Our Community-Led Approach to Public Land Protection

Over the last 15 years, the Conservation Lands Foundation has established a successful community-led approach to public land protection. Our mission is to protect, restore and expand the National Conservation Land system managed by the Bureau of Land Management, and we do that by strengthening the leadership and impact of our now 80-organization strong Friends Grassroots Network.

Our community-based philanthropy is based on the proven belief that each member of our Friends Network knows best how to maximize the impact of the resources we provide. The use of our grants is unrestricted and we build relationships based on transparency, dialogue, and mutual learning.

We’re committed to continually examine our decision-making culture and grant guidance to improve our practices and ensure that our impact is supportive and uplifting to Black, Indigenous, and other leaders and communities of color.

With these values at the forefront of our decision-making process, in 2021 we awarded $1,650,500 to 71 Friends Grassroots Network organizations and allied partners across 12 states.

**ALASKA**
- ALASKA CENTER
- ALASKA CONSERVATION FOUNDATION
- NATIVE MOVEMENT
- SOVEREIGN INUPIAT FOR A LIVING ARCTIC

**ARIZONA**
- ARCHAEOLOGY SOUTHWEST
- FRIENDS OF AGUA FRIA
- FRIENDS OF IRONWOOD FOREST
- FRIENDS OF ARIZONA JOSHUA TREE FOREST
- VALLE DEL SOL

**CALIFORNIA**
- AMAH MUTSUN LAND TRUST
- AMARGOSA CONSERVANCY
- BLU EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION
- CALIFORNIA WILDERNESS COALITION
- CARRIZO PLAIN CONSERVANCY
- CHAPARRAL LANDS CONSERVANCY
- COFEM
- FRIENDS OF BIG MORONGO CANYON
- FRIENDS OF THE DESERT MOUNTAINS
- FRIENDS OF THE INYO
- FRIENDS OF THE LOST COAST
- MATTOLE RESTORATION COUNCIL
- MOJAVE DESERT LAND TRUST
- NATIVE AMERICAN LAND CONSERVANCY

**CALIFORNIA Cont.**
- OUTWARD BOUND ADVENTURES
- TRANSITION HABITAT CONSERVANCY
- TRINIDAD COASTAL LAND TRUST
- TULEYOME

**COLORADO**
- COLORADO CANYONS ASSOCIATION
- CROW CANYON ARCHAEOLOGICAL CENTER
- DOLORES RIVER BOATING ADVOCATES
- FRIENDS OF THE YAMPA
- SAN JUAN CITIZENS ALLIANCE
- SAN LUIS ECOSYSTEM COUNCIL
- SOUTHWEST COLORADO CANYONS ALLIANCE
- WESTERN SLOPE CONSERVATION CENTER

**MONTANA**
- FRIENDS OF MISSOURI BREAKS
- WILD MONTANA

**NEW MEXICO**
- ANCESTRAL LANDS CORP
- FRIENDS OF ORGAN MOUNTAINS DESERT PEAKS
- NEW MEXICO WILD
- NEW MEXICO WILDLIFE FEDERATION
- PUEBLO ACTION ALLIANCE
- UPPER GILA WATERSHED ALLIANCE

**NEVADA**
- FRIENDS OF GOLD BUTTE
- FRIENDS OF NEVADA WILDERNESS
- FRIENDS OF RED ROCK CANYON
- GET OUTDOORS NEVADA
- NEVADA CONSERVATION LEAGUE
- TRAILS ACCESS PROJECT

**OREGON**
- FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS OF THE DESCHUTES CANYON AREA
- FRIENDS OF THE OWYHEE
- UPPER SNAKE RIVER TRIBES FOUNDATION

**SOUTHWEST COLORADO CANYONS ALLIANCE**
- WESTERN SLOPE CONSERVATION CENTER

**TEXAS**
- FRONTERA LAND ALLIANCE

**UTAH**
- CONSERVE SOUTHWEST UTAH
- GRAND STAIRCASE-ESCALANTE PARTNERS

**WYOMING**
- WYOMING OUTDOOR COUNCIL
- WYOMING WILDERNESS ASSOCIATION

**12 STATES / 71 GROUPS / $1,650,500**

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<td>Front-line community building to engage and support a network of Inupiaq Peoples and their goals to protect the Arctic North Slope.</td>
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<td>Archaeology Southwest</td>
<td>Protect the Lower Gila River Bend area.</td>
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<td>BLU Educational Foundation</td>
<td>&quot;Let's Take It Outside&quot; program, providing opportunities for African Americans and other people of color to rebuild historical connections, advocate for key issues, and find joy in Southern California’s public lands.</td>
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<td>Engage the Latino/x/a community in the East Coachella Valley to protect National Monuments and the California Desert Conservation Lands through outings, digital training, and educational programming.</td>
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<td>Friends of the Inyo</td>
<td>Land defense from inappropriate development at Conglomerate Mesa, Panamint Valley, the Bodie Hills; and work with partners and BLM* to implement the Desert Renewable Energy Conservation Plan.</td>
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<td>Mojave Desert Land Trust</td>
<td>Increase knowledge and involvement in conservation through the Women in Science Discovering Our Mojave (WISDOM) program; and engage new audiences and increase public awareness about the Mojave and Colorado Deserts.</td>
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<td>Native American Land Conservancy</td>
<td>Restoration, signage installation, safety and visitation to the Old Woman Mountain and Coyote Hole Preserve, and the Learning Landscapes program that brings Native American youth to the preserves to learn about their culture and traditional ecological knowledge from tribal elders and teachers in the Inland Empire, Coachella Valley, and Morongo Basin.</td>
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<td>Long-term protection of the Dolores River and surrounding public lands; and continued growth of the community’s river youth education program.</td>
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<td>Enduring protections through new and ongoing administrative processes.</td>
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<td>Protect central Montana wildlands, wildlife, and natural values via management planning processes and engaging Indigenous communities.</td>
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<td>Get Outdoors Nevada</td>
<td>Avi Kwa Ame and Southern Nevada campaigns; outdoor education; and organizational diversity, equity and inclusion growth.</td>
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<td>Friends of the Owyhee</td>
<td>Protections in Malheur Community Empowerment for the Owyhee Act and Rivers Democracy Act; landscape monitoring; and community engagement with the Owyhee landscape, especially with the local Latino community.</td>
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<td>Stop Northern Corridor Highway right-of-way; build community partnerships; support Pika’a ya Tooveep Habitat Survey Project; and inclusive engagement in management planning.</td>
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<td>Restore scientific studies and collaborative conservation to the forefront of monument management; and elevate Indigenous perspectives and knowledge in land management decisions.</td>
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