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Dear Friends,

Annual reports that summarize the impact of organizations such as Friends of Acadia by their nature provide a narrow window into success, or, in the case of unfavorable circumstance, retrenchment.

Over our 34-year history, Friends of Acadia’s Annual Reports have charted a steady upward trajectory as our dedicated staff, board, volunteers, and members have helped us grow the ways we benefit Acadia National Park and surrounding communities—and 2019 was no exception to that trend.

It is a challenge, however, to view the progress and milestones of 2019 through the lens of the profound uncertainty that now exists in 2020 as this report is published. As we face new questions and implications daily of the ongoing pandemic, the economic adversity it has created, and the sweeping protests around racial justice and equity that have followed, it seems awkward to dwell on the past.

Perspective then requires us to focus on the long-term arc of the enterprise and to consider how FOA’s work can be even more meaningful and sustainable moving forward. Taking the broader view, what matters most is not the numbers, positive or negative, in an arbitrary 12-month window, but whether FOA is a place where people, resources, and ideas can come together in a way that is nimble and resilient, while never losing sight of its core mission.

Acadia’s timeless landscapes have always been a wellspring of solace and renewal in difficult times—especially now. While FOA makes no claim to longevity on a geologic scale, our bedrock principles and past service suggest that we are well-prepared and eager to face whatever the future holds.

We are better and stronger together and owe every success to the collective commitment of our members and the dedicated park staff with whom we work. Thank you for being part of the accomplishments summarized in the pages that follow, and we welcome those who will join in the weeks and months to come.

With gratitude,

Anne Green, Board Chair

David MacDonald, President and CEO
When Friends of Acadia’s newest Outdoor Classroom opened at Deer Isle Elementary School, skunk cabbage was just another type of vegetation along the trail. Since then, this odiferous perennial has become integral to students’ learning about climate, temperature change, and botany. “I built my entire curriculum around that nature trail,” explains science teacher Mickie Flores. “When it’s time to go out there the kids are just so excited,” she adds.

Flores, whose students’ work is scheduled to be published by the Gulf of Maine Research Institute, has noticed something else. The trail has become a hit with the entire community. “People are using it all the time. Without Friends of Acadia’s generosity, it wouldn’t even be there.”

Along with funding outdoor classrooms at two other schools, Friends of Acadia continued to invest in its Yellow Bus Fund program that covers transportation costs for field trips to Acadia. “It’s disheartening to think that some of my students had never seen the ocean,” explains Morgan Pullen, a teacher at the Margaret Chase Smith School in Skowhegan. “This was an experience of a lifetime for many of my students whose parents don’t have vehicles, in a community with limited public transportation.” In all, a total of 735 students from 19 schools were able to take field trips thanks to FOA.

In addition, FOA funded education rangers who reached 7,500 students either in the park or at their schools. And the FOA-funded Acadia Teacher Fellows program brought seven educators from around the United States to expand their professional skills by living and working in the park.

Schoodic Education Adventure (SEA), the overnight residential education program for middle school students operated jointly by FOA, Schoodic Institute, and Acadia, hosted 433 students and 50 adults from schools across Maine and from the Boston area.

Acadia Quest enjoyed a robust year, its first with a custom app for cell phones and mobile devices featuring links to original, staff-produced videos. Nearly 170 teams representing some 700 unique users participated.

Direct FOA support for Tomorrow’s Stewards grants and programs in 2019 increased to $331,346.
For returning Friends of Acadia Summit Steward Zoe Smiarowski, making a difference by protecting a special place she has loved since childhood, while sharing those wonders with others, is the ultimate reward.

“I joined the team as a way to give back to a place that has given me so much in my life,” she says.

In 2019, Smiarowski and the other FOA Summit Stewards spent 655 hours on backcountry patrols and removed more than 900 illegal cairns. They logged interactions with nearly 29,000 park visitors and educated more than 7,000 people in Leave No Trace principles. They also assisted Acadia National Park staff with 47 road closures due to traffic congestion on Cadillac Mountain.

During the partial federal government shutdown in January, Friends of Acadia assisted by providing timely visitor information via our website and social media channels. Those communications reached more than 1.1 million people over four weeks. Other efforts included assisting the park in outlining implementation of its final Transportation Plan, which was officially approved in May.

2019 also marked the celebration of the 20th Anniversary of the Island Explorer bus service with the addition of 21 new buses, helping to boost yet another record year of ridership. Even though overall park visitation was down 1.8 percent for the year, ridership increased 3.8 percent. Explorer buses carried more than 647,000 passengers.

