



Rural Maryland Foundation 2021 Annual Report

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Message From the President

Our primary mission is to support the Rural Maryland Council. We do this by effectively utilizing our structure as a private non-profit to raise and steward funds not available to the Council. It is important that we are not only a valuable administrative asset to the RMC, but also a valuable resource to rural Maryland. To enhance the effectiveness of the Foundation, the Board of Trustees went on a board retreat, where they began drafting a developmental plan. It was soon realized that a strategic plan would be more fitting for the future goals of the Foundation. The strategic plan has been drafted and will be brought to the Joint Planning Committee for approval.

With your help, the Rural Maryland Foundation assisted the LEAD Maryland Foundation Fellowship Program with sponsoring a tuition scholarship. The LEAD program develops new leaders for rural Maryland through training and skills development over a two-year period with intensive multi-day seminars across Maryland.

The Biennial Rural Summit was held December 1st and December 2nd. This year's theme was "Redefining Resilience and Recovery". The Summit was a success, with more than 200 attendees. Some of the highlights consisted of 16 breakout sessions, the awards and RMC annual board meeting dinner, a legislative panel, and several speakers, including Governor Larry Hogan, USDA Under Secretary for Rural Development Xochitl Torres Small, Maryland Comptroller Peter Franchot, and the Summit's keynote speaker Whitney Kimball Coe.

- Dan Rider



LEAD Maryland - Photo by Edwin Remsberg



Rural Maryland Foundation Board during the 2021 Rural Summit
Photo by Edwin Remsberg



2021 Financial Statement

Total Assets: \$198,878.16

Revenue: \$43,940.00

Expenditure: \$21,138.58

Who We Are

Our mission is to support efforts of citizens and government to meet the economic and social needs of rural Maryland.

We support the efforts of the Rural Maryland Council, an independent state agency.

For More Information on the RMC

<https://rural.maryland.gov/>

Our Website

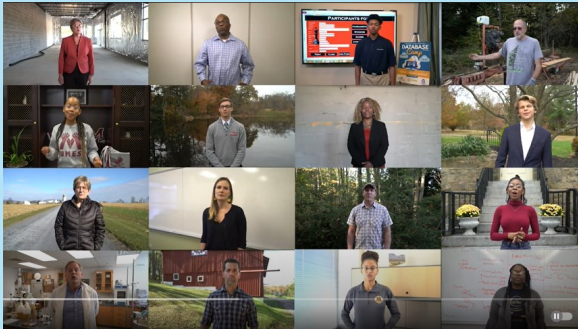
<http://www.ruralmdfoundation.org/>

How To Donate

Our challenges for rural Maryland include high unemployment rates, high poverty rates, lack of transportation and a lack of health care, we can't solve these challenges without your help! Please donate today.

Donate Here

<https://form.jotform.com/90944248349164>



Watch the "We are Rural Maryland" YouTube Video at the link below!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JWzYwA2LOCU>

2021 Sponsors

Rural Summit Sponsors

Rural Champion (\$5,000)

For All Seasons

The Keith Campbell Foundation

Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development

Rural Supporter (\$2,500)

Maryland State Office of Rural Health

(\$1,500)

Maryland Agricultural & Resource-Based Industry Development Corporation

MidAtlantic Farm Credit

Rural Advocate (\$1,000)

Grow & Fortify

Maryland Nursery, Landscape, and Greenhouse Association

University of Maryland Extension

Mid – Shore Regional Council

Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland

Southern Maryland Agricultural Development Commission

Tri-County Council for Western Maryland

Upper Shore Regional Council

Rural Contributor (\$750)

Caroline County Economic Development

Rural Associate (\$500)

Maryland Department of Labor

NetGlo Corporation

Angel Flight East

Tri-County Council for the Lower Eastern Shore of Maryland

Eastern Shore Regional GIS Cooperative

Technology Development Corporation

Maryland Forests Association

Maryland Accessible Telecommunications

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Rural Friend (\$250)

Western Maryland RC&D Council, Inc.

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