

DESCHUTES LAND TRUST ANNUAL REPORT

Conserving and caring for the lands and waters that sustain Central Oregonians—human and natural—for generations to come.



## FROM THE DIRECTOR

The end of 2021 marked another successful year for the Land Trust, and I feel so honored and grateful to have become a part of this incredible organization. Our amazing staff, committed volunteers, generous donors, and our network of community partners have allowed us to grow and achieve in ways we never thought possible.

Thanks to your support the Land Trust continues to conserve the lands and waters that sustain us. Last year, you helped protect the places that increase resilience to climate impacts for people, plants, and animals. You helped preserve healthy natural systems and connected habitats. You helped protect lands important to local communities for cultural significance and other community values.

You also made it possible to connect to the natural world virtually when we couldn't do it in person. You shared stories and photos of flowers, baby birds, and delicate butterflies. You helped people explore the nature of Central Oregon on a guided walk or hike. You pulled weeds in restoration areas so tiny seedlings could grow and thrive. You removed fencing so wildlife could roam freely. You helped nature heal and shared joy and wonder.

Finally, thanks to you, the Land Trust continues to lead the way in science-based, innovative techniques for restoring natural systems. Last year, you helped create strong natural systems that will be better able to adapt to changes in temperature and precipitation. You helped provide refuges for plants and animals. You helped fight climate change.

Looking ahead, the Land Trust is entering an unprecedented period in our organization as we lead innovative restoration projects, conserve new lands, apply new approaches to caring for our lands, and engage more partners, communities, and supporters than ever. In 2022, we hope you'll join us and learn more as we start the first phase of work to build the future Ochoco Preserve, continue our efforts to conserve Skyline Forest, and expand our strategies to conserve working lands in Central Oregon. Thanks to you and your dedicated support, we know this future will be bright and together we can accomplish amazing things.

As a Central Oregonian and as a mom, I think often about the future of our region and the places we love. Each time I meet a donor, a volunteer, or a neighbor, I am energized by our shared commitment to conserving lands and protecting this place we love for future generations. As our work continues, I am optimistic that through partnership and community, we can continue to conserve and care for the lands and waters that sustain Central Oregonians—human and natural—for generations to come.

With gratitude,

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR** 



### FINANCIAL SUMMARY

The Land Trust's fiscal year runs from January 1 through December 31. This financial summary comes from the Land Trust's yet-to-be-audited 2021 financial statement. Audited statements are available upon request. A copy of the Deschutes Land Trust's Form 990 can be found at www.guidestar.org.



What did your support make possible this year?

conservation + stewardship

55% \$968,949

education + outreach

24% \$416,915 management + support

**12**%

\$202,813

TOTAL \$1,755,233

organizational sustainability

\$166,556

#### Where did our support come from this year?

unrestricted donations

46% \$1,245,110

restricted donations

33% \$889,869 grants

15% \$394,967 TOTAL \$2,678,867

investments + other

\$148,921

# **VITAL SIGNS**

endowment for permanent stewardship of conserved lands

\$2,624,628



number of donor households

1,810

acres conserved





volunteer hours donated since 1995

108,367

value of conserved lands

\$17,529,104



The Deschutes Land Trust conserves and cares for more than 17,523 acres in our region for today, tomorrow, and for generations to come.

#### **2021** BOARD, ADVISORS, AND STAFF

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