



With a legacy gift to HAT, you will ensure we continue our work in the community and you leave a conservation legacy that will be appreciated for generations to come.

We are very proud of our successful community programs that support:

- **Habitat Stewardship**
The **Good Neighbours Program** helps people take care of habitat in their own backyards with our award-winning landowner conservation programs.
- **Youth Education**
The **Green Spots Program** takes kids outdoors into nature to restore and enhance natural habitat on school properties. The **Goldstream Chums program** reaches 50,000 children to develop compassion and an enthusiasm for the iconic salmon run with the support of local sponsors.
- **Land Protection**
The **Land Protection Program** ensures that important habitat is forever protected on private and public lands within our region.



About Habitat Acquisition Trust



Established in 1996 by the Victoria Natural History Society, Habitat Acquisition Trust (HAT) is a registered charitable society governed by a volunteer Board of Directors.

HAT works with people to help care for and appreciate nature in south Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands. As a local land trust, HAT protects land permanently through land acquisition, conservation covenants, education and stewardship.

HAT collaborates with other like-minded conservation organizations, community groups and local government to achieve the best conservation outcomes.

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Habitat Acquisition Trust

*Making a difference:
Protecting natural habitat
through legacy gifts*



Habitat Acquisition Trust in our community

Habitat Acquisition Trust (HAT) has been creating a conservation legacy since 1996 by protecting locally significant habitats throughout southern Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands.

To date, we have protected more than 1600 hectares (over 28 properties) of natural habitat in the region.

HAT works to protect and enhance natural areas through:

- Land acquisition & conservation covenants
- Education and habitat stewardship
- Partnerships with the conservation community





You can make a difference... Forever!

A Legacy Gift is a powerful pledge to the future of our environment. By providing a gift to HAT, you will join a growing number of supporters who have committed to local conservation for our families, our community and future generations to enjoy.

Ways to Give:

- a bequest to Habitat Acquisition Trust of a sum of money, a portion of your estate, real estate, or securities through your Will;
- naming Habitat Acquisition Trust as a beneficiary to your life insurance, RRSP or RRIF.

Please consider contacting an estate planning advisor such as your financial planner, lawyer, accountant or insurance agent for help with the arrangement of any gift.

Benefits of Giving

Align your legacy gift with your own conservation aspirations. You can direct your gift to HAT towards protecting local habitat, promoting stewardship or engaging youth with nature.

Your gift can provide financial benefits through tax-benefits that support the needs of you and your family while also achieving your own personal conservation goals.

Any gift, no matter the size, is truly appreciated and will make a positive impact in our community.

"I have seen the city grow, and I have seen the highway expand, and I know how much habitat has been lost just in my own time. For the future, I want to make sure that some of the beautiful land of this area can be kept as the native plants and animals need it. HAT is in my will."

- HAT Legacy Donor

For more information on legacy gifts, planned giving or HAT's stewardship programs, visit our website (hat.bc.ca/planned-giving-options) or contact us by phone, email, or drop by the office.

Yes! I want to protect locally significant habitat on southern Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands by supporting Habitat Acquisition Trust (HAT).

- I would like to join HAT as a **Member** to strengthen our conservation community (free with donations \$30 or greater)
- sign me up to receive monthly E-newsletters from HAT about conservation events and activities

Sign me up to learn more about:

- Becoming a **Habitat Steward**
- Becoming a **HAT Volunteer**
- Creating a **Conservation Legacy**

Donate today!

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Province _____

Postal Code _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Enclosed is my Monthly / One-time tax-deductible donation of \$ _____

*monthly donations help us the most!

Cheque VISA Mastercard American Express
No. _____

Expiry date ____ / ____

This gift is anonymous in recognition of: _____

Or, donate online at: www.hat.bc.ca/donate

Mail your donation to:

Habitat Acquisition Trust
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Habitat Acquisition Trust is a non-profit society. Funds we receive are used to help us carry out our mission. Charitable Business Number 88962 6545 RR0001. We value your privacy and never share your confidential information. HAT accepts donations of property, purchases land, and helps landowners establish permanent legal restrictions to protect natural habitats.