



WINOOSKI NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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Dear Winooski Conservation District Supporter,

As a Winooski Natural Resources Conservation District constituent you may already be familiar with some of the projects and activities that the District is currently involved with or has accomplished in the past. We are a non-profit organization servicing the Winooski River watershed, Browns River and portions of Lake Champlain direct subwatersheds, which includes all the land and resources within Chittenden and Washington counties, and three towns in Orange County. We are dedicated to providing on-the-ground conservation assistance, as well as promoting public awareness and appreciation for the value of conserving our natural resources. Our on-going conservation practices include:

- **Watershed Stewardship** (river restoration projects, stream habitat surveys)
- **Agriculture** (cover cropping, nutrient management planning)
- **Urban Conservation** (innovative stormwater management for municipalities and homeowners)
- **Outreach and Education** (lesson plans, workshops, and outreach materials)
- **Annual Conservation Tree Sale** (providing native bare root trees and shrubs to homeowners)
- **Envirothon and Conservation Field Days** (environmental education events for students)

All of these projects require valuable staff time, strong organizational support, and significant resources. We receive a limited amount of annually appropriated funding from the VT Agency of Agriculture and primarily seek project grants to implement our conservation programs. Therefore, we are launching our first Citizen Membership Drive where we are looking to you, the individual landowner who benefits from these educational, informational, and technical services, to demonstrate your support by making a tax-deductible donation. With your contribution, we hope to reach a goal of \$5,000 by December 15, 2007.

Your membership will allow the District to leverage funding from municipalities and encourage local businesses to sponsor community-based District activities throughout the up-coming winter months. By March we hope to reach a cumulative goal of \$20,000 to support our program operations (see timeline below).

Please visit our website: <http://www.vacd.org/winooski> to learn more about the Winooski NRCD and to follow the progress of this important fundraising event.

Thank you for your contribution!
Sincerely,

Our Fundraising Goals	
Citizen Membership Drive	\$5,000 by December 2007
Business Sponsorship Drive	\$10,000 by February 2008
Municipal Partnership Drive	\$5,000 by March 2008

Jessica Andreoletti,
Winooski NRCD Assistant Manager

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Yes, I would like to help the Winooski NRCD continue its important and beneficial work to improve the environment.

Enclosed is my contribution of \$25 _____ \$50 _____ \$100 _____ Other Amount _____

Name _____ Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Please make checks payable to: Winooski NRCD

Mail to: Winooski NRCD, Attn: Fundraising, 1193 South Brownell Rd, Suite 35, Williston, VT 05495