FOA Recreation Technician Becca Stanley continued to assist in reducing damage to natural resources and to collect hard data on visitation and visitor use patterns. Along with collecting and sharing traffic count numbers with park managers, she also conducted a parking turnover survey that will help guide implementation of the park’s timed-entry reservation system as part of Acadia’s transportation plan.

In all, during 2019 Friends of Acadia spent $758,922 in direct support of Acadia Experience initiatives.

Beyond dollars and statistics, however, the best measure of progress was the changes in heart thanks to person-to-person contacts made through programs such as the Summit Stewards. “Everywhere I look reminds me of the need to preserve and protect this park,” explains Smiarowski. “Every day that I go to work I feel I’m impacting the park in a positive way.”
Acadia National Park Trails Foreman Gary Stellpflug literally moves mountains.

As the keeper of Acadia’s more than 130 miles of hiking trails, he oversees a growing network of stewards including full-time professionals, seasonal employees, and Friends of Acadia’s Youth Conservation Corps (AYCC) team members, as well as FOA’s stewardship crew leaders and hundreds of other volunteers.

As the up and coming generation of stewards, the AYCC are exceptional workers, according to Stellpflug. In 2019 the teens worked shoulder to shoulder with park crews completing major restoration work on one of the park’s toughest trails—Kurt Diederich’s Climb on Dorr Mountain. The team rebuilt a total of 450 feet of retaining walls and reset 145 massive stone steps. “They carried the heaviest stuff we could find. I was so pleased to see the stonework come back to life,” says Stellpflug.

Other projects included completion of rehab on the Valley Cove Trail, work on Jordan Cliffs Trail, and repair of a rockslide on the Beachcroft Trail.

In 2019, Stellpflug also worked on documentation to have the park’s trail system added to the National Register of Historic Places. Steady progress was made on the latest FOA, park, and private landowner trail partnership—the Seaside Path in Seal Harbor, which is nearing completion this year.

Caring for more than 45 miles of carriage roads continued apace including hazard tree removal and vista clearing around the Day Mountain loop.

Despite the partial government shutdown in January, FOA was able to negotiate an agreement with the National Park Service to allow Acadia Winter Trails Association volunteers to groom cross-country ski trails during the shutdown.

Volunteerism, both on Mount Desert Island and at Schoodic, continued to be integral to trail and carriage road stewardship. According to Stellpflug, some 4,200 hours of volunteer work were logged on trails. More than 900 hours went into replacing 600 feet of bog walk at Jordan Pond. During FOA’s popular Take Pride in Acadia Day in November, 425 volunteers turned out to put the carriage roads to bed for winter, adding thousands of more hours to the total.

The total trail and carriage road program expenditure made by Friends of Acadia in 2019 was $1,008,420.
Adopting a wholistic approach to environmental integrity is a key precept of Friends of Acadia’s Wild Acadia programs. With the goal of involving multiple partners and groups in addressing environmental challenges, FOA brings together a broad coalition of local government agencies, Acadia National Park, state regulators, and other groups to improve habitat in the Marshall Brook Watershed in Southwest Harbor.

When the Maine Department of Environmental Protection (MDEP) allowed the Southwest Harbor Water and Sewer District to fund a remediation project in lieu of a fine for a record-keeping violation, the suggested work was far from Mount Desert Island. Contacted by district officials, Friends of Acadia suggested the replacement of a road culvert in the headwaters of Marshall Brook in Southwest Harbor.

“They really wanted to do something local, and we were able to help,” explains FOA’s Wild Acadia Coordinator Brian Henkel. Henkel drew on a diverse range of resources—including Trout Unlimited, the Town of Southwest Harbor, Acadia National Park, MDEP, and contractor/road owner John Goodwin Jr.—to install a culvert that will create a more natural flow and avoid impeding aquatic organisms such as fish, amphibians, and turtles.

Many other Wild Acadia initiatives progressed in 2019 including water monitoring in the Cromwell and Marshall Brook watersheds. Water quality in Jordan Pond continues to be monitored with a high-tech buoy.

FOA’s commitment to providing financial support for Acadia’s Invasive Plant Management Team allowed the team, in conjunction with government and community partners, to survey more than 1,000 acres and conduct remediation at more than 100 sites.

At Sieur de Monts Spring, Henkel notes that monitoring of the forested wetland that replaced a failed septic system shows the plants selected for the site have flourished with minimal intrusion by undesirable species.

Henkel explains that keeping broader natural and cultural systems in mind is key, even if the project at hand may seem modest in scope. Everything is connected. Nothing is done in a vacuum.

