



Annual Report

Educating and advocating for the
sustainable use of the forest and the
ecological, economic, and social health of
Maine's Forest Communities

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Executive Director' Note:



Greetings!

I am pleased to share Maine TREE Foundation's 2023 Annual Report. As an organization, we have made significant progress in expanding forest-based education and workforce development opportunities throughout Maine.

From elementary school through college, we provided exceptional learning opportunities to students to learn about the exciting world of forest-based careers in Maine. We also delivered essential resources to educators, empowering them to teach their students about the forest. Moreover, we expanded our educational opportunities for forest professionals, continuing to enhance their skills and expertise in the field.

Moving forward, we will remain committed to prioritizing initiatives that motivate the next generation of Maine's forest workforce. We will continue to use steadfast programs such as Project Learning Tree (PLT), the Forest of Maine's Teachers' Tours, and our expanding Forest Ecology Research Network (FERN). We will continue expanding our forest career resources and develop new materials to help students understand how climate change impacts our local forests.

Our work is not possible without the support of our community, donors, and collaborators. With your help, Maine TREE is advancing our mission and ensuring students throughout the state value and appreciate Maine's remarkable forest resources.

A blue ink signature of Logan Johnson.

Logan Johnson
Executive Director

P.S. Thank you Ethan Bessey, for your contribution as a Board of Directors' member for nine years. Your leadership as the President for the past two years has had a tremendous impact, and we appreciate your service.

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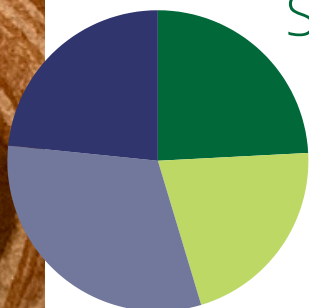
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Financial Report

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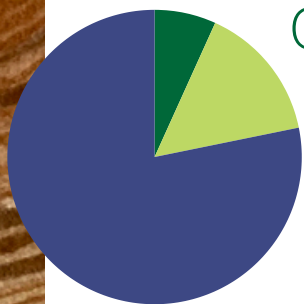


- 24% Endowment Draws
- 21% Individuals & Businesses
- 31% Foundations/Grants
- 23% Program Income

Operational Budget

\$647,955

Organizational Expenses



- 7% Fundraising
- 16% Admin
- 78% Programs

Assets

Cash	\$197,964
Real Estate	\$400,686
Investments	\$4,012,784
TOTAL	\$4,611,434

**Note: This financial report is as of 12/31/23 and provides a snapshot of our end-of-year projections. The official 2023 financial reports, including the annual compilation and 990 tax form, will be completed by early summer.*

Forest-based Education for...

Educators



We presented at **14 professional development events** for educators, including 2 Forests of Maine Teachers' Tours, engaging **345 educators**.

Students

Staff participated in **13 events** directly engaging **2,534 students**.



Landowners

Continued serving as the Coordinators for the Maine Tree Farm Program, reaching over **100 family forest landowners** through events in 2023.



Logging Professionals

The Certified Logging Professionals program trained **64 New CLPs**, Conducted **176 Site Visits**, and **Recertified 337** CLPs.

Foresters

Collaborated to provide **12** continuing forestry education events engaging more than **250** forest professionals.



Program Notes:

- The pilot year for **The Forestry Immersion Program**, a collaborative effort between the Brewer School Department and Maine TREE, brought nine students into the woods for six weeks to learn about Maine's forest and career opportunities.
- Our harvest at **Holt Research Forest** was featured in the United States Forest Service's "Climate Change and Forestry Operations Case Study" and added as a Case Study to the Northeast Silviculture Library.
- **Keeping Maine's Forest** hosted two member meetings, bringing leaders from Maine's forest community together to discuss current topics in Maine's forests.
- We held our inaugural **Forest Awards Night**, bringing together over 80 individuals to recognize the achievements of our community's award recipients, including the first-ever **Sherry Huber Forest Champion Award**.

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