

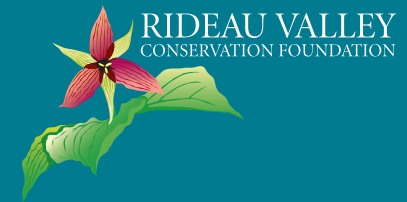
# Rideau Valley Conservation Foundation

**W**e are a local, accountable, registered environmental charity dedicated to supporting on-the-ground conservation projects right here in the Rideau River valley. For the comfort and confidence of our many donors, the Conservation Foundation is a proud and practicing member of Imagine Canada and the Ontario and Canada Land Trust Alliances. These respected philanthropic groups provide training, guidance and certification in fair accounting, fundraising and land acquisition practices. The Foundation Board of Directors would like to thank the staff and Board of the Conservation Authority for all of their generous support and encouragement in 2016. We are honoured to recognize the RVCA as our biggest supporter and our major conservation partner. It is a pleasure to acknowledge and thank the many hundreds of generous and community-minded people who made a gift to conservation in 2016. Thanks to your help, the Foundation surpassed its fundraising goal in 2016! We sincerely appreciate your continuing confidence in our conservation programs.

Jason W.M. Kelly, Chair | Dan Cooper, Executive Director

## Highlights for 2016:

- We were delighted to work with a local business to achieve their LEED certification by preserving a natural area to offset the footprint of their building
- It was our pleasure to partner with Movati Athletics who supported many improvements at Chapman Mills Conservation Area
- It was our equal pleasure to work with Canon Canada who provided a financial donation and a donation of staff volunteer hours to complete some improvements at Baxter Conservation Area
- We were very pleased to join our partners Leeds-Grenville Stewardship Council, RVCA, South Kanata Development Corporation, Wildlife Habitat Canada and Ducks Unlimited Canada in completing the Motts Mills Dam Construction Project.
- We were pleased to welcome Comfort Hub as our newest corporate citizen that has made parts of their local operation "carbon neutral" in 2016 through tree planting
- Thank you to the many staff and their families who continued to contribute to our Carbon Neutral Program
- We continue to enjoy the confidence of several land development companies who use the Foundation's Species at Risk Compensation Program services to compensate for the unavoidable loss of butternut, barn swallow habitat or bobolink habitat during their business activities. We are currently managing 32 projects
- We were fortunate to have the continuing support of over 25 local businesses all of which are recognized on our famous "Partners in Conservation" wall in our Manotick office
- We were delighted that Mattamy Homes, who recently acquired Monarch Homes, is upholding Monarch's long and generous history with a major donation to the RVCF's Environmental Land Fund. This fund is used to help pay the costs associated with land donations including legal fees, appraisals and surveys. It is instrumental in securing environmental land for future conservation use by the people of the Rideau watershed in Eastern Ontario
- Foundation endowment funds continue to grow providing some very welcome revenue streams for land and water conservation work throughout the valley. Thank you to our endowment fund supporters



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