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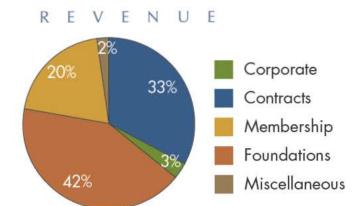
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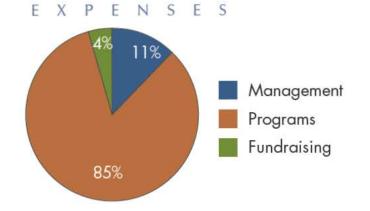
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#### FROM THE PRESIDENT

In 2008, 1000 Friends of Florida addressed more growth and development issues than perhaps ever before. Coupled with the sad state of the economy, those challenges can only be expected to loom larger with each passing year. We thank our smart growth supporters for staying engaged and active in the continuing effort to protect Florida's quality of life and environment and promote a strong, sustainable economy.

We worked tirelessly in 2008 to publicize the critical connections that smart growth has to a healthy economy, climate change, transportation, affordable housing, land acquisition, habitat protection, and community design. Such work carried us throughout Florida, from legal challenges to protect the pristine Perdido Key in Escambia County, to preventing inappropriate mining in the Everglades Agricultural Area, to upholding urban development boundaries in Martin, Palm Beach and Miami-Dade counties.



As always, our advocacy efforts involved considerable time spent in the Legislature, promoting and protecting comprehensive planning. Our affordable housing efforts saw us promoting community land trusts and inclusionary housing ordinances across the state. Through the Better Community Awards, we honored citizens, communities and projects for their commendable contributions to Florida's quality of life.

1000 Friends released two important documents to further smart growth in Florida: Wildlife Habitat Planning Strategies and Best Management Practices for Florida Communities and Landowners and Disaster Mitigation for Historic Structures. Each can be downloaded or purchased (for a nominal fee to cover the cost of shipping) at 1000 Friends' website at www.1000friendsofflorida.org.

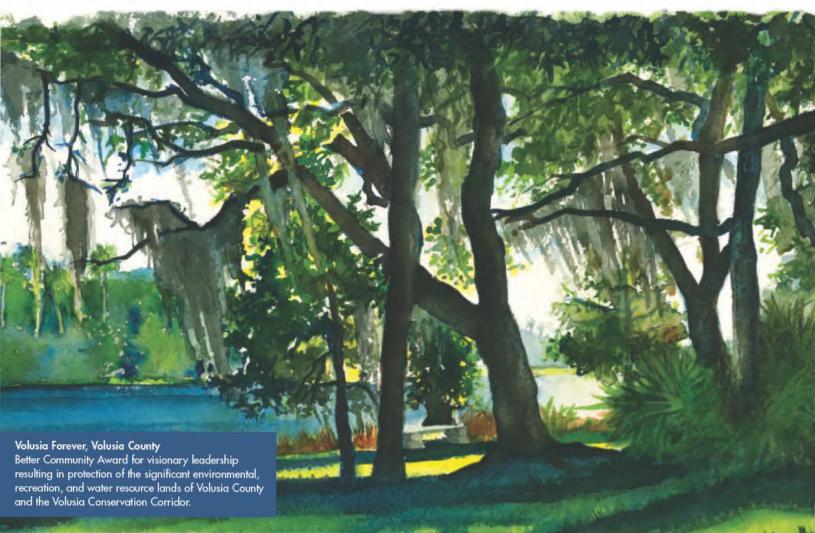
Effective growth management remains one of Florida's most critical challenges. With your good help, we will continue to advocate for sound, effective smart growth solutions to the many challenges that face us all.

Sincerely,

Charles Pattison, FAICP

President

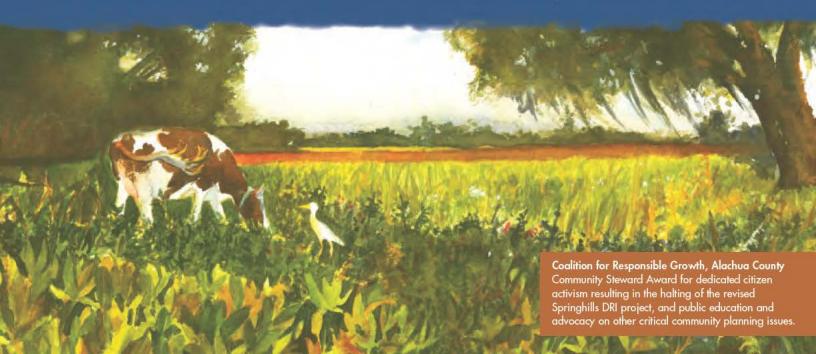
The watercolors depicted in this report were presented to the recipients of 1000 Friends' 2008 Better Community Awards. Since 1987, Quincy artist Dawn McMillan has been creating special artwork on behalf of 1000 Friends.



