supporters. Thank you to these supporters for your generous pledges:*

#### **Leader of the Bay (\$25,000)**

Margaret & John Catto  
Stephen & Jane Chisholm  
Dr. T. James & Maureen Cooper  
Sue & Fred Dalley  
Ann & David Doritty  
Jon & Shelagh Grant  
Donald & Lorraine Lawson  
Paul S. McLean  
Robin & Robert Ogilvie  
Francie & John Pepper  
Sandy & Marilyn Phillips

#### **Conservator of the Bay (\$5,000)**

Tim, Shelley & Taylor Topornicki

#### **Friends of the Bay (\$500)**

Maureen & Don Buchanan  
Wendy Cooper & Jesse Wright

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*Our achievements are shared with our generous supporters who care about the conservation of Georgian Bay as much as we do. Thank you to all those who made contributions in 2016:*

### \$50,000 - \$99,999

Ontario Trillium Foundation

### \$25,000 - \$49,999

Margaret & John Catto  
Environment and Climate Change Canada  
Great Lakes Basin Conservancy  
Ontario Land Trust Alliance

### \$10,000 - \$24,999

Echo Foundation  
Barbara & Dougal Macdonald  
Anonymous

### \$5,000 - \$9,999

Canada Summer Jobs  
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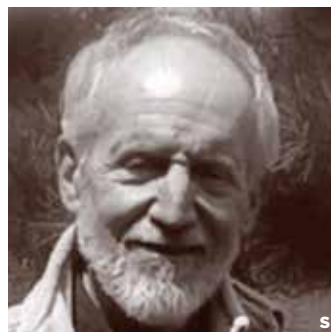
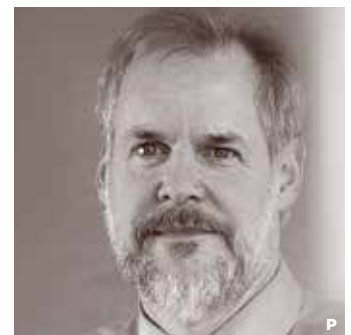
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