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ANNUAL REPORT
April 1, 2025 - March 31, 2026

A Message from Our Board Chair

Dear ASA Friends,

We are fortunate to live among some of the most captivating landscapes in the country. A large portion of these lands are working farms and forests. They provide local sources of food, fiber and forest products. We are honored to play a role in conserving them for future generations. In 2025, we celebrated our 35th anniversary. It is remarkable to look back and realize all that has been accomplished. From our beginnings as an all volunteer group to our present-day organization that stewards over 34,000 acres of farmland and forests, we continue the important work of land conservation. We also completed a new strategic plan that will guide our growth over the next five years. Our work would not be possible without your dedication and support.

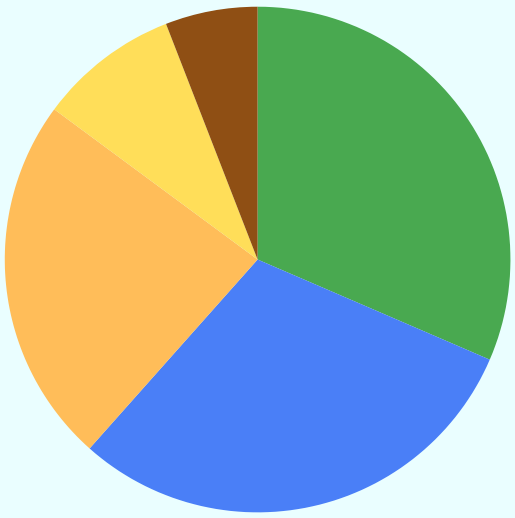
With sincere thanks,

Jim Allen
Board Chair

Board and Staff Retreat March 2026

2025-2026 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

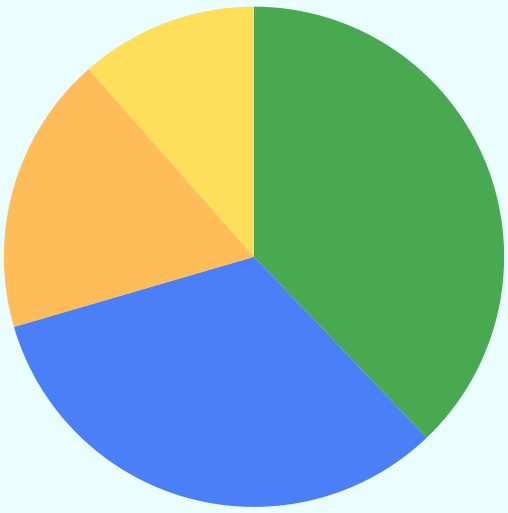
Income



Easement Acquisition Grants	$570,950
Fundraising Income	$545,650
Private Foundations	$427,250
Other Income	$162,785
Other Publicly Supported Grants	$107,000

Total 1,813,635

Expenses



Land Conservation Projects	$566,124
Management & General	$487,388
Land Stewardship & Management	$269,542
Program Expenses	$171,817

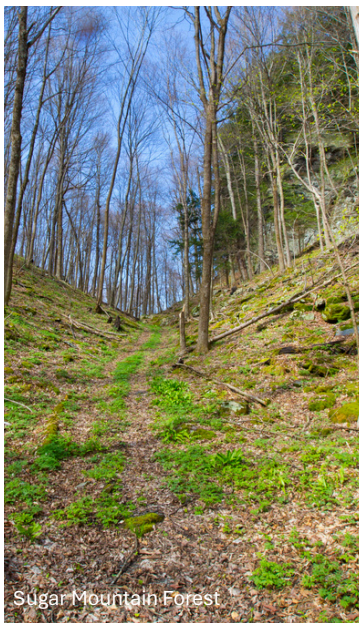
Total 1,494,871

COMPLETED PROJECTS

Dobbin Hill Farm
142 acres in the town of Jackson

Kingsley Farm
392 acres in the town of Whitehall

Sugar Mountain Forest
258 acres in the town of White Creek


Sugar Mountain Forest

Dobbin Hill Farm

Kingsley Farm

CONNECTING WITH COMMUNITY

ASA conducted 23 outreach programs and events to the community during the last year. These included soil health trainings on conserved farms, a nature sensory experience at the Hoosick Falls Senior Center, a tour of the Laughing Earth Farm with clients from Battenkill Community Services, and a seed identification exercise with children from the Boys and Girls Club of Troy. Through this work, community members gain a greater understanding of ASA's mission and purpose.

Cheney Library

Birdwalk on conserved farm

Soil expert Allen Williams leads workshop on conserved property

33,963
acres of farmland and forests protected forever since 1990

23
individual workshops, programs, and events offered throughout the year to farmers, landowners, and community members of all ages.

793 Acres protected over 3 projects

14 Projects in progress

7 New farmland protection applications

2 miles of trails constructed at the future Argyle Community Forest

SUSTAINING ASA

Our Regional Navigator Program Continues Its Growth

Our Regional Navigator program, which connects farmland owners and farmland seekers to support farm transition and farm access, has had a strong year. Our initial inquiries regarding the program grew substantially and we worked closely with 31 farmland seekers to connect them with farmland owners for rental or purchase opportunities.

Berry Patch Farm

Forever Farmland Supper Honors 2025 Conservation Champion John Umlauf

John Umlauf's passion to support our Game of Logging program and leave a "Legacy of Safety" has propelled this successful program which has graduated 114 men and women and granted 56 scholarships to people that have completed all 4 levels of the training.

With over 400 people in attendance at the Forever Farmland Supper, we recognized retiring board members and landowners who recently conserved their land.