

YOUR PARTNER IN CONSERVATION

Since the inception of CALC in 1995, the Cadillac Land Conservancy has:

- Protected over 3000 acres of natural, scenic, and farm lands through Conservation Easements on private lands. These lands will remain *undeveloped forever*.
- Established for public Nature Preserves,
 - Waldeck Island,
 - Oliver Family Nature Preserve
 - Carl T. Johnson Preserve
 - Kohn Family Nature Preserve.
- Conduct annual monitoring and stewardship of easement properties to ensure ongoing compliance with conservation easement terms.
- Built coalitions with state and local agencies to identify priority “wildlife corridors” for establishing future easements. These private lands can provide links between larger habitat areas of public land, if they are left undeveloped. In our service area, we have identified five corridors for black bear migration and breeding.
- Conducted community outreach for education, fostering appreciation of the natural environment and encouraging future conservation efforts.

BALANCING PROGRESS AND PROTECTION.

CALC cannot protect land without support from people who share our vision. As a non-profit volunteer organization, we depend upon individual charitable contributions and grants to accomplish our work.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

We appreciate the many supporters and volunteers who have shared in our success. Today, we ask you to join your friends and neighbors by making a financial investment in protecting the local landscapes we all value.

Land Transactions

Funds are used for costs associated with completing conservation easements.

Stewardship and Monitoring

CALC is committed to ensuring the compliance of easement terms in perpetuity.

Organizational Capacity

These funds will allow our organization to become even more effective, by expanding our base, creating new partnerships, enhancing ongoing operations, and developing future staff capability.

Endowment

The Cadillac Area Land Conservancy Endowment Fund is managed through the Cadillac Area Community Foundation.

Other Options

Many approaches to planned giving or estate planning are available.



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Take a moment to visualize the place that first made you stop and notice the beauty of our landscape.

Our connections to places have value – a value that makes special places worth saving. As a person who understands this value, we ask you to play a role – make an investment in the natural areas that mean so much to our community's future.

We ask you to support the Cadillac Area Land Conservancy as we write tomorrow's story.

Together, we can give back to the place that has given us so much.



PROTECTING THE PLACES THAT MATTER

Connecting people with the tools to protect their land

The Cadillac Area Land Conservancy (CALC) is a non-profit conservation organization working diligently to protect important and significant landscapes that make Wexford, Missaukee, Osceola, and northern Lake and Mason counties special. We focus our land conservation efforts to permanently protect:

- **Watershed quality** threatened by excessive or improper development.
- **Wildlife values** lost when land is fragmented, eliminating its use as habitat, or for wildlife corridors.
- **Family farms** keeping them from being broken up and preserving heritage.
- **Scenic values** of natural beauty, keeping landscapes from being altered forever.
- The very character of the land that inspires you and brings people to our area to live and recreate is lost.

Supporting healthy communities and protecting wild places is *a delicate balance.*

Without proper planning, the natural features that make our area unique are in jeopardy. Future environmental and scenic quality depends upon taking action now. We have an opportunity today to make a direct impact on what the future holds for our region.

CALC works with land owners to meet our mission.

Our primary effort is helping private property owners establish conservation easements on their land. Future owners are also bound by easement terms. We also accept land or monetary donations for establishing nature preserves.

Conservation Easements

A conservation easement is a voluntary legal agreement between a private landowner and CALC which permanently limits some uses of the land to protect its natural and scenic resources. A landowner may continue to own, use, sell, or pass the land on to heirs, and may receive financial tax advantages by having land protected through a conservation easement. Future owners are also bound by easement terms.

Nature Preserves

A preserve is land that is donated to or acquired by CALC, meeting qualifications to be protected for its conservation values. Permanent protection is tailored to the property and donor's interests, and is managed for public use.

"Beyond our family, we can think of few things better to leave on this earth, than a piece of property that will be preserved for generations to come."

—Floyd & Pat Lawless