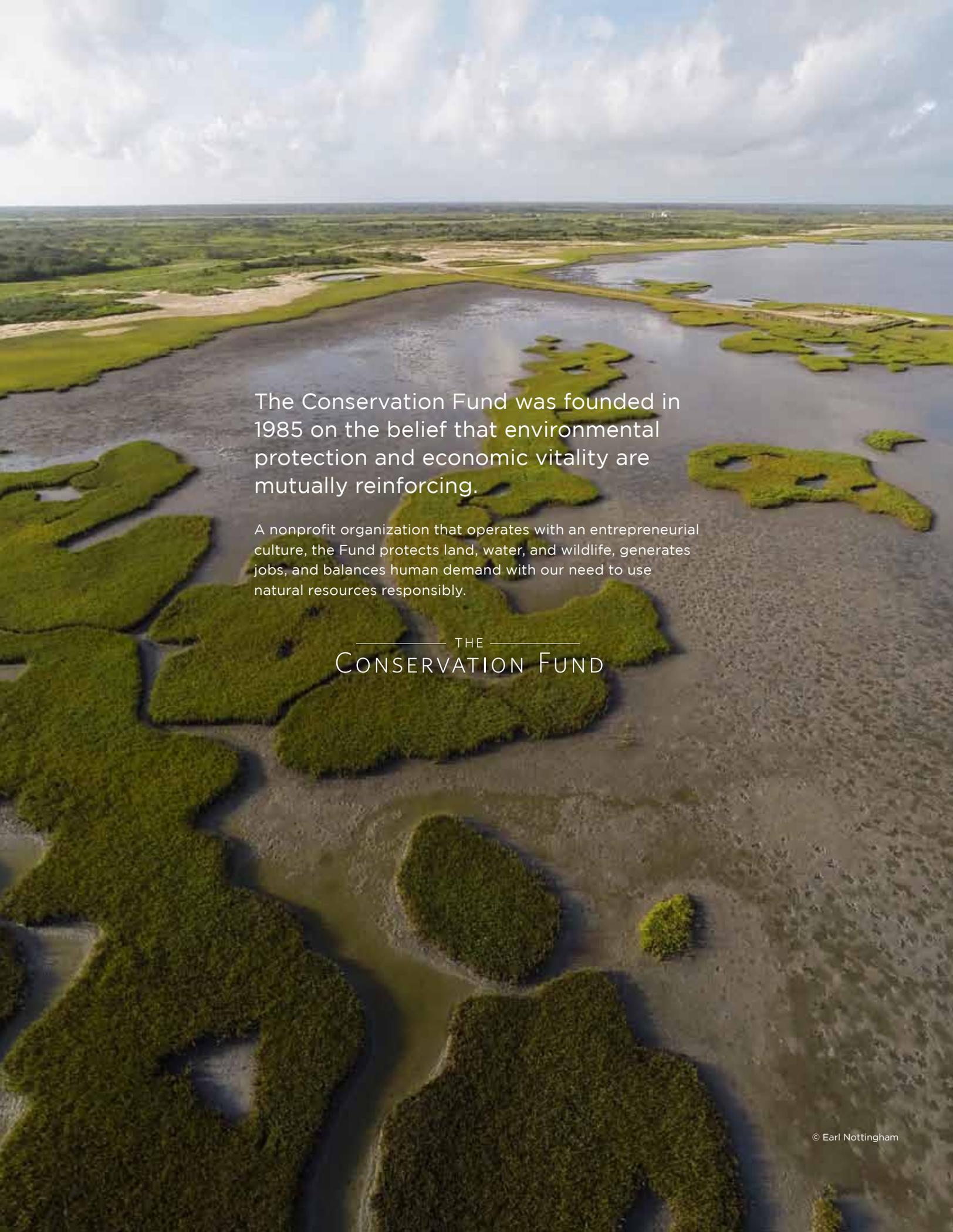


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CONSERVATION LOANS

Flexible Financing And Tailored Support
To Advance Conservation



The Conservation Fund was founded in 1985 on the belief that environmental protection and economic vitality are mutually reinforcing.

A nonprofit organization that operates with an entrepreneurial culture, the Fund protects land, water, and wildlife, generates jobs, and balances human demand with our need to use natural resources responsibly.

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HAVE A CONSERVATION GOAL? WE CAN HELP.

Our Conservation Loans program is North America's leading conservation finance provider, supplying \$200 million for the protection of more than 140,000 acres since 1993. We offer versatile, low-interest loans to help conservation efforts of all sizes achieve success. Our mission is to help accelerate the pace of conservation in your community.

We Finance:

- Land, Conservation Easement, and Water Rights Purchases
- Trail and Park Acquisitions and Construction
- Farms, Food Systems and Farmers Markets
- Nature Centers, Arboretums and Historic Lands
- Habitat Restoration and Ecosystem Services
- Tribal, State, County, City and Town Conservation Priorities
- Initiatives to Connect People to Nature



With our on-the-ground knowledge of conservation real estate, finance and community engagement, we provide the tools that our partners need to complete their projects and advance their missions.

OUR SERVICES

Recognizing that the goals and needs of every organization are unique, we offer a tailored approach, working one-on-one with our borrowers to address their specific priorities through innovative and versatile lending.

We Provide:

- Low-interest loans
- Real estate and fundraising guidance
- Strategic conservation planning
- Congressional outreach and support
- One-on-one coaching



OUR STRENGTHS

We have three decades of conservation experience, enabling us to evaluate potential projects and provide assistance on real estate transactions, project development, fundraising and marketing—ensuring that our borrowers achieve their goals and enhance their internal capacity along the way.

- **Experience** - Unlike traditional lenders, we understand the challenges and opportunities of conservation projects. We are uniquely able to evaluate projects and provide expert advice on financial transactions and conservation collaborations.
- **Flexibility** - We provide versatile and immediate help to advance our partners' successes by offering practical payment schedules and collateral requests, as well as competitive rates.
- **Momentum** - Urgent conservation priorities often cannot wait for funding to become available. We move swiftly to provide bridge financing, keeping our partners' priorities on schedule.

Conservation Loans

BY THE NUMBERS

With our backing local
conservationists have protected more than

140,000 ACRES

in the United States and Canada
and helped connect hundreds of thousands
of people to nature.

By revolving our

\$50 MILLION LOAN FUND

we have provided

350 LOANS

to more than

150 PARTNERS

MEET OUR BORROWERS

We are inspired by the passionate work of our partners to create conservation solutions for their communities. Hear from a few who are achieving their goals with our support.

“All our projects are based on reimbursement, and that makes it difficult to manage cash flow. We’ve been unable to get financing from three different banks, despite having \$7 million in contracts. The Conservation Fund understood our situation. With the Fund’s support, we are charging ahead on dozens of projects with great momentum. These projects wouldn’t happen without them.”

- Claire Robinson, Executive Director, Amigos De Los Rios

“We love working with The Conservation Fund because they are fast, efficient and user friendly. Not just a lender, but a partner in making conservation happen.”

- Kristin DeBoer, Executive Director, Kestrel Land Trust

“Receiving a loan from The Conservation Fund put a stamp of approval on our project for both individual and foundation donors, and I believe that helped us succeed in meeting our fundraising goals.”

- Steven Hufnagel, Executive Director,
Damariscotta River Association



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Whether it's your first conservation project or you're part of a veteran organization, we have the knowledge and resources you need. Contact us today to discuss your conservation vision and financing needs.

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