“That’s the main thing about Wild Acadia,” Henkel says. “It’s all about coming together when it comes to protecting places we care about.” Financial support for Wild Acadia in 2019 totaled $540,616.
FOA’s Field Teams Work On The Front Lines

Throughout the 2019 summer season, Friends of Acadia’s many field team members fanned out across Acadia National Park educating visitors about Leave No Trace principles, documenting programs and capturing stunning scenic images and videos, helping to maintain trails, collecting valuable visitation data, and learning how to incorporate parks into curriculum.

From the summit of Cadillac Mountain to the hidden clefts of the Giant Slide Trail, from the tide pools at Schoodic to the shores of Jordan Pond, all FOA teams are having a major impact. While the members, donors, staff, and volunteers form Friends of Acadia’s largest “team,” field crews are on the front lines daily helping to preserve and protect Acadia National Park.

ACADIA YOUTH CONSERVATION CORPS

The Acadia Youth Conservation Corps (AYCC) employs 16 high school students and four Acadia National Park leaders for eight weeks each summer. They provide essential help to the park’s trail crew, making visible improvements to Acadia’s trails and carriage roads, reconstructing stone drainages and retaining walls, clearing vistas, cutting wood at campgrounds, and assisting wherever else needed.

SUMMIT STEWARDS

Friends of Acadia’s Summit Stewards are a team of roving educator/researchers on Cadillac Mountain and on other trails throughout the summer and fall. Members spend nearly a thousand hours on Cadillac each year, answering visitor questions, managers, and collecting data about weather, car and bus traffic, visitor usage, and visitor behaviors.

ACADIA DIGITAL MEDIA TEAM

The Acadia Digital Media Team (ADMT) provides seasonal opportunities for creative, college-level individuals seeking photojournalism, video production, or communications degrees. It is comprised of four interns and a coordinator. The team’s work provides the park and Friends of Acadia with an invaluable resource of inspiring photographic and video interpretive content as well as technical support during live broadcasts and presentations.
RECREATION TECHNICIANS
Friends of Acadia's Recreation Technicians (Rec Techs) assist park staff in studying recreational use of the park. They maintain electronic trail counters on carriage roads and trails, use GPS to map and record the condition of social trails and other sites of interest in the park, and administer visitor questionnaires and perform other monitoring, resource protection, and research tasks.

STEWARDSHIP CREW
Stewardship coordinator Dana Petersen and his assistants form the key interface between the park, FOA’s seasoned volunteer crew leaders, and thousands of people who “drop in” two times a week in season to assist in maintaining trails and carriage roads throughout Acadia National Park. They also help coordinate FOA’s annual volunteer outreach events including the Earth Day Roadside Cleanup and Take Pride in Acadia Day.

ACADIA TEACHER FELLOWS
Each year Friends of Acadia helps fund the Acadia Teacher Fellow program which brings seven educators from across the country to the park to learn how to incorporate conservation, environmental stewardship, and our National Parks into their classrooms and curriculum. It is a forward-looking investment for the benefit of kids, teachers, and Acadia National Park.

Top left: Acadia Youth Conservation Corps (AYCC) members; bottom left, in back, members of Friends of Acadia’s Summit Stewards; in front, the Acadia Digital Media Team and Advocacy Intern Maya Sosland. Top right: Friends of Acadia’s Stewardship Coordinator Dana Petersen, right, talks with volunteers. Bottom right, Acadia Teacher Fellows. Bottom far right, FOA Lead Recreation Technician Rebecca Stanley.
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Friends of Acadia is deeply grateful to each and every individual who made gifts and purchases in 2019. Whether you gave $1 or $1,000,000, you provided the foundation for our work to preserve, protect, and promote stewardship of Acadia National Park. Because of space limitations, we have listed only those who made gifts of $100 and above.

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**Elevation 1,173 feet**

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**Elevation 1,418 feet**

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**Elevation 839 feet**

- **Elevation 839 feet**
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**Elevation 839 feet**

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Elevation 681 feet
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Outstanding Contributions to Friends of Acadia

Awards for public service, volunteerism, corporate support, and distinguished service were announced during the Friends of Acadia (FOA) Annual Meeting in July of 2019. A video of the entire meeting can be viewed online on the Friends of Acadia Facebook Page.

The Marianne Edwards Distinguished Service Award
Retired Acadia National Park Rangers Bruce Connery and Judy Hazen Connery were honored with the Marianne Edwards Distinguished Service Award, named for FOA’s founder. The honor acknowledges the couple’s unswerving commitment to science, to education, and to inspiring young conservation stewards in the park. Bruce, a wildlife biologist, and Judy, a natural resources specialist, moved to the Teton Valley, Idaho last year.

Outstanding Public Service Award
Acadia National Park Roads Foreman Alan Farnsworth received the Friends of Acadia Outstanding Public Service Award. Farnsworth, who retired in 2019 after a 30-year career, supervised all roads in the park, especially the motor-free carriage road system. He was praised for his masterful curation of Acadia’s historic carriage and motor roads, embracing preservation standards, and for his kind and insightful leadership of numerous park staff and volunteer teams.

