



TOGETHER, WE CONNECT

2025 IMPACT REPORT

A NOTE FROM OUR CEO

2025 MARKED A YEAR OF PROGRESS for the Florida Wildlife Corridor Foundation, where our strategy turned into action and vision became visible on the ground. As our collaborative campaign to connect, protect, and restore the Corridor continues to grow, so too does our ability to deliver lasting conservation outcomes across Florida.

In this 2025 impact report, you'll see how focused investment, scientific guidance, and deep partnerships have advanced protection in some of the Corridor's most urgent and vulnerable landscapes. By prioritizing irreplaceable connections and aligning land conservation with policy, planning, and community engagement, we are not only safeguarding habitat, but we are also strengthening the ecological backbone that supports Florida's wildlife, water, and way of life.

This year also set new records for conservation and engagement across Florida. State leaders approved funding to conserve more than 160,000 acres within and adjacent to the Florida Wildlife Corridor, marking one of the most significant years for land protection in the Corridor's history. At the same time, Corridor Connect 2025 brought together over 650

attendees, making it our largest convening ever and a powerful signal of growing alignment and urgency. Beyond the summit, we commissioned more murals and hosted more Mind the Gaps workshops than ever before, deepening awareness and action in the communities most critical to the Corridor's future.

Because of your support, the Florida Wildlife Corridor is no longer just a vision on a map; it is a growing, living network of protected lands and connected pathways that future generations can experience firsthand. The impact detailed in this report is progress you can see, measure, and move through. Progress that you have been a part of.

Together, we are delivering results you can connect with.



In Connection,

Mallory Dimmitt

Mallory Dimmitt
CEO, Florida Wildlife Corridor Foundation

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(Cover) Storm Cloud Rolling Over Archbold Scrub, Ethan Coyle;
(Above) Foggy Pines, Lucas Delgado

FINANCE

REVENUE

Grants
\$744,450

Individual contributions
\$1,225,322

Partner Support
\$2,942,300

Sponsorships
\$940,146

Sales Revenue
\$132,755

Investment revenue
\$409,258

In-kind revenue
\$437,024

Total revenue
\$6,831,255

EXPENSES

Total expenses
\$6,063,693

Liabilities
\$924,755

Assets
\$8,589,483

THE FLORIDA WILDLIFE CORRIDOR



DON'T MISS THIS IMPACT

09 Mind The Gaps

Four workshops, 22 priority gaps, and 600 community insights mapped to advance protection of the Corridor.

24 Corridor Connect Summit

650+ conservation leaders, 80+ organizations, and three days of collaboration to advance solutions for the Corridor.

30 Wild Space Gallery

World class exhibits, author talks, field workshops, the launch of our retail store, and more.



Mission:

To champion a collaborative campaign to permanently connect, protect, and restore the Florida Wildlife Corridor

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(Left + Below) Hammock, Jonathan Dickinson State Park, Ethan Coyle

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CORRIDOR PROGRESS

162,706.82 ACRES

Approved for conservation
within and adjacent to
the Corridor in 2025

463,610.82 ACRES

Total acres approved for
conservation within and adjacent
to the Corridor since the 2021 Act

Florida Wildlife Corridor Signs Unveiled at all **75 State Parks** in the Corridor!

The Governor's office, in partnership with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, has introduced a new Florida Wildlife Corridor sign that was installed in all 75 state parks within the Corridor. The Florida Department of Transportation has also installed the Corridor sign at the I-4 wildlife crossing. With more installations being planned statewide, these signs will help visitors help visitors know when they're entering the state's 18-million-acre connected landscape and to raise awareness for habitat protection efforts.



(Above + Left) Hobe Mountain Scrub, Corridor Sign, Ethan Coyle

ACCELERATING IMPACT

Today there are
hundreds of organizations
working to connect,
protect, and restore the
Florida Wildlife Corridor.

As the champion and the guidepost for the Corridor movement, we unite leaders and changemakers to elevate the Corridor and accelerate protection for its most urgent, vulnerable, and irreplaceable connections.

We do this through our strategic initiatives that focus on conservation, convenings, and advocacy.

OUR WORK IS ORGANIZED AND TARGETED ACROSS FOUR PILLARS OF IMPACT

I. URGENT CORRIDOR CONSERVATION:

We provide resources and collaborate with conservation partners to foster alignment on conservation of the Corridor overall and high priority, urgent and vulnerable regions. The Corridor Foundation's direct efforts are focused on initiatives that protect irreplaceable gaps by engaging local experts, equipping local decision-makers with web-based curriculum and toolkits, and advancing creative and collaborative conservation solutions.

II. CONVENING VIA CORRIDOR CONNECT ECOSYSTEM:

We strengthen leadership through inclusive collaboration, clear alignment, and focused action via the Summit, online platform, and Corridor Connect + virtual and live events.

III. TARGETED ADVOCACY:

We engage and educate decision-makers to support consistent annual funding for the state's land acquisition programs, accelerating Corridor protections and securing irreplaceable gaps.

IV. THRIVING FOUNDATION:

We build an intentional culture that attracts and retains top talent to efficiently and effectively implement objectives to protect the most urgent and vulnerable connections across the state and safeguard the wild Florida we know and love.

(Left) Osprey, Ethan Coyle

URGENT CORRIDOR CONSERVATION

For more than 15 years, the Corridor Foundation has championed awareness and action to protect the remaining 8 million acres of the Florida Wildlife Corridor that are not yet permanently protected. Now, as Florida welcomes nearly 1,000 new residents every day, the urgency has never been greater. Rapid growth is placing unprecedented pressure on the Corridor’s most vulnerable links, particularly across ten high-risk counties: Citrus, Collier, Hernando, Osceola, Marion, Polk, Lake, Leon, Orange, and Volusia. Without immediate intervention, an estimated 250,000 acres by 2030, including critical connections, could soon be lost to development.

The Corridor Foundation is focusing on 14 of those irreplaceable gaps: critical connection points or narrow gaps in the landscape, some less than a mile wide, that are irreplaceable to the integrity of the Corridor. If developed, these links will be permanently severed, fragmenting habitat, limiting wildlife movement, and weakening the resilience of Florida’s natural systems.

In response, our urgent conservation work focuses on collaborative action with the communities who live, work, and steward these lands. Through targeted community workshops, we are

convening local decision makers and community partners to identify these irreplaceable connections, elevate shared priorities, and co-create actionable conservation plans. The impact of this work includes shared identification of priority lands, locally driven action plans, strengthened cross-sector partnerships, increased readiness for protection, and accelerated conservation.



Critical Linkages Catalyst Fund

Hernando County

With support from the Corridor Foundation, Putnam Land Conservancy advanced conservation in two priority Florida Wildlife Corridor gaps, Ridge Manor and Georges Lake, supporting staff capacity, GIS analysis, and targeted landowner outreach.

Momentum is now visible in the irreplaceable Ridge Manor Gap, a nearly 3,000-acre link between the Withlacoochee State Forest, the Green Swamp, and the Chassahowitzka National Wildlife Refuge. Conservation in this area is complicated by the land being fragmented into small, separately owned parcels. After two years of strategy development, partner coordination, and community outreach, the project is in the final stages of Florida Forever approval (expected Q1 2026), making more than 3,000 acres eligible for future state acquisition.

A prioritized 600-acre corridor has been identified, and initial outreach has secured nine willing sellers totaling \$310,500, along with two donated parcels. Putnam Land Conservancy is completing these 11 transactions and will hold the properties until they can be transferred to Florida Forever with long-term management by the Florida Forest Service.

At Georges Lake, a Florida Forever boundary was expanded, allowing 330 acres to qualify for funding.

IMPACT:

By investing in local partner capacity and long-term strategy, we have helped catalyze real acquisition progress in two of the Corridor’s most complex and critical gaps.



(Above + Right + Below) Smokey Landscape, Mind The Gaps, Big Cypress Palms, Ethan Coyle

Collier County

Our work through our Critical Linkages Catalyst Fund with Conservation Collier has helped this important local government conservation initiative stay active, resulting in approximately seven properties in the Panther Walk area now progressing and awaiting bids.

2025 was a year of stringent budget cuts for many counties including Collier; our support enabled the program to continue even in this fiscally constrained time. This collaboration continues into 2026 with a one-year extension of the partnership.





