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Who We Are

The Georgia Piedmont Land Trust (GPLT) was formed in 1998 as the Gwinnett Open Land Trust (GOLT) by a group of concerned citizens in response to the rapid development occurring in Gwinnett County. These Gwinnett residents rallied to the demand for protecting greenspace and saving trees.

Our Vision

We help people understand why habitat matters by inspiring them to reconnect with the land and nature.



Our Mission

Our focus is to ensure that green and open space in northern Georgia provides the ecological benefits essential for healthy communities and a high quality of life for their citizens by:

- Permanently preserving land in the northern regions of Georgia to protect the quality of our waters and woodlands;
- Complementing the conservation efforts of cities and citizens; and
- Saving farmland and historic sites for
- communities to enjoy now and for generations to come.

Partnerships



We Partner With:

- Private Land Owners
- Municipalities & Counties
- Non-profit Organizations

To Protect:

- Community Greenspaces
- Habitat & Open Spaces
- Historic Lands
- Watersheds & Wetlands
- Working Lands
- Forest Lands

What You Can Do

People who are connected to special places energize the protection of land — be a part of it! It starts with your vision for the land. What do you want to protect?

Maybe you own land that you want to protect. You many wish to donate a conservation easement — even donate the property itself — to GPLT. When you protect land, you leave a legacy for coming generations. Your donation may help reduce family estate tax, income taxes, and property tax. *Contact us by completing the form on our website or calling us for more information.*

"We do not inherit the earth from our ancestors; we borrow it from our children. Protect our land today for our children's tomorrow."



Great things start when people get inspired.

Maybe you can volunteer. Can you spark new ideas, spread the word or inspire children to love nature, too? GPLT needs active citizens, dedicated volunteers, talented staff and visionary board members. We need you and your special skills!

Or make a donation. A gift to GPLT is a gift to your community. Your donation will support our work to:

- ensure that important conservation values remain intact;
- restore the important functions of habitat;
- help people connect with natural places; and
- spread the word about the importance of conservation.



Our Service Area

We serve the northern half of Georgia. Georgia's secondlargest geographic region is the Piedmont, home to the largest portion of the state's population. Together with the mountainous regions of north

Georgia, this hilly region comprises roughly half the state and constitutes our present service area.

Our Work

From the start, as GPLT gained a reputation for conservation land protection, land owners from outside Gwinnett County requested GPLT to protect their lands as well. This resulted in our name change and an expanded service area, North Georgia.



Today GPLT has over 2,600 acres of land under protection located in the counties of Bibb, Catoosa, Cobb, Coweta, DeKalb, Douglas, Fulton, Gwinnett, Hall, Rockdale, Upson, Walton, Whitfield and Wilkes.



GPLT has a diverse portfolio of protected properties to include historic battlefields in partnership with the American Battlefield Trust, and other historic preservation organizations; a green cemetery in partnership with the Monastery of the Holy Spirit; watershed restoration properties; conservation subdivision greenspaces; granite outcrops; habitats with threatened species; and

a community garden in partnership with citizens like you who care about green and open spaces in their communities.