Financial Highlights 2019–2020

The Value Proposition
Funding Our Water, Wildlife & Way of Life — How Much Is It Worth?

The cost of managing, maintaining and improving these properties is a primary component of the Conservation District’s annual operating budget and includes experienced and knowledgeable personnel who are responsible for the stewardship and day-to-day management of these natural and built environmental assets. Conservation Stewardship is an all-hands-on-deck endeavor and comes at a bargain price.

For every dollar a resident pays in property taxes, approximately $0.02 is paid to the McHenry County Conservation District. Less than $0.01 goes for the purpose of operating and managing public lands that constitute the natural heritage of McHenry County. Slightly over $0.01 goes to service the Conservation District’s debt approved by the voters for the preservation of public open space, protection of wildlife habitat and public access improvements.

McHenry County Conservation District has been extremely effective in managing investments made by our residents through property taxes, user fees and individual donations of time, talent and resources. 82.9% of the Conservation District’s operating revenue comes from property taxes and the remainder from user fees, licenses, grants, donations and sponsorships.

Investing in a Healthy Future for McHenry County

There is immense value in preserving the natural treasures of McHenry County while they remain. Wide open spaces contribute greatly to our quality of life, not only by contributing to our overall health (physical, mental, and spiritual as places to rest, play, reflect and explore) but by their intrinsic value as well.

Looking ahead, the Conservation District will remain steadfast in its mission to provide a myriad of ecosystem services, education programs and recreational activities that will promote the health, happiness and heritage of our human and non-human constituents. We make a difference for current and future generations by pledging to stand up for our water, wildlife and way of life in McHenry County. Together, we can continue to make McHenry County vibrant, resilient and sustainable.

Statement of Revenues & Expenditures
All Funds—Summarized, Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2020*

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<th>Revenues:</th>
<th>Actual</th>
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<td>Tax Revenue</td>
<td>20,166,244</td>
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<td>Grants</td>
<td>446,717</td>
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<td>Farm &amp; Property Leases</td>
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<td>Investment Income</td>
<td>478,965</td>
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<td>Programs &amp; Services</td>
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<td>Other Revenues</td>
<td>302,492</td>
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<td><strong>Total Revenues</strong></td>
<td><strong>$22,962,467</strong></td>
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<td>Debt Service</td>
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<td>Operations</td>
<td>9,323,552</td>
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<td>Capital Outlays:</td>
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<td>Land Acquisition</td>
<td>223,488</td>
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<td>Sites &amp; Trails</td>
<td>624,513</td>
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<td>Other</td>
<td>226,687</td>
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<td><strong>Total Expenditures</strong></td>
<td><strong>$22,496,740</strong></td>
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<th>Other Financing Sources:</th>
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<td>Sale of Capital Assets</td>
<td>23,725</td>
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<td><strong>Total Other Sources</strong></td>
<td><strong>$23,725</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Net Change in Fund Balances</strong></td>
<td><strong>$489,452</strong></td>
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TOTAL SITE USE VISITORS ... over one million!

1,068,072

# Services  # Served
193 School Programs  = 9,612
256 Education Programs  = 5,384
122 Wildlife Programs  = 2,973
609 Camp Sites Reserved  = 7,630
172 Special Use Permits Issued  = 4,788
112 Picnic Shelters Reserved  = 4,040
2019–2020 Special Event Sponsors

3rd Annual

Run Wild...
Race for Open Space 5K

3rd Bi-Annual

McHenry County Conservation District
CONGRESS 2020

Silver Sponsor:
Community Foundation for McHenry County
Bronze Sponsors
Nature’s Scholars Enrichment Center
McHenry County Economic Development Corporation

Donations
McHenry County Conservation Foundation .................. $61,294.61
Lake Elizabeth; Alden Sedge Meadow Seed Purchase; Glacial Park Stewardship; Big Woods

General Donations ............................................. $4,185.75
Meghan Burks ........ $400.00 Eagle Scout Troop 455 ... $330.89

Wildlife Resource Center ................................ $575
Bull Valley Garden Club Johnsburg Public Library
Michael & Karen Cooper Adem & Kelly Kulauzovic
Bridge Friske Melanie Langes
Karen Golembiewski Sabina Tanda
Hilltop PTO Nadine Nevin

Education Dept. ............................................. $535
Cary Library MCCF
Eagles of Illinois Program Sun City

Grants
IL Dept. of Commerce & Economic Opportunity—
LVVC Entrance Drive ........................................ $241,651.81
IL Clean Energy Community Foundation—
Wetlands Parcel Purchase ................................ $187,272.00
IL Clean Energy Community Foundation—Alden Gap Marsh . $17,370.69
Liberty Prairie Foundation—Food: Land: Opportunity Grant . $9,986.79
IL Dept. of Natural Resources—Snowmobile Grant ........ $6,469.16

BIG WOODS Donations
Algonquin/Lake in the Hills Rotary Club
Michael Babcan - Cherokee Nation Tribe
Elaine Baron
Claire Brundage
Peter Brunette
Meghan Burks
Sharon Davis
Angela Guthrie
Shannon Guzick
Gary Kanner
Ryan Ludwikowski
David and Beth Macaulay
Larry Martin
McHenry County Conservation Foundation
David Miller
Nick Porcaro
Jonathan Silverman
Alexandra Wieczorek
Debbie Williams

Birthday Tree for
Devan Verma
Paul and Sharon Dehaan

To Honor the Memory of
Edward Gorka
Karlith Gorka

In memory of
Carol A. Schachter
Karlith Gorka

To Honor the Memory of
Barbara Schneider
Charlotte and John McCarthy
Cheryl Lawrence
Rosemary Fermo

To Honor the Memory of
Scott Pannier
Mona Kahney
Verna Springs/David Regier
Shannon Green & Scott Johnson
Peter Brunette

To Honor the Memory of
Kent Krautstrunk
Susan Farrell
Beverly Hoehne

To Honor the Memory of
Susan Farrell

To Honor the Memory of
Petrananna and Herbert Moreland
Michelle Armstrong & Victoria Moreland

In Memory of
Thornton Douglass

District Volunteers
Donated 8,406 hours FY19–20 — representing a value of $213,765*

2019 Seed Collection Results:
39 Volunteers • 410 Volunteer Hours
• 111 Native Species Collected •
1,686 lbs of Seed Collected (post processing) = $101,208 Total Market Seed Value, and Savings to the Conservation District!

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*based on national average of $25.43 per volunteer hour.