MIND THE GAPS WORKSHOPS

By connecting people, tools, and resources, our Mind the Gaps (MTG) workshops mobilize communities to identify, prioritize, and act on the Corridor’s most vulnerable gaps, accelerating protection of lands that cannot be replaced.

- IMPACT:
- 4 workshops hosted
 - MTG 3: Flagler, Lake, Volusia
 - MTG 4: Lake, Orange, Osceola, Polk
 - MTG 5: Collier, Lee, Hendry
 - MTG 6: Jefferson, Leon, Wakulla
 - 22 gaps identified across 19 counties
 - 600 community-sourced insights informing strategies for local action

Attendee Type	MTG3	MTG4	MTG5	MTG6	Total
Local Government	18%	11%	10%	6%	11%
Regional Planning Council	8%	14%	11%	8%	10%
State Agency	13%	8%	13%	15%	12%
Federal Agency	3%	1%	6%	1%	3%
Tribal Representation	0%	0%	1%	7%	2%
NGO Environmental	6%	7%	13%	13%	10%
Academia/Research	11%	15%	7%	15%	12%
Land Trust	10%	9%	4%	6%	7%
Landowner	0%	5%	5%	4%	4%
Consultant	8%	12%	12%	5%	9%
Realtor	2%	1%	0%	0%	1%
Utility	0%	5%	1%	0%	2%
Other	0%	0%	2%	1%	1%
Corridor Staff	18%	8%	11%	16%	13%
Facilitator	3%	3%	2%	2%	3%
Total Attendance	62	74	82	85	303

Scaling MTGs for Statewide Impact:

To scale the impact of Mind the Gaps statewide, we partnered with 1000 Friends of Florida to develop two web-based training modules to assist local governments with development and implementation of Mind the Gaps programs within their communities. The draft curriculum was presented to the Florida Association of Counties annual conference (Summer 2025) and the Florida Chapter of the American Planning Association conference (September 2025).

By equipping local governments with practical tools and shared strategies, this initiative lays the groundwork for coordinated, statewide conservation of the Corridor that will endure beyond any single project or funding cycle. Ultimately, these tools empower local decision makers across Florida to turn conservation goals into actionable plans that protect the Corridor where it matters most: on the ground.



MEET GAP MINDER
Karl Halbig
Property Manager,
21,450-acre Avalon Plantation

“By attending the recent Mind the Gaps workshop, I received a deeper appreciation for the shared value of land conservation and protection throughout the state and the work being done by the Florida Wildlife Corridor Foundation. I was able to meet and work with industry professionals, landowners, state agencies, county officials, and others to develop a better feel for how to identify key parcels of land in the area that would be crucial to connecting other conservation easement properties. The workshop helped challenge my thought process towards large scale conservation efforts and opened a wide network of contacts.

“The format of the workshop encouraged attendees to engage and discuss topics to better understand what is happening at the local level. The networking and resources provided by the Florida Wildlife Corridor Foundation will be valuable in reaching landowners who may be considering a conservation easement but are unsure of where to begin. As one who manages a property under conservation easement, I can not only share my experiences but also help point them in the right direction through the wide range of contacts represented at the workshop.

"A Florida native, I was born in Ocala and grew up in the cattle business. Following college, my passion for agriculture, wildlife, and land management lead me to many great career opportunities from working in real estate, managing large cow-calf and seedstock operations in South Georgia, and serving as General Manager of a commercial plantation with a sharp focus on wildlife management, hospitality, and service. Still searching for an opportunity to be a part of something that I felt I could leave a lasting impact for future generations led me to my current role as Property Manager for Avalon Plantation. I have been with Avalon since August of 2022, and my wife Abbie also works at Avalon as the Wildlife and Natural Resources Biologist. We have two daughters, Hadley (14) and Haynes (11) who attend school in Thomasville, Georgia.

Avalon Plantation is a privately owned property located approximately 30 miles East of Tallahassee in the Red Hills region of Florida which is known for its rich biodiversity, rolling hills and red clay. Encompassing 21,450 acres, the property primarily operates as a hunting and conservation property managed for the production of wild quail, timber and other wildlife. Avalon is protected under two conservation easements through The Nature Conservancy and most recently, the Florida Forever Program. Avalon's conservation focus dates back nearly 40 years with projects ranging from large-scale longleaf pine plantings, refuge for Red-Cockaded Woodpeckers, and Long-Term Protected recipient sites for Gopher Tortoises."



MEET GAP MINDER
Sheeja George
Research Coordinator, Proposal Action Team, UF IFAS

“What struck me about these workshops was the ability of the Corridor Foundation to build such a diverse stakeholder network that is also so deeply engaged in the mission. To me, that level of entrenchment is what is needed for any initiative to be impactful.

“Key takeaways for me were that I saw several synergies that could be leveraged. Because of the workshop, I was able to invite Corridor Foundation staff and partners to another workshop and extend those connections with UF IFAS stakeholders and agricultural producers having similar conversations. We don’t always have to work together but we must be aware of the various circles and check in with each other to know what is going on to avoid redundancy, lean into each partner’s strengths, and leverage those for greatest impact.”

Sheeja George is a Research Coordinator within the Proposal Action Team (PACT) at the University of Florida, Institute for Food and Agricultural Sciences. In this role she helps build trans-disciplinary and integrated teams for proposal development, works with Project Directors and teams to help tailor project ideas to funding agency priorities, provides feedback on proposal content, coordinates red team reviews, and assists faculty with navigating the proposal development space. She has experience working with state and federal agencies as well as the private sector. She has postdoctoral research and extension experience in sustainable agricultural systems, bioenergy, soil health, and related areas since 2006. She is a certified Project Management Professional. Her passion is to bring people together, both inside and outside of work.

(Next) Gator Crossing, Fisheating Creek, Springs Paddling, Ethan Coyle

PAYMENT FOR ECOSYSTEM SERVICES

In partnership with the Balmoral Group, we launched The Wildlife Corridor Payment for Ecosystem Services (Corridor PES) Pilot Program: the first Florida PES program where connectivity is the primary requirement. This is an exciting new effort made possible through a \$1.6M US Department of Defense Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration (REPI) Challenge Grant.

The main goal is to encourage more landowners to get involved in conserving the Corridor, with the pilot focusing on key areas around the Avon Park Air Force Range. Eligible landowners are initially offered five-year agreements, with the hope that these will eventually lead to permanent conservation.

Key Takeaways:

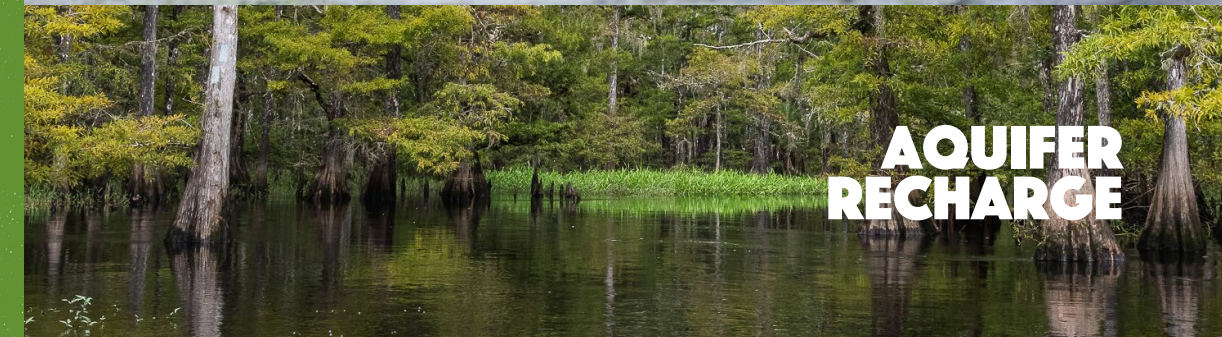
The intake website is now live, and applications are being reviewed for this pilot program which was designed to provide financial compensation to landowners to maintain their land in an undeveloped state and provide one or more of three ecosystem services:

Habitat Connectivity Aquifer Recharge Water Quality

The impact of this program will help protect lands from development, buying time to explore additional conservation opportunities while maintaining the ecosystem services that benefit Floridians.



