



FRIENDS OF FIVE RIVERS
Supporting Environmental Education
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Planting Seeds for Tomorrow’s Environmental Stewards

Dear Friend:

“The earth will not continue to offer its harvest, except with faithful stewardship. We cannot say we love the land and then take steps to destroy it for use by future generations.” - John Paul II

These profound words resonate deeply with the mission of Friends of Five Rivers. In a world facing increasing environmental challenges, the need for faithful environmental stewardship has never been more critical. It is our collective responsibility, now more than ever, to preserve and nurture the earth and environment for our present and future generations.

Friends of Five Rivers is dedicated to cultivating this stewardship by providing transformative educational experiences for youth and adults alike, as well as relaying the importance of the environment to our overall well-being. We believe that by fostering a deep understanding and appreciation for the natural world, we empower individuals to become lifelong advocates for environmental sustainability.

Our programs directly address the need to:

- **Educate the next generation:** We provide hands-on learning opportunities that connect youth with nature, cultivating a sense of wonder and responsibility. Thus, not only encouraging future scientists, but also equipping students with the skills and knowledge necessary to become effective stewards of the earth.
- **Promote environmental awareness and outdoor engagement:** We encourage families to appreciate and care for nature by enjoying its sights and sounds, emphasizing the health and joy of outdoor activity.

Why Your Support is Crucial:

Friends of Five Rivers, a vital local non-profit support organization, receives no funding from New York State. In these times of economic uncertainty and fluctuating non-profit funding, your support is more important than ever. Without your contribution, we risk losing the ability to continue offering valuable education programs to our community.

Every donation, regardless of the size, helps us plant seeds for tomorrow's environmental stewards. Your tax-deductible contribution will directly support our ongoing mission to educate and protect our natural heritage and this unique preserve that has been an anchor of *our community* for generations. Thank you for your dedication to Friends of Five Rivers and the environment.

Sincerely,

The Friends of Five Rivers Team

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YES! I am all for helping to cultivate future environmental stewards!

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| <input type="checkbox"/> \$5,000 to secure the foundation of Friends of Five Rivers | <input type="checkbox"/> \$250 for GSP volunteer instructor trainings |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$1,000 to help enhance environmental education | <input type="checkbox"/> \$125 to support GSP lessons |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$750 to grow the mission of Friends of Five Rivers | <input type="checkbox"/> \$75 to say YES for future environmental stewards |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$500 to purchase updated materials and resources | <input type="checkbox"/> \$50 for general support |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____ any amount is appreciated! | |

NOTE THAT THIS TAX-DEDUCTIBLE CONTRIBUTION IS NOT CONSIDERED YOUR MEMBERSHIP. IF YOU ARE NOT A MEMBER AND WOULD LIKE TO JOIN FRIENDS OF FIVE RIVERS, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT www.friendsoffiverivers.org TO LEARN MORE.

Name: _____

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