



LPT LAND PRESERVATION TRUST

LPT's 2020 Vision

20,000 Acres Connected Forever



Why are 20,000 Connected Acres meaningful?

**AGRICULTURAL
VIABILITY**

**WILDLIFE AND
RECREATIONAL
CORRIDORS**

**CONSERVATION
CENTERED COMMUNITY**

The Land Preservation Trust has the opportunity to build one of the largest connected blocks of properties protected forever on the East Coast. What is unique about our area is that this block was not created by one large property owner, but by hundreds of individual property owners choosing to protect their land for future generations. This commitment was well underway in 1998, when the Piney Run Watershed was awarded the largest initial Maryland Rural Legacy grant. Since that time the area has expanded significantly, and our commitment to preservation continues. With the continued support of our community, LPT will reach its goal of 20,000 acres connected forever.

Preserved Land Now



The initial Rural Legacy Area was 19,772 acres, 95% of which are protected forever.



The current Rural Legacy area is 43,478 acres, 60% of which are protected forever.



There is now a block of 18,310 connected acres protected forever.



Protecting land protects water quality



Our area is shaped by rivers and streams.

Piney Run, Western Run, Georges Run, Black Rock Run and other major waterways are the landmarks we use to define our geography.

These rivers and streams feed into Prettyboy and Loch Raven reservoirs, which are major drinking water sources for the entire Baltimore Metropolitan Area. From these reservoirs, the water re-enters the Gunpowder River watershed and flows to the Chesapeake Bay. Protecting our farms and forests protects the quality of the metropolitan drinking water and the Bay.

A CONSERVATION CHAMPION — SHEILA McCREERY JACKSON

Our vibrant preservation community was only beginning in 1986, when Mrs. Jackson placed a Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation (MALPF) easement on her Upperco farm. She also recognized the importance of encouraging the next generation of farmers to steward the land, working with the Future Farmers of America and leading a FFA delegation to China. While Mrs. Jackson passed away in 1997, her family continued to actively support land preservation, donating a Maryland Environmental Trust (MET) easement on an adjacent farm, and also working with the Land Preservation Trust.



How do I preserve my land?

LPT works with landowners to find the best program for your family's needs.

Maryland is fortunate to have a number of preservation options available to landowners. But navigating those programs can be a daunting task for any family. The programs are strictly voluntary, and LPT's staff can help you to determine the benefit to your family.

Donated Easements

Both LPT and MET accept donated conservation easements. These easements provide significant income tax advantages at the federal and state level.

Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation (MALPF)

Purchases easements on large farms with prime and productive soils.



Rural Legacy Program

Purchases easements on properties rich in multiple resources. LPT sponsors the Piney Run Watershed Rural Legacy area, the most successful area in the state.

Take Action

- **Contact LPT and preserve your land**

Call our office at 443-578-4404 or email annholmesjones@gmail.com

- **Donate to LPT**

Go to www.thelandpreservationtrust.org, or send a check today!

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