**HABITAT
CONNECTIVITY**



**AQUIFER
RECHARGE**



**WATER
QUALITY**

TALL TIMBERS GRANT

Tall Timbers, a research, stewardship, and land trust organization operating in the 11-county Red Hills region of North Florida and South Georgia, embarked on a parcel-level modeling effort that looks at both ecological value and development pressure for strategic landowner outreach. With modeling support from Florida State University, the project helps prioritize the most ecologically valuable and vulnerable landscapes and provides a scalable blueprint that other conservation organizations can replicate.

The Corridor Foundation’s funding and strategic guidance were instrumental in moving this effort from concept to implementation. The first modeling effort looked at Leon, Jefferson, and Wakulla counties, the same geography of the Corridor Foundation’s October 2025 Mind the Gaps workshop. Shane Wellendorf, Tall Timbers Land Conservancy Director, presented the model and interacted at each “Map Gap” table during the workshop, providing unique local knowledge to the participants. The week following, the information was more broadly distributed through the Corridor Connect + webinar, expanding regional awareness and application.

By combining ecological values across uplands and wetlands with indicators of development pressure, the model identifies parcels that are both ecologically significant and urgently in need of conservation action. According to Shane Wellendorf, “these parcel modeling efforts have allowed us to move from being assessment based to proactive of where we want to work.”

Simultaneously, Tall Timbers is increasing technical assistance, meeting landowners where they are. With our support, this proactive approach is already translating into expanded outreach, engaging more than 200 landowners in the initial tri-county geography (Leon, Jefferson, and Wakulla).

Going forward, they will continue their outreach campaign, focusing on strategic landowners based upon their novel conservation and development pressure prioritization tool.

IMPACT:

We’ve helped transform conservation planning from reactive to strategic, accelerating landowner engagement today while establishing a replicable, data-driven model that can guide conservation action across the Corridor and beyond.



(Above) St. Marks NWR, Lucas Delgado

(Next) Trail Work Day At Seminole Ranch and Orlando Wetlands Lucas Delgado

DISNEY TRAILS GRANT

Disney Conservation awarded a \$1 million grant to the Florida Wildlife Corridor Foundation to advance the creation of an interconnected network of natural habitat across nearly 18 million acres of Florida. This catalytic investment targets critical bottlenecks that connect already protected areas, strategically closing gaps to ensure wildlife can move freely and maintain healthy, genetically diverse populations.

Beyond land protection, the grant will also support building local awareness, interest, and access to the Corridor, expanding our Mind the Gaps workshops to equip local leaders and decision makers with the tools to identify pinch points and advance locally driven solutions. In select locations, resources will also support thoughtfully designed trailheads, increasing public access where conservation and recreation can be aligned without compromising ecological integrity.

More than a financial contribution, Disney’s investment signals national confidence in the Corridor vision and propels implementation at a pivotal moment, transforming connectivity from aspiration to action.

As Clare Martin, Senior Manager for Disney’s Nature Strategy & Integration, shared:

"What we really love is that the Florida Wildlife Corridor Foundation and this initiative takes it to the next level and really thinks about the entire ecosystem across the state of Florida, and how it benefits all those species and how it benefits all of us."





CORRIDOR
COLLABORATION
TEAMS

Under the leadership of the Corridor Foundation, 164 experts from 108 institutions collaborated through the Corridor Collaboration Teams to tackle three key conservation topics.

The results are already guiding action in Florida and beyond, with measurable impacts on trails, solar, and compatible development.

TRAILS

49 members | 32 institutions

Goal: Create a coordinated approach to trail planning across the Florida Wildlife Corridor.

Impact: Our work aligned trail priorities, assessed impacts, mapped networks for equitable and wildlife-sensitive access, and produced a toolkit to guide planning and expand connected trail networks.

The Trails Collaboration Team brought together 49 members from 32 organizations to create a coordinated approach to trail planning across Florida. Their work focused on aligning trail prioritization, identifying opportunities, and establishing a process for assessing potential impacts, ensuring the trail development supports both people and wildlife.



[View Toolkit](#)

A Mapping Subteam strengthened these efforts by visualizing existing trail networks and amenity gaps to guide equitable access, developing wildlife sensitivity guidance for compatibility, and identifying opportunities to co-locate trails, wildlife crossings, and corridors. Their work directly informs decision-making and on-the-ground trail improvements.

Key Deliverables:

[Drive Times](#)

[Paddling](#)

[Trailheads Buffer](#)

Additionally, a Toolkit Subteam developed a comprehensive resource toolkit to empower trail advocates, streamline project planning, and accelerate the expansion of connected trail networks.

CORRIDOR COMPATIBLE COMMUNITIES

30 members | 40 expert advisors | 50 institutions

Goal: Develop groundbreaking guidelines to help landowners, developers, and planners design communities that protect critical wildlife corridors.

Impact: Led by Cadence Landscape Architects and refined through five 2025 expert roundtables with The Nature Conservancy, the guidelines have moved from theory to practice and are now being piloted on real-world projects such as Deering Park in Volusia County.

This Team, comprised of 30 core members, 40 expert advisors, and participants from 50 institutions, developed groundbreaking guidelines to help landowners, developers, and planners design communities that protect critical wildlife corridors. As the guideline’s authors note:

“If we are to safeguard a functional statewide wildlife corridor, while accommodating population growth, planning must address both where it is appropriate to locate new communities within Florida, and how those communities are designed.”

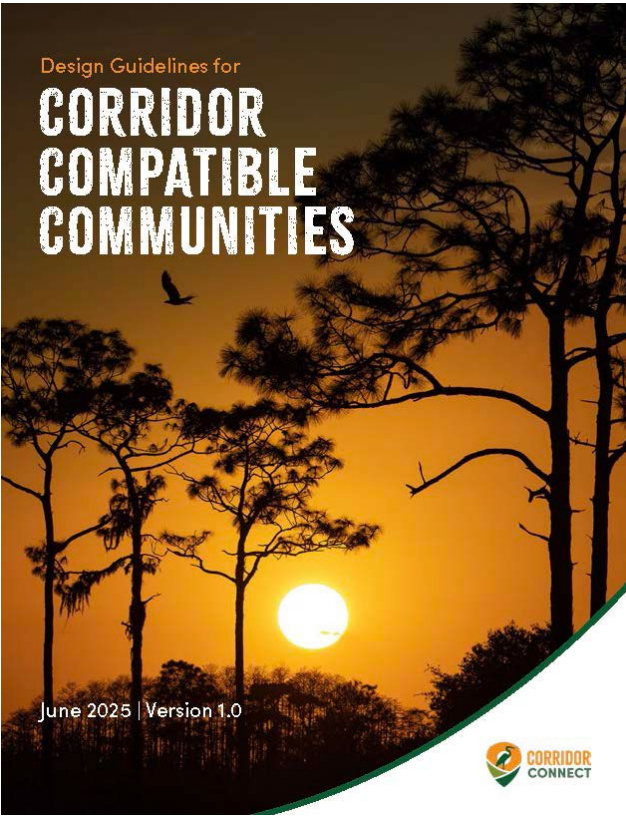
Led by Cadence, the guidelines focus on biodiversity, resilience, and connectivity across 15 qualities organized into four categories:

- 1. Site Planning & Design
- 2. Reducing Impacts from Infrastructure
- 3. Biodiversity and Ecological Improvements
- 4. Community Access, Culture, and Education.

Refined through five expert roundtables in 2025 in collaboration with The Nature Conservancy, these guidelines move from theory to practice. The draft was showcased at the 2025 Corridor Connect Summit and statewide planning and landscape architecture conferences, and is now being piloted on real-world projects such as Deering Park in Volusia County.

By providing actionable, publicly available guidance, the Corridor Compatible Communities Team is directly shaping how communities in Florida grow and keep the Corridor connected. The guidelines are publicly available online.

