The Coastal Federation maintained its 2020 vision even as COVID-19 impacted far too many people throughout a very topsy-turvy year. Our exceptional staff, board, volunteers, and supporters adapted and found new ways to work together, allowing us to achieve and even exceed many of the benchmarks that were set before the pandemic changed our world.

For example, we launched two major new initiatives during the pandemic. One was a huge new project to clean up marine debris, including, for the first time, abandoned vessels. This effort provided much-needed employment for dozens of people and successfully cleaned up tons of debris. We also worked with Carteret County to buy one of the largest remaining undeveloped waterfront properties on Bogue Sound, which will be used for a public boating access, nature-based recreation, habitat and water quality protection, and the future site of our flagship Center for Coastal Protection and Restoration.

None of our work would be possible without the support and collaboration of thousands of people from all walks of life. Our ability to adapt throughout the pandemic allowed us to do an even better job of watching out for the needs of our coastal communities—its people, fish and wildlife—to make a lasting impact.

Thank you for your support! We can’t do this without you.

Todd Miller, Executive Director

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.

Expanded Programming

The Coastal Federation found new opportunity during the 2020 pandemic.

The Demonstration Oyster Lease in Wanchese showcases equipment and techniques for growing oysters.

The Ocean Friendly Establishments program encourages Outer Banks businesses to adopt ocean friendly measures.

The Removal of Derelict and Abandoned Vessels was approved for the first time through new 2020 legislation.

The Center for Coastal Protection and Restoration’s location was secured through the $7.4 million acquisition of 77 acres of waterfront land in partnership with Carteret County, with plans including a county park, nature trails, and educational opportunities.

The Distance Learning Labs and Virtual Touch Tanks reached thousands of students at home in 2020.

The North Carolina Oyster Trail highlights unique experiences centered around our state’s tasty oysters.

CoastalReview.Org released special coverage, “Changing Minds on Climate Science”, in partnership with the Pulitzer Center.

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 2020, we:

- Reached over 760,000 readers and won 19 awards through CoastalReview.Org
- Held 23 public workshops, forums, and informational events
- Engaged 3,956 people through presentations, volunteer opportunities, and events
- Educated thousands of students through in-person and virtual programs
- Restored over an acre of oyster reef
- Restored over 2,700 acres of wetlands
- Restored over a mile of living shorelines
- Infiltrated over 4.5 million gallons of stormwater runoff
- Cleaned up 256 tons of marine debris
- Recycled 3,600 bushels of oyster shells into reefs
- Directed over $4 million to the coastal economy to restore habitat
- Achieved a 10-year moratorium on offshore oil drilling
- Headquartered & Central Regional Office 3609 N.C. 24 (Ocean), Newport, NC 28570  252-393-8185
- Northeast Regional Office 637 Harbor Rd, Wanchese, NC 27981  252-473-1607
- Southeast Regional Office 309 W. Salisbury St., Wrightsville Beach, NC 28480  910-509-2838
Revenue & Expenses

Full audited financials for the year ending December 31, 2020 are available at www.nccoast.org or upon request.

Capital Campaign: $1,031,035
Revenues raised through a capital campaign in support of the new Center for Coastal Protection and Restoration.

Support to the Community: $4,107,149
Direct expenses, provided primarily by competitive federal and state grants, spent to fulfill our 2020 goals restoring coastal habitats and water quality.

Seven consecutive years of the highest rating, a level of financial efficiency and transparency achieved by less than 7% of American charities.

Thank You to Our Major Supporters

We are grateful to every member and supporter who helps protect and restore our beautiful coast. Special thanks to the following who gave at recognition levels in 2020:

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REVENUES
$9,554,830

EXPENSES
$6,825,964

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