The Coastal Federation was created to help people of all walks of life work together for a healthy coast. We listen to and work with thousands of coastal residents and visitors to solve pressing environmental challenges to protect and improve our coastal economy and way of life.

After 38 years, some of the ways we work changed dramatically this year because of COVID-19, struggles for social justice and extreme weather events. We curtailed in-person programs and volunteer events, and hired more contractors to remove marine debris, build living shorelines, install stormwater retrofits and restore wetlands. We shifted to educate our communities virtually through new online resources including our Distance Learning Lab for students and online trainings for professionals. Our advocacy work went virtual as well as we convened hundreds of stakeholders via Zoom to devise strategies to restore oysters, promote nature-based strategies to improve water quality and reduce flooding, and battle industrial chemical contaminants in our drinking and surface waters.

Despite these challenges, our collaborative spirit remains in place. By continuing to work together, we can make our coast healthy, resilient, and a great place to live, work and play for generations to come.

Todd Miller, Executive Director

Summary of Major Accomplishments

The North Carolina Coastal Federation provides leadership on the coast through education, advocacy and restoration of habitat and water quality. In 2019 we:

- Restored nearly a half-mile of living shorelines
- Addressed stormwater through retrofits and watershed plans at six locations
- Restored nearly 11 acres of oyster reef
- Infiltrated over 19 million gallons of polluted runoff
- Conserved 50 acres of land as part of our 10,050-acre conservation network
- Launched a coastwide program to recycle oyster shells from consumers into reefs
- Directed nearly $2.5 million to the coastal economy to restore habitat
- Cleaned up 3,112 crab pots and 210 tons of marine debris
- Engaged people to protect the coast from offshore drilling and pollutants like GenX
- Reached over 488,000 readers and won 27 awards through Coastal Review Online
- Engaged 5,257 people through presentations, events and volunteerism
- Educated 5,418 students, many from underserved communities

Revenue & Expenses

Full audited financials for the year ending December 31, 2019 are available at www.nccoast.org or upon request.

Support to the Community: $2,471,934

These competitive federal and state grant funds supported our local economy as direct expenses fulfilling our 2019 goals, restoring coastal habitats and water quality.

OUR MISSION

The North Carolina Coastal Federation empowers coastal residents and visitors from all walks of life to protect and restore the water quality and critically important natural habitats of the North Carolina coast.
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The Coastal Federation is very grateful to our supporters who enable us to forge solutions to complex coastal challenges that demonstrate how best to maintain a healthy and resilient coast.

More people than ever support our work. They recognize the serious coastal environmental challenges we face and are excited by our programs that protect and restore our coast. Our marine debris, water quality, living shoreline, oyster, and wetland projects make our coast a better place in measurable ways and set the example for the future. At the same time, we empower others to safeguard our coast by advocating for effective coastal management and providing continued education, tours, community workshops and more.

Your support allows the Coastal Federation to safeguard our coast so that we can leave a legacy of a healthy coast for future generations. Thank you!