[Corridor Compatible Communities | Corridor Connect](#)



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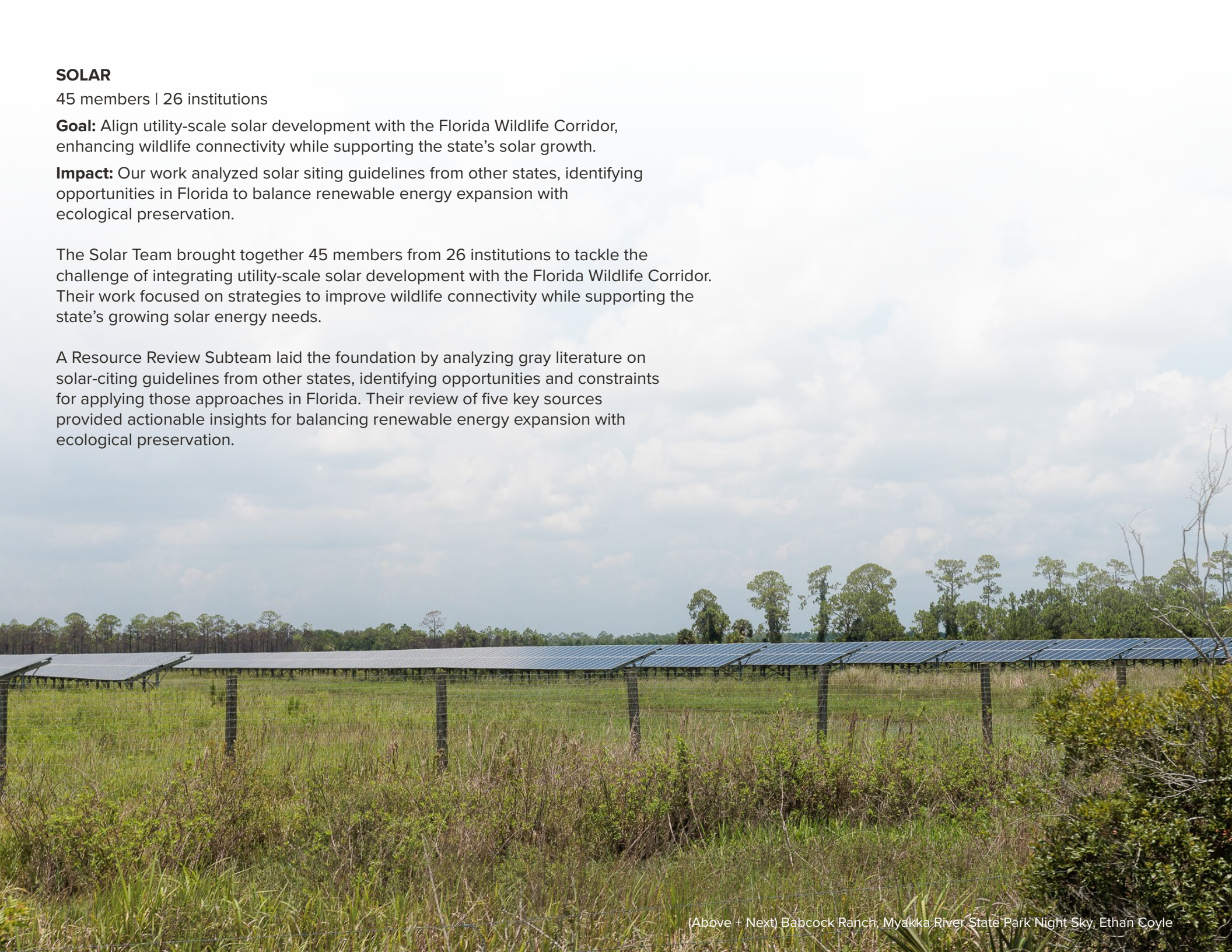
45 members | 26 institutions

Goal: Align utility-scale solar development with the Florida Wildlife Corridor, enhancing wildlife connectivity while supporting the state’s solar growth.

Impact: Our work analyzed solar siting guidelines from other states, identifying opportunities in Florida to balance renewable energy expansion with ecological preservation.

The Solar Team brought together 45 members from 26 institutions to tackle the challenge of integrating utility-scale solar development with the Florida Wildlife Corridor. Their work focused on strategies to improve wildlife connectivity while supporting the state’s growing solar energy needs.

A Resource Review Subteam laid the foundation by analyzing gray literature on solar-citing guidelines from other states, identifying opportunities and constraints for applying those approaches in Florida. Their review of five key sources provided actionable insights for balancing renewable energy expansion with ecological preservation.



(Above + Next) Babcock Ranch, Myakka River State Park Night Sky, Ethan Coyle



"Echoes of Resilience"
by Samara Ash.
Photo by Ethan Coyle

The Corridor Mural Campaign goes beyond public art to create a sense of place and strengthen connections between communities and the Corridor. Each mural, depicting native species, ecosystems, and the human connection to the Corridor, serves as a conversation starter and a symbol of Corridor Pride. These murals are installed across the state, depicting the region's native species ecological significance and inspiring community engagement so that when it comes time to make decisions about growth and development, the protection and connectivity of Florida's wild places are at the forefront.

CORRIDOR MURAL CAMPAIGN

In 2025, the Corridor Foundation launched three community-focused campaigns to engage residents, strengthen local connections, and ensure that conservation considerations guide future growth. Each initiative emphasized community identity, ecological awareness, and building relationships with local decision-makers to support the Florida Wildlife Corridor.

White Springs, Hamilton County

Gateway to White Springs: A Natural Haven at Suwannee Hardware Store

Florida's Living Giant at The Old Fire House

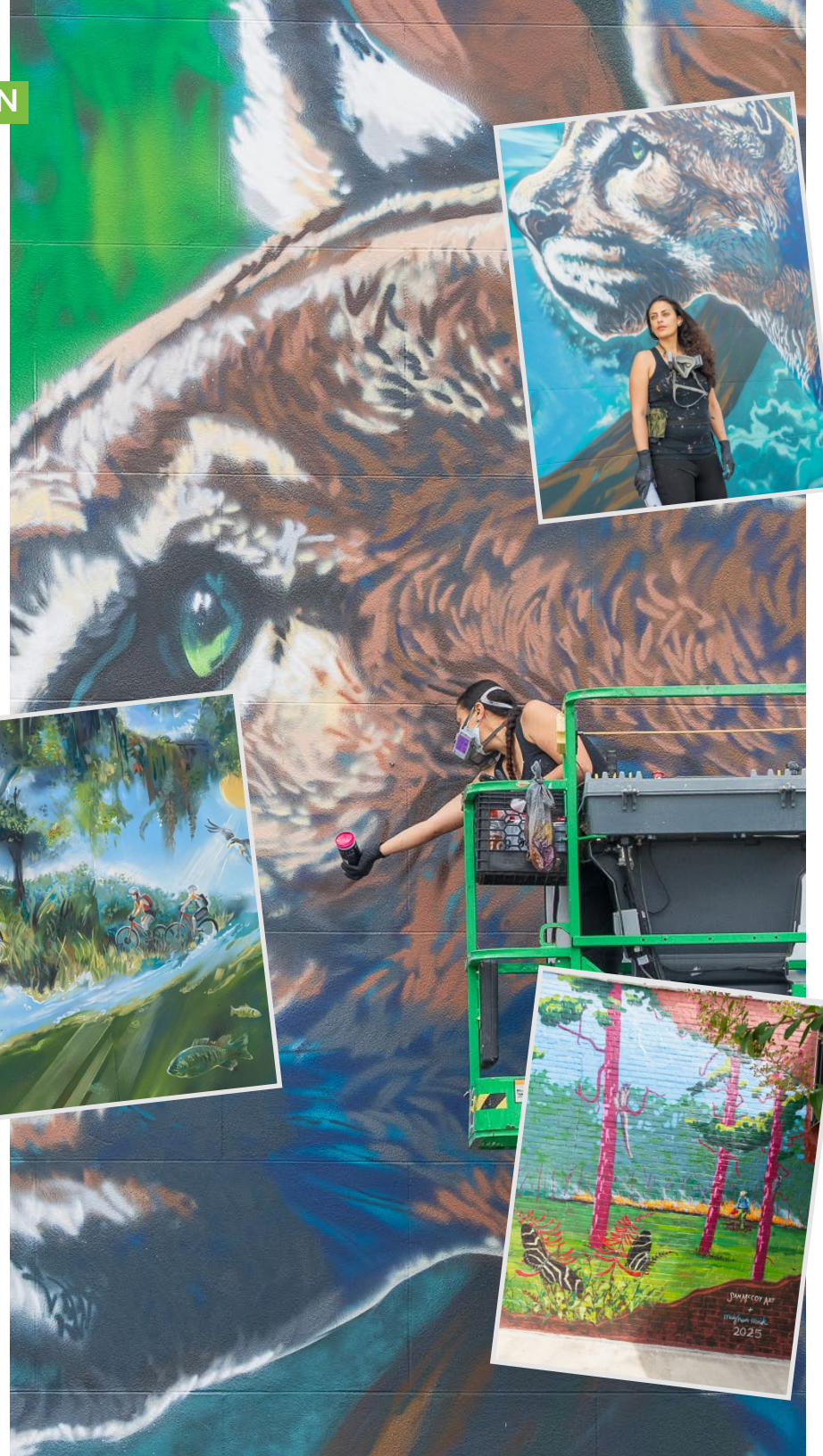
Nature's Rhythm at Bud's and Suds

Artist: Christian Stanley, CStanley Creative

Sponsors: Hamilton County Tourism Development Council

Partner Organizations: White Springs Historic Preservation Society and the Hamilton County Tourism Development Council

IMPACT: The Corridor took center stage at this year's Florida Trail Fest: three murals were celebrated in a parade, educational materials reached thousands, and the O2O Corridor film sparked community engagement and awareness of Florida's wildlife connectivity.



