

# *Help Us Grow*

In the past, we have asked for you to volunteer some of your time with Opacum Land Trust. Many of you responded positively and enthusiastically. Now that the Strategic Plan has been completed, we know just what needs doing. This is good news, as it means Opacum is growing and has goals to meet. With your help, Opacum will continue to conserve, protect and preserve more and more of our local lands and waters.

If you are interested in sharing just a little bit of your time, have volunteered with Opacum in the past, or would like to learn more about the positions that are open on the board, please e-mail us at [info@opacumlt.org](mailto:info@opacumlt.org) or call 508-347-9144.

This is what we need help with:

## **Fundraising Coordinator**

Help raise funds for land acquisition and day-to-day operations.

## **Fundraising Volunteers**

Project by project volunteers who assist the Fundraising Coordinator. Perhaps you like to plan parties- you could help us plan our next auction or, maybe you have a creative idea to raise funds for your local land trust.

## **Land Stewards**

Do you like to kill invasives? Want to keep our trails open? This job is for you! Coordinate the maintenance and improvement of Opacum's conservation land. A Land Steward may be responsible for one or more properties, as fits their needs and desires.

## **Town Liaisons**

Do you love your town? Help us to protect land by coordinating projects within your community. Liaisons provide local information, ideas and guidance to Opacum, and develop working relationships with town officials, volunteers, and local professionals, such as lawyers, surveyors, and appraisers.

## **Conservation Project Managers**

Have you helped protect land within your community, or have an interest in learning more about doing so? Work with Opacum's Land Acquisition Director to complete land protection projects. Develop your skills to negotiate with private landowners, public agencies, and others involved in land protection and conservation easement donation or purchase. Participate in public presentations and landowner workshops on land conservation and stewardship topics.

## **Marketing Support**

Help establish good public relations between Opacum, its communities, and landowners.

## **Grants Coordinator**

Help us research and establish an ongoing grant writing program for Opacum in order to raise funds for land purchases, programs, maintenance and operations. Coordinate grant writers for specific projects.

### **Grant Writers**

Assist in researching and writing grants for Opacum in order to raise funds for land purchases, programs, maintenance and operations.

In addition, we will be seeking help for our new Office Operations Manager. These people will help with mailings to members, folding newsletters, and other projects.

## ***Help Us Succeed***

Opacum is also looking to increase town representation on the board. This will help by increasing capacity, diversity and our collective prospective. Our goal is to have a board that reflects our region, and is able to oversee all of Opacum's activities and projects, as well as ensure that our work is in line with our mission.

### **Land Acquisition Director**

Provide oversight, coordination and review of all acquisitions of a property or conservation easement. Manage and provide expertise to Conservation Project Managers and others that are pursuing acquisitions. Provide guidance on the value and priority of potential projects. Includes coordination and legal review of all documents, contracts and general agreements.

### **Land Stewardship Director**

Coordinate all our hard-working land stewards in maintenance and improvement projects at our properties.

### **Fundraising Director**

Coordinates the raising of funds for acquisitions or general operations. Manages Fundraising and Grants Coordinators.

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