

**WE ARE A MEMBERSHIP FUNDED,
NON-PROFIT LAND TRUST.**

The Trust actively works to preserve streams and land through permanent conservation and protection agreements (known as conservation easements) and stewardship of these properties.

As a land trust, we help landowners retain control of their family land, while preserving farming and rural heritage, the environment, and economy of our area.

JOIN US TODAY!

Cover: View of easement protected, Sugar Valley Farm.

Clockwise: Beck Farm Cottage, our office location;

A variety of gourds from a local farm;

Merlin Siebel, farmer and easement donor;
and the Roark Farm agricultural easement.



MAIL TO:

*Working with people and communities
to conserve your natural environment
and cultural heritage*

THREE VALLEY CONSERVATION TRUST

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OUR MISSION

Three Valley Conservation Trust works with people and communities to conserve your natural environment and cultural heritage

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**THREE VALLEY
CONSERVATION TRUST**

PRESERVATION THROUGH CONSERVATION AND AGRICULTURAL EASEMENTS

- ▶ An easement is a permanent legal agreement bound to the land, not the owner, with no public access permitted.
- ▶ Its terms and conditions are developed by the landowner and the Trust.
- ▶ It preserves the conservation values of property forever.
- ▶ Easement values may include:
 - ▶ Agriculture
 - ▶ Wildlife habitat and unique plant life
 - ▶ Stream corridors
 - ▶ Woodlands
 - ▶ Historic structures
- ▶ Property owners retain private ownership and use.
- ▶ Development rights are donated to Three Valley Conservation Trust as a charitable contribution.



The Three Valley Conservation Trust works in seven counties in Ohio and Indiana.

THREE VALLEY CONSERVATION TRUST PROVIDES DIVERSE ASSISTANCE

TVCT:

- ▶ Helps preserve family lands through strategies designed to carry out landowner's wishes.
- ▶ Identifies potential tax incentives for the landowner.
- ▶ Acquires funds for limited easement purchases.
- ▶ Monitors protected lands yearly to assure their use adheres to the terms of the agreement.
- ▶ Provides estate planning and conservation based development options.

SUPPORT TO FARMING FAMILIES

TVCT:

- ▶ Assists farm families achieve their goals for:
 - ▶ Farming
 - ▶ Land protection
 - ▶ Habitat
 - ▶ Financial well being
- ▶ Helps eligible farmers apply for Federal, State and Local Grants to permanently preserve their farms.
- ▶ Has secured over \$10 million in land protection funds over the last four years. 100% of this money has been distributed directly to landowners.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

TVCT:

- ▶ Assists citizens and governments to create land use and watershed protection policies.
 - ▶ Such policies may be for:
 - ▶ Green space & farmland preservation
 - ▶ Conservation zoning & low impact development

I WANT TO JOIN THE THREE VALLEY CONSERVATION TRUST!

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ST _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

- Send the newsletter via email to the address above.
 I would like to volunteer.

MEMBERSHIP LEVELS:

TRUST PARTNERS

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Guardian \$500-999 | <input type="checkbox"/> Contributor \$250-499 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sponsor \$100-249 | <input type="checkbox"/> Member \$50-99 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Student \$25 | <input type="checkbox"/> Other \$_____ |

TRUST BENEFACTORS

- | | |
|---|-----------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Great Blue Heron Group | \$10,000+ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Founder's Society | \$2,500 + |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservationist | \$1,000 |

- My company has a matching gift program, I will send the appropriate form.

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____

- MasterCard VISA Check

3-Digit Security Code _____ Exp. Date _____

Print name as it appears on the card.

Signature _____

Checks are payable to:
Three Valley Conservation Trust.

Mail membership form and payment to:

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Below: Heron rookery in Butler County

Photo courtesy of Thomas Sargero, MD



TVCT holds almost **10,000 acres** and more than **25 miles of stream corridors** of conservation and agricultural easements.