Lakeland, Polk County

Echoes of Resilience
at the RP Funding Center

Artist: Samara Ash

Sponsor: Disney

Partner Organization:

City of Lakeland and the Lakeland Community Redevelopment Agency

"We all need to be stewards of our lands and caretakers of our wildlife. This mural reminds us to be mindful of both."

Shelley Guiseppi,
Lakeland Community
Redevelopment Agency Project Manager

Monticello, Jefferson County

Dusk in the Longleaf Gap at
Vintage Treasures

Artists: Samantha McCoy
and Meghan Mick

Sponsors: Jefferson County Tourism Development Council

Partner Organization: Jefferson County BOCC and the Jefferson County Tourism Development Council

IMPACT: [Jefferson County Commissioners signed a proclamation recognizing the county's place in and importance of the Florida Wildlife Corridor.](#)

THANK YOU
Disney
MURAL CAMPAIGN SPONSOR



INSTALLATIONS AND TRAVELING EXHIBITS

TOGETHER, WE ARE THE CORRIDOR

Tour Locations: Lake, Orange, and Collier Counties

Artist: Christian Stanley, CStanley Creative

The “Together, We Are the Corridor” mural began as the vibrant stage backdrop for the 2025 Corridor Connect Summit’s Collaboratory, setting the tone for collaboration and shared vision. Since then, it has toured the state from Lake County to Collier County bringing the story of the Corridor to communities far and wide. The mural celebrates how the Florida Wildlife Corridor links public and private lands, providing food, fiber, recreation, and critical wildlife connectivity, and continues to inspire residents, local leaders, and visitors to see themselves as part of a connected, thriving landscape.



Journey through Broward County:

With support from Community Foundation Broward, we collaborated with the Museum of Discovery and Science and Flamingo Gardens in creating a two-location journey through Broward County’s diverse wildlife and ecosystems. These exhibits reach thousands of visitors and help raise awareness of the Florida Wildlife Corridor and the importance of protecting and connecting critical natural habitats across the state. A third location is coming soon to Hugh Taylor Birch State Park will expand this immersive experience even further, extending the Corridor’s story to new audiences.

Locations: Museum of Discovery and Science and Flamingo Gardens

Created in partnership with the Community Foundation of Broward

Connect & Protect Photography Exhibit:

In collaboration with Wildpath, the traveling Connect & Protect photography exhibit reached thousands of visitors at the Florida State Fair and hundreds more at the Corridor Connect Summit. The exhibit showcases the first 200,000 acres approved for protection following the 2021 signing of the Florida Wildlife Corridor Act through the Florida Forever and Rural and Family Lands Protection Programs.

Locations: Florida State Fair, Corridor Connect Summit

Featured Photographers: Carlton Ward Jr., Lauren Yoho, George McKenzie Jr.

Created in partnership with Wildpath



IMPACT:

These traveling exhibits bring the Corridor to high traffic areas raising awareness and encouraging urgent protection efforts.



PATCHWORK WILD:
STITCHING THE LAST STRANDS
FILM TOUR



Our most recent expedition film, [Patchwork Wild](#), premiered at the historic Tampa Theatre then toured the “footprint” of the expedition region – reaching 1,731 conservation partners, local community leaders, civic organizations, students, local residents, and people learning about the mission for the first time. This film helps us promote awareness, advocacy, and inspire action to protect the Corridor’s most vulnerable connections.

Patchwork Wild is a 22-minute documentary film that follows three trekkers and their guide on our 2024 Strand to Slough expedition through an urgent and vulnerable focus area in Collier County as they hike, bike, and paddle from the ancient cypress swamps of Fakahatchee Strand Preserve State Park, through Audubon’s Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary and the Okaloacoochee Slough, to the banks of the Caloosahatchee River. The expedition moved across a living patchwork of natural habitats and working lands. Along the way, the team encountered working

cattle ranches and agricultural lands that are just as essential as the swamps in keeping the Corridor connected. *Patchwork Wild* brings to light the high-priority lands in our backyard, where the fabric of wild Florida will either remain whole, or begin to unravel.

The Strand to Slough Expedition was made possible through the generous support of the Wanda & Jim Moran Foundation. Subsequent screenings of *Patchwork Wild* were supported by the Lowry Murphey Family Foundation and the Naples Garden Club.

(Above) Screenings, Ethan Coyle; (Next) Scrub Jay, Lucas Delgado

KPI Dashboard

The Florida Wildlife Corridor Foundation Key Performance Indicator Dashboard is an interactive data tool that tracks measurable progress toward the Corridor Foundation’s goals for the Florida Wildlife Corridor. It displays key metrics, such as the total acres acquired for permanent conservation across the Corridor, using a statewide parcel-based database that shows how much land has been protected over time and highlights progress since 2021. This dashboard helps partners, supporters, and conservation advocates to see our impacts, understand trends, and supports data-driven decision-making for future work to connect and protect the Corridor.

[VIEW THE DASHBOARD](#)



“Corridor Connect combats the crisis of connection we see everywhere around us by bringing so many different groups together around the common cause of Florida conservation.”

- SUMMIT ATTENDEE



2025 CORRIDOR
CONNECT SUMMIT

Our biennial summit, Corridor Connect, is a multi-day gathering of 650+ conservation professionals, scientists, elected officials, developers and planners, community leaders, and academics where we work together to solve the Corridor’s most pressing issues in real-time.

Our goals for the event are to build experiences that strengthen the relationships necessary to realize a connected and protected Corridor, curate topic-specific discussions that both inspire action and work through solutions, and form working groups for ongoing problem solving during the interstitial years.

IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS:

- **Net Promoter Score: 85**
(industry average: 30)
- **3 Days, 80+ Organizations, 650+ attendees**

The Corridor Connect Summit was made possible through the generous support of Disney, The Jacarlene Foundation, Wanda and Jim Moran Foundation, Subaru South Tampa, Subaru Lakeland, and Subaru North Orlando, Live Wildly, Garcia Companies, and others.

Academic	47	6.80%
Agriculture – Business leaders, Industry Associations, Other	21	3.04
National Conservation NGOs	33	4.78%
State Conservation NGOs	103	14.91%
Local Conservation NGOs	15	2.17%
Land Trusts	25	3.62%
Developers, Consultants, Engineers, & Green Infrastructure	124	17.95%
Elected Officials	4	0.58%
Foundations & Land Conservation Funding Organizations	18	2.60%
Federal Government	12	1.74%
State Government (including Water Management Districts)	57	8.25%
Local Government	45	6.51%
Indigenous and Tribal Representation	15	2.17%
Media, Social Media Influencers & Storytellers	21	3.04%
Planners	6	0.87%
Private Landowners / Working Landowners	20	2.89%
Sportsmen & Recreation – Hunting/fishing, Trails, Outfitters, Other	9	1.30%
Tourism – Agritourism, Ecotourism, Hotels/ Restaurants/Lodging, Zoos, Parks, Preserves	51	7.38%
Utilities – Energy & Water	4	0.58%
Other	61	8.83%
Total Attended		691



CORRIDOR CONNECT PLATFORM

The platform unites Florida conservation professionals to share opportunities, news, and research to accelerate on-the-ground conservation. In 2025, membership grew 173%!

INAUGURAL CORRIDOR CONNECT+ WEBINAR

In fall of 2025, we launched Corridor Connect+, a new webinar series to keep the Florida conservation community connected, informed, and inspired between biennial Corridor Connect Summits.