Conservation Colleague Award
David Woodside, President of the Acadia Corporation, received the Conservation Colleague Award on behalf of the company. In addition to regular donations and in-kind support, Acadia Corp also allocates a percentage of all sales from their Acadia Park Company store in downtown Bar Harbor to FOA. Friends of Acadia Development Director Lisa Horsch Clark noted the company has made gifts and supported FOA for more than 30 years.

Excellence in Volunteerism Award
Volunteers from the Wild Gardens of Acadia are all smiles after receiving Friends of Acadia’s Excellence in Volunteerism Award. In presenting the honor, Supervisory Gardener Geneva Langley cited the volunteers’ triumph over adversity in restoring the garden after a disastrous flood and flash-freeze event during the winter of 2018. She praised the group’s work to not only take care of the gardens but also to raise funds and make sure visitors can continue to learn about Acadia’s native plants and natural habitats.
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George B. Dorr Society For Planned Giving

The 2019 George B. Dorr Society gathering was an extra special one—the 15th anniversary event—focusing on the history of trail building in Acadia and featuring long-time Acadia Trail Foreman Gary Stellpflug.

In late July, members of the society and other special guests gathered at the Asticou Inn in Northeast Harbor to celebrate Acadia, its history, and its beautiful trail system. The gathering was sponsored by William Blair, a global investment banking and wealth management firm based in Chicago. There were a record 70 guests in attendance. After the delicious lunch, those up for a hike joined Gary, Friends of Acadia President David MacDonald, and other FOA and Acadia National Park leaders on the Jordan Pond Asticou Trail to hear about bridge building, boundaries, and history of the trail system.

The George B. Dorr Society for Planned Giving recognizes those members and friends who have documented bequests or other provisions for Friends of Acadia in their estate plans. The Dorr Society honors George Bucknam Dorr, gentleman, scholar, and lover of nature, whose dedication to preserving Mount Desert Island helped create Acadia National Park. The society was established in 2003 with 18 founding members and has grown to over 100 member families.

If you have made provisions for Friends of Acadia in your estate plans or would like information about joining the George B. Dorr Society, please contact Lisa Horsch Clark, Director of Development and Donor Relations, at 207-288-3340 or lisahorsch@friendsofacadia.org.


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Advocacy Advances

On the advocacy front, in addition to visits to Capitol Hill, Friends of Acadia met locally with Interior Secretary David Bernhardt and members of Maine’s Congressional Delegation. FOA also worked with other partners in a national coalition to spotlight more than $65 million in deferred maintenance projects in Acadia.

Also, FOA fielded its first-ever advocacy intern, Maya Sosland, who helped shape the regulatory process for a 195-foot cell tower in Southwest Harbor that could impact views from the park’s historic trails.

AcadiaQuest Goes Digital

Acadia Quest, Friends of Acadia’s fun and educational program designed to get adults and children outside into the park, took a major leap forward in 2019 with the launch of the Acadia Quest mobile app. With the app, Quest teams can access maps, watch videos of park staff interviews, view portraits, and discover where to collect digital badges in Acadia.

In 2019, the 11th year for the program, the “Pathmakers Edition” included trail activities along with hikes chosen by Acadia National Park trail crew and Acadia Youth Conservation Corps members.

The app is available for both iOS and Android platforms and operates on smartphones, tablets, and desktop computers. The download is free. Search the app store for “Friends of Acadia,” or visit www.friendsofacadia.oncell.com. A PDF version can be downloaded from the FOA website.
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**TOTAL DIRECT SUPPORT PROVIDED TO ACADIA AND THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES**  

**$2,854,080**
2019 Financial Overview

**REVENUE**
- Contributions, grants, and events $3,105,585
- Donor-restricted funds used for intended purposes $2,889,258

**TOTAL** $5,994,843

**EXPENSES**

**Programs**
- Resource preservation and protection $2,783,151
- Education and outreach 232,678

**TOTAL PROGRAMS** $3,015,829

**Supporting Services**
- Development $758,720
- Management and general 332,423

**TOTAL SUPPORTING SERVICES** $1,091,143

**TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES** $4,106,972

**CHANGE IN NET ASSETS FROM OPERATIONS** $1,887,871

**COMPOSITION OF NET ASSETS**
- Unrestricted (available for general support) $6,281,452
- Temporarily Restricted for Specific Purpose $34,960,482
- Permanently Restricted Endowments $22,657,307

**TOTAL NET ASSETS** $63,899,241

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