### HIGHLIGHTS

- During the 2008 legislative session, supported far-reaching legislation addressing the interrelationships between land use and climate change in the State and local comprehensive plans, and helped halt damaging bills allowing aggregate mining and problematic exemptions for certain projects from Development of Regional Impact (DRI) review.
- Worked with other members of the Florida Forever Coalition and citizens to support a ten-year \$3 billion successor to this state's landmark land acquisition program, Florida Forever.
- Early on, endorsed the resoundingly successful Constitutional Amendment 4, which will help protect Florida's water resources and wildlife habitats by providing tax incentives for private landowners who choose to conserve their properties.
- Launched a multi-year initiative to address the interrelationships between climate change, land use, transportation and public health, and laid the groundwork for a series of 2009 workshops.
- Convened two roundtables to develop workable, meaningful reform to Florida's growth management process in light of climate change and the economic crisis, resulting in two papers in 2009.
- Challenged a series of comprehensive plan amendments that would undermine urban service boundaries and promote urban sprawl, including Martin County's Valliere amendment, Palm Beach County's Balsamo/Lantana Farms amendments, and Miami-Dade County's urban development boundary amendments.
- Joined the Sierra Club and Florida Wildlife Federation in filing three lawsuits to oppose newly authorized large-scale rock mining in the Everglades Agricultural Area (EAA).
- Provided extensive comments to Martin County regarding proposed Evaluation and Appraisal Report (EAR) amendments to the comprehensive plan in order to support the county's successful urban service boundary, wetlands protections and other important measures. Also provided input on a proposed Memorandum of Understanding intended to streamline permit approvals, and the Quillen Development of Regional Impact (DRI).

- Supported Governor Charlie Crist and the South Florida Water
  Management District in their visionary effort to purchase vast tracts of
  U.S. Sugar land for Everglades restoration, advocating for minimizing the economic impacts on residents of the Glades communities
  while achieving maximum restoration benefits.
- Monitored proposals for an inland port, which would serve as a massive regional storage and distribution facility for cargo from existing South Florida ports, for possible inappropriate or damaging impacts to Everglades restoration efforts and development patterns in rural areas of Martin and Palm Beach counties.
- Filed an amicus brief supporting the City of Tallahassee's inclusionary housing ordinance, which was being challenged by the Florida Home Builders Association (FHBA).
- Assisted with drafting model regional inclusionary housing ordinances, developing legal strategies to prevent the closing of mobile home parks, and supporting community land trusts.
- Played an extensive role in producing the Florida Housing Coalition's
  annual statewide conference, Housing: The New Environment, which
  drew approximately 750 participants, produced a series of workshops for the Florida Neighborhoods Conference, and facilitated a
  caucus on using funding from the U.S. Housing and Urban
  Development's (HUD) Neighborhood Stabilization Program.
- Successfully advocated that the Florida Housing Finance Corporation change Florida's lottery system making it somewhat easier for smaller developers and nonprofits to compete for state funding.
- Monitored major new road projects proposed for the Florida Panhandle, including a new roadway along the southern border of Eglin Air Force Base, a new beltway around Pensacola, the Gulf Coast Parkway in Gulf County, and a private toll road from Dothan, Alabama to Panama City.
- Joined with a local citizen organization and the Department of Community Affairs to challenge Escambia County's comprehensive plan amendment to allow substantially increased development on Perdido Key, a fragile barrier island. When Escambia County decided to repeal the challenged amendment, the case was closed.



### HONORS AND APPOINTMENTS

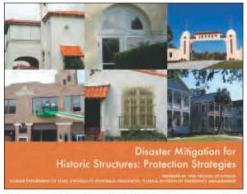
- Charity Navigator presented 1000 Friends with its coveted 4-star rating, indicating that "1000 Friends of Florida executes its mission in a fiscally responsible way, and outperforms most other charities in America."
- The Everglades Foundation presented 1000 Friends Chairman Emeritus Nathaniel Reed with the Everglades Legend award for his "pioneering environmental work and his refusal to 'accept no for an answer' when addressing the needs of the Greater Everglades Ecosystem."
- 1000 Friends President Charles Pattison was named a Fellow of the American Institute of Certified Planners, one of the Institute's highest honors, as "a model planner who has made significant contributions to planning and society."
- 1000 Friends President Charles Pattison continued serving on the
  three major state panels addressing climate change and growth in
  Florida—the Florida Governor's Action Team on Energy and Climate
  Change (which released the State Climate Plan in October) the
  Climate Change Advisory Group of the Florida Energy Commission,
  and the Century Commission for a Sustainable Florida.

- Governor Charlie Crist appointed 1000 Friends Vice Chairman Timothy Jackson of Orlando to the newly created Florida Energy and Climate Change Commission.
- The Forum Club of the Palm Beaches awarded 1000 Friends
   President Emeritus Dr. John M. DeGrove the Outstanding Public
   Service Award in honor of his commitment to the community.
- Commissioner Jess Santamaria appointed 1000 Friends Community Planner Joanne Davis to the Palm Beach County Zoning Commission.
- Florida Chief Financial Officer Alex Sink appointed 1000 Friends
  Affordable Housing Director Jaimie Ross to the Florida Financial
  Action Team for the Foreclosure Prevention Act of 2008 to identify
  the funds available for Florida from the act and to educate
  Floridians about how to take advantage of these resources.
- 1000 Friends' white paper, Working to Save Florida's Rural and Natural Lands: A Call to Action, was honored with a 2008 Florida Print Award for its use of alternative printing methods.

## MAJOR PUBLICATIONS



Wildlife Habitat Planning Strategies, Design Features and Best Management Practices for Florida Communities and Landowners focuses on strategies to integrate wildlife habitat planning into local and regional planning efforts.



Disaster Mitigation for Historic Structures: Protection Strategies outlines appropriate techniques to make historic structures more resistant to storm damage.