PARTNER CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

Our organization reached 2,750+ people by presenting at 18 conferences and other events. Every connection strengthens the movement to protect Florida’s wild lands. By sharing the Corridor vision, these presentations sparked dialogue, inspired local action, and helped ensure that communities and decision-makers across the state understand the importance of keeping the Corridor connected.



(Above + Below) Chairman Cypress, Check Presentation, Zebrina Lee

The Corridor Connect Summit was made possible in part by **Subaru South Tampa, Subaru Lakeland, and Subaru North Orlando**, who generously presented a \$100,000 contribution at the event.





TARGETED ADVOCACY

FLORIDA WILDLIFE CORRIDOR DAY

In honor of Earth Day and the 15th anniversary of the Florida Wildlife Corridor campaign, we and more than a dozen public and private partners dedicated to permanently connecting the Corridor hosted a tabling event at the Florida Capitol to educate legislators, staff, and visitors about its importance.

Leaders from the Corridor Foundation, Wildpath, and Conservation Florida joined Senator Jason Brodeur for his senate floor proclamation recognizing April 22, 2025, as “Florida Wildlife Corridor Day” and highlighting the Corridor’s environmental, cultural, economic, and tourism value. The day followed a reception the evening before on the 22nd floor featuring remarks from Senator Brodeur and Senate President Passidomo, underscoring statewide support for this vital initiative.

[We marked 15 years of the Florida Wildlife Corridor campaign together during Florida Wildlife Corridor Day at the Capitol, recognizing our shared efforts and partnership in protecting wild Florida.](#)



TABLING PARTNERS:

- 1000 Friends of Florida
- Archbold Biological Station
- Conservation Florida
- FDEP Division of State Lands
- FDEP Florida State Parks Office of Greenways & Trails
- Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission
- Florida Trail Association
- Live Wildly Foundation
- Tall Timbers Research Station & Land Conservancy
- The Nature Conservancy
- Trust for Public Land
- UF Center for Landscape Conservation Planning
- Wildpath

CORRIDOR AS A NATIONAL MODEL

The Florida Wildlife Corridor is widely recognized as a leading example of modern conservation achieved through vision, science, and collaboration. Covering over 18 million acres of connected public and private lands from the Everglades to the Okefenokee Swamp, the Corridor protects wildlife movement, safeguards Florida’s water resources, and preserves working landscapes that are crucial to the state’s economy and identity.

What sets the Corridor apart nationally is its alignment of conservation with productive land use. Partnerships with ranchers, farmers, timber managers, and private landowners show that conservation can coexist with land use. Conservation easements and incentive programs keep working lands viable while benefiting wildlife habitat, water recharge, and climate resilience. This integrated approach is seen as a blueprint for other states facing growth and land-use change.

Florida’s conservation leadership was highlighted at the 2025 Corridor Connect Summit, where national experts cited Florida as a model:



Seth Godin praised Florida’s blend of vision and storytelling, which builds lasting awareness and momentum.



Sam Schmidt of American Farmland Trust described the Corridor as a prime example of conservation and agriculture moving forward together.



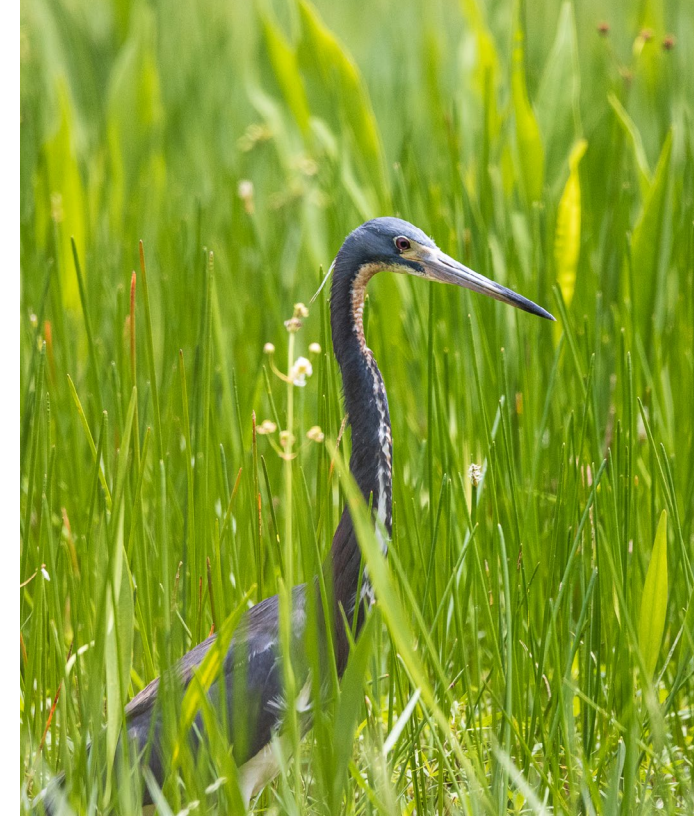
Gary Tabor of the Center for Large Landscape Conservation noted Florida’s success in turning years of science into large-scale action.



Kim Bednarek of Okefenokee Swamp Park stressed the value of connected landscapes beyond political boundaries.



Alyssa Ravasio, CEO of Hipcamp, emphasized how the Corridor demonstrates that conservation, outdoor access, and rural economies can support each other, showing that protecting land also expands opportunities and connections to nature.



Backed by bipartisan policy, ongoing public investment, and strong public-private partnerships, the Florida Wildlife Corridor proves that large-scale, growth-compatible conservation is both achievable and repeatable.

Through the leadership of the Corridor Foundation and its partners, Florida is shaping the national conversation about how conservation can protect land, support livelihoods, and ensure a resilient future.



OPERATIONS

The Florida Wildlife Corridor Foundation is a mission-driven team dedicated to protecting wild Florida. We find purpose in our work, knowing we are making a real impact on conservation. Thanks to our values-driven culture, we’ve attracted top talent, growing our team by 20% and enjoying 0% turnover in 2025.

22 STAFF MEMBERS

In 2025 we welcomed:

Kristen Nowak,
Corridor Implementation Manager

Dylan Rigsby,
Conservation Planning Specialist

Lenora Reese,
Development Coordinator

Bret Prater,
Government Relations Director

This growth helped the Conservation team expand its capacity, doubling regional Mind the Gaps workshops to four, improving follow-through on workshop insights, and increasing their presence at conferences and events in 2025.

15 INTERNS

350+ Applicants

4 Gallery Interns

4 Impact Campaigns Interns

2 Storytelling Interns

3 Photography Interns

1 Multimedia Design Intern

1 Conservation and Convenings Intern

Paid gallery internships are made possible through generous grant support from the Pinellas Community Foundation Jacqueline Preis Field of Interest Fund.

14 BOARD DIRECTORS

Board Members volunteered over 220 hours of their time to the Corridor Foundation for committee work and meetings.

Paul “PJ” Marinelli (Chairman) – Naples, FL

Tiffany Busby (Vice Chairman) – St. Augustine, FL

Maurice “Mo” Pearson (Secretary) – Orlando, FL

Blake Poole (Treasurer) – Tampa, FL

Oscar Anderson – Windermere, FL

Arnie Bellini – Tampa, FL

Lynn Cherry – Panama City, FL

Kim Davis Reyher – New Orleans, LA

Dr. Thomas Eason – Tallahassee, FL

Kathryn Fuller (NEW!) – Orlando, FL

Dr. Zak Gezon – Orlando, FL

Robert D. McLean – Tampa, FL

Elizabeth Moore – Sarasota, FL

Scott Nolan – Plant City, FL

OUTGOING BOARD DIRECTORS

At the end of 2025, we bid farewell to two dedicated board members as they concluded their terms of service.

Kimberly Davis Reyher
Executive Director, Coalition to Restore Coastal Louisiana
Board Director (8 years) | LINC Director (9 years) | Finance Committee

Kim rolled off the board after eight years of service to the Foundation following an earlier nine year term with LINC. A respected conservation leader, she brought deep expertise in natural resource policy and nonprofit leadership. Through her work on the Finance Committee, Kim helped guide the Corridor Foundation’s financial stewardship and long-term sustainability.

Robert McLean
Partner, Rocke, McLean & Sbar
Board Director (3 years) | Governance Committee

Robert rolled off the board after completing his three-year term. As a member of the Governance Committee, he provided valuable legal insight and helped strengthen board policies and practices that will support the organization well into the future.

