



Protecting Land & Wildlife

Thanks to you and your fellow supporters, you live in one of the most amazing places in the world. That's because you have helped preserve the land that makes having parks, trails, wildlife, and homegrown wines and foods possible. In 2017, **4,345 acres of land** have been preserved for people and wildlife to enjoy forever. That includes some of your favorite places like Sycamore Grove Park, Holdener Park, and local vineyards, farms, ranches and orchards.

With the help of our volunteers, we cared for the protected lands spread across **108 properties through 140 stewardship visits** partnering with our land owners to maintain the healthiest lands possible. Because healthy lands means healthy food, water, air, plants and wildlife for everyone to experience. But there are still important places to protect.

Now, thanks to your continued support, we are just one final step away from **preserving 178 acres of land in North Livermore in 2018**. This land will provide wildlife habitat for Western burrowing owls and California tiger salamanders, both of which are threatened species.

With your help, once this habitat is protected, we'll begin building natural burrows that will provide **shelter for the burrowing owls, California tiger salamanders and other wildlife**. This "Burrowing Owl Condo Project" will provide critical shelter, blend seamlessly into the landscape, and become part of the complex interconnected wildlife tunnels that are crucial for our local ecosystem.

4,345 Acres of Preserved Land

86% Agriculture







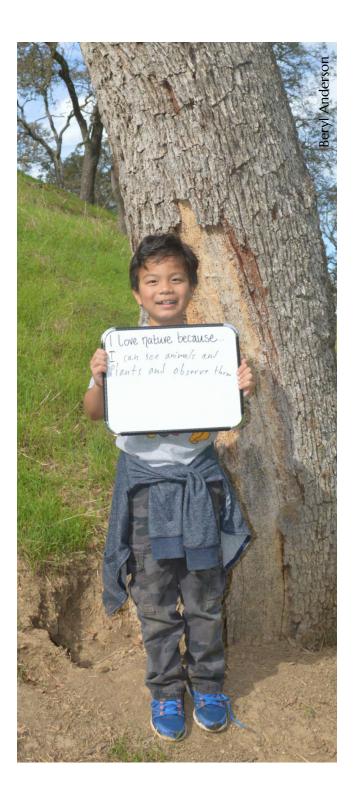
Connecting Trails & Generations

You are helping to connect Sycamore Grove Park here in Livermore Valley all the way to Mission Peak in Fremont! With your support, we're linking nearly **25,000** acres of open space together through five parks with the **Valley Trail Connections Program**. By connecting a dead end trail in Sycamore Grove Park, one of our easiest to reach open spaces, you'll have more than 17 times the trails to explore, and you'll open up trail access for equestrians, cyclists, strollers, and people with disabilities to enjoy too. Wildlife will also benefit from the connected habitat. Thanks to you, we're preparing to break ground on the trail connection in 2018.

You are also helping to connect the next generation with the outdoors and the importance of land. The **Discovery Youth in Nature Program** is making a big difference for Tri-Valley girls and boys. As our schools lose funding for environmental education and field trips, we're partnering with local schools to give students environmental science lessons that come to life with outdoor adventure.

Thanks to supporters like you this school year, **420 children** were able to take a hike and learn about our local watershed, soils, agriculture and wildlife. And most importantly, you connected them to the land! After the program, 100% of the girls and boys said they wanted to preserve land in their community.







Celebrating the Tri-Valley

You and your fellow supporters **volunteered 2,712 hours** of your time and talents in 2017 to preserve the lands that are the best part of the Tri-Valley. That's a value of more than \$65,000 in skills dedicated to restore habitat, steward preserved lands, attend critical meetings, and raise awareness about the importance of protecting land through tours, hikes, and of course events like Jeans and Jewels and Livermore Valley Uncorked.

Your hard work definitely deserves a celebration! That's why even **fundraising events** should be an opportunity for you to enjoy the fruits of your labor. In the case of **Livermore Valley Uncorked** wine celebration, you get to taste those fruits quite literally. A sold out crowd of wine enthusiasts enjoyed unlimited wine tasting of the best Livermore Valley wines from the previous day's competition of more than 30 local wineries.

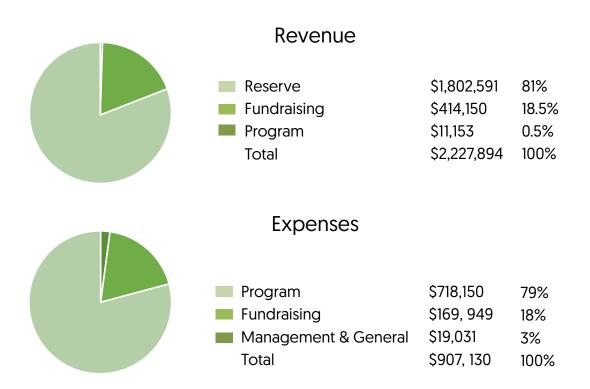
The winning wines were also featured at the **Jeans and Jewels** fundraising gala where guests got an exclusive chance to be among the first to support the Valley Trail Connections project and be a part of Sycamore Grove Park forever. Your fellow supporters exceeded the evening's **\$50,000 fundraising goal** to help connect more than five parks. Then, the celebration kicked into high gear with delectable Cuban inspired cuisine, hand rolled cigars and live salsa dancing to the delight of more than 300 supporters in attendance.

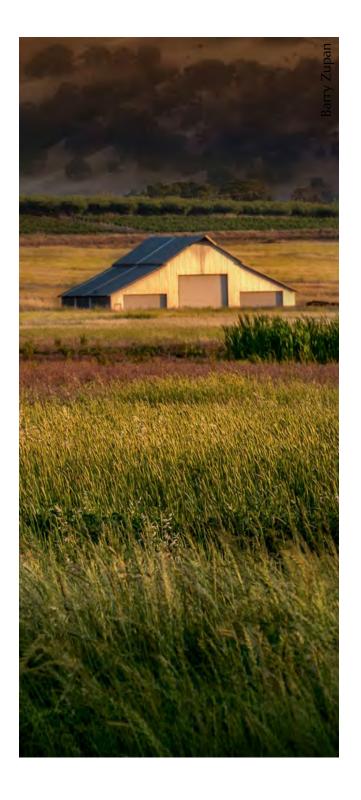


Putting Your Donations to Work

Preserving land is no small task. It takes a community and quite awhile. But thanks to you, our partners and sponsors working together, more than 5,400 acres have been protected and 4,345 have been preserved forever. Once land is preserved, it needs to be taken care of in order to stay healthy, so the land can provide food and wine, lovely trails, wildlife habitat, fresh air and cleaner water. Saving land is really just the first big step in the journey that will span generations fortunate to inherit parks, agriculture, and open space. Which means as an Accredited Land Trust, we **reserve funds** to make sure we can act not only when needs and opportunities arise but also so your lands are preserved and cared for **eternally**. Every dollar of your donation is put to work!

Below are the un-audited financials for 2017.





Thanks to You

Your generous support made all of this and more possible in 2017! Together, we can continue to protect the lands that make the Tri-Valley an amazing place to live. Thank you from the bottom of our valleys to the tops of our peaks!

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