We are deeply grateful to Kim and Robert for their leadership and lasting contributions to the Florida Wildlife Corridor Foundation.



7 CHAIRMAN’S ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBERS

- **Elizabeth Brinton**
- **James Cascone**
- **Sheff Crowder**
- **Jay Hartington**
- **Judy Mitchell**
- **Eric Sutton**
- **Stan Vukmer**

EMERITUS BOARD MEMBER

The Governance Committee selected founder Carlton Ward, Jr. as the organization’s first Emeritus Board Member, an honorary, non-voting role recognizing his significant contributions. Emeritus members are chosen for their deep experience and lasting impact and continue to support the board as trusted mentors and advisors.



116 VOLUNTEERS

Corridor Connector
Volunteer hours: 1,402.5
(board director hours reported separately below)

- Board Volunteer Hours: 225.25
- Projects & Events Worked: 56
 - Summit: 734 hrs
 - Gallery: 216.5 hrs
 - Mind the Gaps: 147 hrs
 - Impact Events: 146.5 hrs
 - Public Speaking: 19 hrs

From the Corridor Connect Summit volunteer survey, we learned:

“The tone set by the team made collaboration easy and reinforced the value of volunteer contributions.”

“The organization clearly values volunteers as partners in achieving its mission.”



WILD SPACE GALLERY

From world-class exhibits and thought-provoking author talks to hands-on field workshops, community gatherings, and the launch of our retail store, Wild Space Gallery has become a thriving hub for conservation awareness, creativity, and connection, reflected in the powerful numbers that follow.

Special thanks to The Ruth and J O Stone Foundation for sponsoring all 2025 Wild Space Gallery exhibits and events, and to Bradley S. and Marta E. Pollitt and Family for their generous support of select exhibits and events.

Gallery Events

5 Author Series Lectures

- Christopher Meindl
- Jack Davis
- The Creekshed Project
- Clay Henderson
- The Moth

5 Workshops

- Printmaking Workshop (Carve, Ink, Print)
- The Art of Seeing guided walk at Sunken Gardens
- Light, Water, Wings Photography Workshop at Boyd Hill
- Birding Photography Walk & Workshop at Weedon Island
- Mothworks: The Art & Craft of Storytelling Workshop

7 Artist Talks, Presentations & Panel Conversations, including speakers such as Mark Dion

12 School Tours & Curriculum Collaborations

12 Additional Events, Including Openings, Reception, Tours, Live Podcast, a Radio Appearance, Guided Exhibition Tours, Shop-Local Market, a Sound Bath, and a Silent Auction

(Left) Gallery Photos, Various Photographers; (Next) MOTH Photography, The Moth



Workshop Highlight

Wild Space Gallery hosted a two-day storytelling workshop led by instructors from The Moth. 15 participants worked in small groups to develop and refine personal stories, culminating in a final open-mic reading attended by 55 community members.

The workshop gave participants the chance to explore storytelling techniques, craft a five-minute story, and share it with an audience, highlighting the power of personal narratives to connect and engage the community.

“[My favorite part was] the community aspect 100%. The nerves and anxiety that came with preparing for the public reading was worth it thanks to the family-like support all participants and facilitators provided to each other.”
- Workshop Participant

Exhibitions

Detailed exhibition descriptions available on next page

Breaking Barriers: Nature in Focus

Artists: Scott Fisher, Babs Reingold, and David Waterman

Natural Selection: USF Graphicstudio at Wild Space Gallery

Artists: Mark Dion, Graciela Iturbide, Francisco Toledo, Andrea Modica, Ed Ruscha and Janaina Tschäpe

Pond Apples and Sawgrass: Nature Reframed

Artists: Julie Evans, Elizabeth Condon, and Valerie Eickmeier

Class Act

Artists: Students from Blake and Clearwater High Schools



125 Years of Audubon in Florida

Artists: Zeida Cecelia-Mendez, Lisette Morales McCabe, Sydney Walsh, R.J. Wiley, and Audrey DeRose-Wilson

You are Here and Jeff Ripple: Enduring Light

Artists: Jeff Ripple, Carlton Ward Jr, Mac Stone, Laurie Meehan Elmer, fStop Foundation/William Freund, Paul Marcellini, David Moynahan, Tessa Skiles, and Alex Freeze



EXHIBITION FEATURE

BLAZING THE TRAIL: FROM STRAND TO SLOUGH

Blazing the Trail: From Strand to Slough, a behind the scenes view of the epic trek through the western edge of the Florida Wildlife Corridor in southwest Florida, from the eyes of the Corridor Foundation team, who planned, managed, and participated in the expedition. Through photographs, ephemera, stories, and videos, Blazing the Trail invites you to vicariously follow in the footsteps of the crew and join in the exploration, discovery, and conservation of at-risk lands and waters in wild Florida.

Artists: Ethan Coyle, Alex Freeze, Sonja Pedersen, Joe Whalen, Keira Gilmore, Mallory Dimmitt

SUPPORTING ARTISTS & THE CORRIDOR

Art Sales: \$38,857 (195%+ increase from 2024)

Merchandise: \$18,053 (384%+ increase from 2024)

The Wild Space Gallery specialty retail endeavor is a mission-aligned boutique, supporting and cultivating authors, local artists, and artisans while helping to diversify the Corridor Foundation's revenue streams.

Additionally, exhibitions were generously underwritten by The Ruth & J O Stone Foundation, and Bradley S. & Marta E. Pollitt and family, helping to inspire new audiences to embrace Corridor protection.

Breaking Barriers: Nature in Focus, a curated selection of photographs from the Breaking Barriers program for military veterans. As the veterans explore the world from an artistic perspective, their cell phone-based photographs offer glimpses into intimate worlds, inner and outer landscapes, and generations of memory with wonder, curiosity, irony and humor.

Natural Selection: USF Graphicstudio at Wild Space Gallery, curated by Noel Smith and Mark Fredricks. The exhibition brings together two of Florida's most innovative institutions. Through fine art prints and sculpture multiples created at Graphicstudio. Mark Dion, Graciela Iturbide, Francisco Toledo, Andrea Modica, Ed Ruscha and Janaina Tschäpe visually explore some of the ways that humanity and our natural environment interface with each other.

Pond Apples and Sawgrass: Nature Reframed, Florida's extraordinary subtropical wilderness inspires the works of artists Elisabeth Condon, Valerie Eickmeier, and Julie Evans in the exhibition Pond Apples and Saw Grass: Nature Reframed. Florida's wilds are a living paradise and there is an exquisite, tactile quality to the experience of Florida that fills the nose, touches the skin and dazzles the eyes.

Class Act: During a field trip in the fall of 2024 to The Factory, students from Blake High School toured the exhibition Breaking Barriers: Nature in Focus at the Wild Space Gallery and the interactive installations at FloridaRAMA. They then created artworks in response to their experiences, guided by their teachers, Linda Galgani, Molly Dressel, and Caitlin Clay. Art students from

Megan Hoffman's art class at Clearwater High School collaborated with undergraduate mentors from Eckerd College's Environmental Studies program and Wild Space Gallery to create artwork in response to current environmental challenges in the Gulf region.

Artists: Students from Blake and Clearwater High Schools

125 Years of Audubon in Florida: 125 Years of Audubon in Florida at Wild Space Gallery salutes and celebrates the tremendous contributions of Audubon to the conservation of the state's natural resources and wildlife. As a partner of the Florida Wildlife Corridor Foundation, Audubon is responsible for various initiatives that protect, conserve and restore the connected landscape of the Florida Wildlife Corridor.

You are Here and Jeff Ripple: Enduring Light: Two concurrent exhibitions offer contrasting artistic views of Florida's natural environment, juxtaposing differing aesthetic styles and practices: contemporary high resolution color conservation photography and 19th century inspired landscape painting.

THE SHOP:

Curated and merchandised seasonally by the Director of the Gallery to offer a beautiful selection of retail products that extend the gallery's exhibition program and cultivate an elevated aesthetic.

Offers curated retail products that extend the Florida Wildlife Corridor Foundation's core mission.

Connects merchandise with exhibitions and conservation themes.

Partners with national and local authors, collaborators, visiting and local artists, artisans and producers.

Creates branded, limited-edition items.

(Previous) Gallery Photos, Various Photographers





DISNEY + CORRIDOR FOUNDATION

At the Corridor Connect 2025 summit, WUSF’s Steve Newborn reported that Disney Conservation Fund awarded \$1 million to the Florida Wildlife Corridor Foundation. The donation will support conservation efforts, including the Mind The Gaps initiative, by training and coordinating local partners to protect key areas. It will also expand access to nature in underserved communities through partnerships with the Florida Trail Association and Trust for Public Land, helping make Florida’s wild spaces more accessible to all.

[Disney Donates \\$1M to the Florida Wildlife Corridor Foundation - Disney Experiences](#)

MICCOSUKEE TRIBE OF INDIANS OF FLORIDA + CORRIDOR FOUNDATION

The Miccosukee Tribe of Indians of Florida (Miccosukee Tribe) proudly announced its new collaboration with the Florida Wildlife Corridor Foundation, marking a significant milestone in efforts to protect environmentally important lands. This partnership, aimed at conserving and stewarding lands within the Florida Wildlife Corridor, garnered substantial national attention. More than a dozen media outlets across the United States reported on the announcement, reaching an impressive audience of over 156 million readers.

Among the extensive coverage, The Guardian stood out by enthusiastically highlighting the collaborative spirit of the new partnership between the Miccosukee Tribe and the Florida Wildlife Corridor Foundation. The publication celebrated the shared commitment to safeguarding vital habitats in the Corridor, applauding both the historic scope of the project and the momentum it brings for united action in wildlife preservation and stronger community connections.

[Native American tribe steps up to protect Florida lands for wildlife | Native Americans | The Guardian](#)



BEST COMPANY TO WORK FOR IN FLORIDA

Florida Wildlife Corridor Foundation earned the distinction of being ranked #2 among small companies in Florida Trend’s Best Companies to Work For in Florida list. This recognition came as our staff achieved new growth in 2025, making us eligible for the honor and winning on our first application. The accolade received widespread attention, with news of the award shared in 79 publications throughout Florida and reaching an audience of more than 155 million readers.

[Best SMALL Companies](#)

[Florida Wildlife Corridor Foundation Named #2 of Best Companies to Work For in Florida by Florida Trend Magazine](#)

URGENT AND VULNERABLE FOCUS AREAS

Focusing on ten of Florida’s fastest-growing counties, the Florida Wildlife Corridor Foundation maintained a strong presence in local media throughout the year, championing the Corridor Compatible Communities Design Guidelines and emphasizing the urgent need for conservation. The Southwest Florida Mind the Gaps workshop drew notable coverage from Coastal Breeze News, which featured both the partner convening and the premiere of our latest film, *Patchwork Wild*, connecting with an audience of 35,000 readers in Collier County.

[Stitching Florida’s Wild Future | Events | coastalbreezenews.com](#)

(Previous, Above) Disney Corridor Connect, Zebrina Lee; (Previous, Below) Big Cypress Trail, Ethan Coyle; (Above) Myakka Biking, Post-Burn Scrub, Ethan Coyle



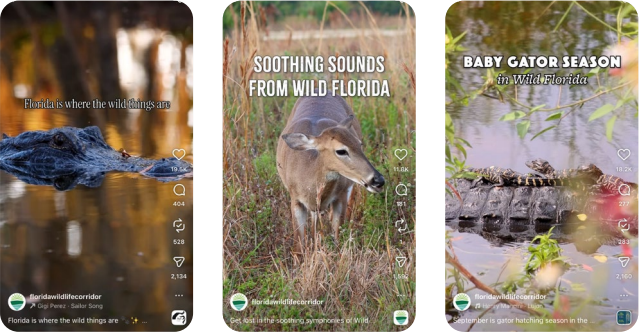
SOCIAL MEDIA

INSTAGRAM
10,464 Net Follower Growth = 73,555 Total Followers, 5 million Total Views, 925k Reach

FACEBOOK
8,184 Net Follower Growth = 69,187 Total Followers, 7 million Total Views

LINKEDIN
2,242 Net Follower Growth = 6,167 Total Followers, 369,234 Views

TOP POSTS



HEAR WHAT OUR FOLLOWERS ARE SAYING

“The Florida Wildlife Corridor Foundation updates are truly some of the best news that comes across my screen. It’s so hopeful for the animals that call this place home!”

“Gorgeous footage of this incredibly beautiful and wild state that deserves to be protected.”

DONOR CONNECTIONS

This year, members of the Corridor Foundation Giving Societies joined our team for the launch of Corridor Field Trips, a new way to connect supporters directly to the wild Florida they help protect. These guided paddling, biking, and hiking experiences across the state provide a chance to explore the heart of the Florida Wildlife Corridor and look closer at the critical work saving it.

WHY DONORS SAY THEY GIVE:

“Over many years, I’ve learned that Florida is not just about the beaches, but it’s about the heartland of Florida. The beautiful trees, rivers, and lakes, and I am inspired to educate people about how important the center of our beautiful state is.”
- Renée Athey

“As native Floridians, we care about this state and all the occupants of it, all the animals, the plants, the flowers. We want to save the real Florida.”
- Marion Yongue

GIVING TUESDAY

The generosity of partners, supporters and Corridor fans raised \$101,000 on Giving Tuesday, beating our goal and accelerating conservation across the Florida Wildlife Corridor. Every donor and every dollar fuels programs that conserve irreplaceable habitats and connect communities to Florida’s wild landscapes. We would like to thank Airbnb for their generous \$50,000 1-to-1 match that helped make this possible, and the Central Florida and Orlando Area Airbnb Host Club for selecting us for this Airbnb Community Fund donation.



(Right + Next) Salt Marsh Paddling, NJoy Photos, Ethan Coyle

Your immediate support strengthens the movement to connect, protect, and restore the Florida Wildlife Corridor. From longtime supporters to monthly donors to corporations making a difference, just like the Corridor, there is a place for everyone.

Learn more and find your way to give at FloridaWildlifeCorridor.org/Donate

COMMUNITY UNITES FOR THE CORRIDOR

NJoy Spirits Distillery, located within the Chassahowitzka Wildlife Management Area and the Florida Wildlife Corridor, welcomed more than 500 community members for a Bottle Release Party and *Patchwork Wild* film screening, raising over \$9,500 to protect wild Florida. A portion of the funds was made possible through sales of NJoy Spirits’ limited edition Corridor Wild Buck Whiskey. Additionally, Late Start Brewing crafted its Indigo IPA using hops from the Corridor, featuring a can designed by our Multimedia Intern, and donated a portion of those sales.

The Corridor Foundation is proud to call NJoy Spirits Distillery and Late Start Brewing members of our Corporate Connectors Giving Society.



DONOR RECOGNITION

ANNUAL GIVING

INNOVATOR | \$100,000+

The Spurlino Foundation
Wanda & Jim Moran Foundation
Genevieve Lykes Dimmitt and Lawrence Dimmitt, III
Ferman Community Advancement Fund at Community Foundation Tampa Bay
Jeff and Judy Mitchell
Bellini Better World-Arnie Bellini

INNOVATOR | \$25,000-\$99,999

Scott Harrison
Shirley Lucas
Janice and Doug Birch
Nancy and Alan Bomstein
Lindsay and Josh Bomstein

TRAILBLAZER | \$10,000-\$24,999

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Kathryn Fuller
P.J. and Ashley Marinelli
Burt Eno

EXPLORER | \$5,000-\$9,999

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Julie and Alex Wallace
Liz Whitney Tippet Foundation, Inc
The Pearson Family Giving Fund
Gross Charitable Fund

TREKKER | \$2,500-\$4,999

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Robert and Jeanne McLean
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Greg and Valerie Seidel
Simone Rothberg

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Quinn Morgan and
Upcala Mapatuna
Ellen Stichter

PADDLER | \$1,000-\$2,499
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PATHFINDER | \$500-\$999
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Disney
RiverGlades Family Offices
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Late Start Brewing
Gulf Coast Conservancy
Harbour Ridge Yacht Club
Rough-J-Ranch Foundation
Airbnb

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Debra Rutter
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Juliann Hale
Marie Hale Melaugh
Charles Petrites
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Carol Roberts

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Chris and Joan Chase
Amanda Yeargin
Hunter Thompson
Tina Schreiner
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Crystal Springs Preserve
Family Lands Remembered
Duke Energy Florida
NorthStar Contracting Group, Inc.
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Florida Climate Institute
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