In 2020 Sustainable Woodstock (SW) celebrated eleven years of partnering with the Town of Woodstock, local and regional organizations, businesses, residents and municipalities to foster Woodstock’s legacy as birthplace of the modern conservation movement, and to grow a vibrant, inclusive, resilient community where we live sustainably–now and for future generations. www.sustainablewoodstock.org

THANK YOU!

A SELECT LIST OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS MADE POSSIBLE BY OUR GENEROUS SUPPORTERS AND DEDICATED VOLUNTEERS!

- **East End Park**: Sustainable Woodstock’s East End Action Group conducted a major capital campaign to construct the park, including the spectacular amphitheater, pergola and Joby Thompson Labyrinth. Also completed: fruit and specimen tree plantings, landscaped stone path and stone posts along the edible garden. The final projects are now being completed with funds from a capstone Vermont Recreational Facilities Grant: rock scramble, slide and interpretive panels.

- **Upper Valley Partnerships**: No town is an island. Sustainable Woodstock partners with some 50 Upper Valley organizations and municipalities to enhance the synergistic impacts of our collective efforts.

- **SW’s Energy & Transportation Action Group**: Successfully collaborated with the Woodstock community, six other Upper Valley towns and the Two Rivers-Ottauquechee Regional Commission to create a new Intermunicipal Regional Energy Coordinator. SWEAT partnered with Woodstock’s EMS personnel, the Town of Woodstock and Efficiency Vermont to design the new Emergency Services building energy systems to be net-zero ready.

- **Ottauquechee River Trail (ORT)**: SW assisted in the ongoing development of a new, 3-mile loop trail that begins at the East End Park—a project of the ORT Committee and dedicated volunteers in partnership with property owners, the Town and Village of Woodstock, Woodstock Economic Development Commission, Upper Valley Trails Alliance, State of Vermont and many local organizations. Visit here for more information:
  

- **SUSTAINABILITY FOR ALL**:
  - **Energy Efficiency**: SW will partner with Vital Communities to assist mobile homeowners in Woodstock and surrounding towns with weatherization and other energy-saving projects. (Structures that often realize significant energy savings from energy retrofits.) SW’s own low-income weatherization program assists & connects homeowners to resources & financing in partnership with SEVCA, COVER Home Repair, Ottauquechee Health Foundation, Faulkner Foundation and Efficiency VT. We completed 75 low-income weatherization projects in Woodstock and Bridgewater via the Weatherize Upper Valley Program.
  - **Renewable Energy**: We are working with several partners to explore ways that investors can fund community solar to make renewable energy available to low- and moderate-income families.

- **Sustainable Woodstock Annual Meeting—Major Speaker for Earth Day 2021**: On April 22, 2021 SW will have the honor of hosting Frances Moore Lappé as our featured speaker—author & co-author of 19 books about world hunger, living democracy and the environment, including the groundbreaking *Diet for a Small Planet*, *World Hunger: 10 Myths and EcoMind*.

- **Weekly Columns**: 10+ years of writing weekly columns for the *Vermont Standard*. (A special thanks to the *Vermont Standard* staff!)

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Frances Moore Lappé
SW & Pentangle Arts hosted the Vermont premiere of Entangled. Some 200 people watched this award-winning film about how climate change is threatening the endangered North Atlantic right whale.

- **Community Celebrations & Recycling:** SW’s Annual Recycling Day was rescheduled for October 17, 2020 (due to COVID-19), during which we typically recycle 5,000 pounds of used electronics and shred/recycle 4,000 pounds of paper. When public gatherings are no longer restricted due to health and safety concerns presented by the coronavirus—we will again partner on many of our annual community events and projects, including the Road to the Pogue, Trek to Taste, the Covered Bridges Half Marathon (where we manage recycling, trash and composting for nearly 3,000 people) and our Solar Showcase at Taste of Woodstock.

- **Community Gardens:** Coordinated activities and gatherings in SW gardens at Billings Farm and King Farm. Engineered an enhanced solar water pump design, with battery backup, in order to accommodate a 30% increase in the number of community gardeners (due to COVID-19) and to begin growing food for the Woodstock Community Food Shelf.

- **Forest Carbon Action Group:** Foresters, loggers, industry experts and Upper Valley residents meet monthly to discuss how to encourage and advise private and public landowners on managing their forests to increase how much carbon they store and take out of the atmosphere. The group plans to develop a guide for private landowners who want to manage their forests to these ends.

- **Assisted with sustainable initiatives in Reading, Hardland, Bridgewater, Brownsville, Barnard, Pomfret, Hartford, Weathersfield and Lebanon:** Worked with Brownsville residents and Lebanon to help establish sustainability and energy groups. Advising and assisting the Bridgewater Area Community Foundation to transform the Bridgewater Community Center into a vital, resilient, solar-powered hub (3rd year on this project).

- **Completed our sixth year of monthly Green Drinks discussions:** Focusing on sustainability activity in Woodstock & the Upper Valley Region. Green Drinks has been transformed into a venue for regional collaboration and networking for Upper Valley sustainability and resilience organizations.

- **Kedron Brook Fish Passage Restoration:** Sustainable Woodstock and our partners will continue to work to open up the remaining impediments to fish passage along Kedron Brook.

- **Equipment & Upgrades:** We purchased a new computer and software to efficiently and securely manage events, meetings and film series in the virtual world.

- **Fiscal Agency:** Continue to serve as fiscal sponsor for Bookstock and for the development and fund-raising activities for the East End Park.

- **SUSWOO GLOBAL:** Collaborating with Sustainable Woodstock UK, Sea Shepherd, Small Planet Institute and others to share and explore ways to educate and engage the global community: www.sustainablewoodstock.co.uk • seashepherd.org • www.smallplanet.org

**Billings Community Garden:** Holden Cleland (3) and his father, Andrew; watch the tomato plants while waiting to see if a green frog will snap up the hornworm in the mini-pond. (It did!)
2020 FINANCIAL REPORT

Organizational Growth & Activity Reflected in Annual Budget Increases

- **2018-2019**: $97,750
- **2019-2020**: $115,110
- **2020-2021**: $119,571

**FY 2019-2020 REVENUE**

Please help us grow the Individual Giving portion of our budget!

*Sustainable Woodstock wishes to express our sincere appreciation to the following:*

(Organizational and program support is listed here. The generous individuals and foundations who contributed to the East End Park Capital Campaign will be acknowledged in future outreach.)

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- Rauch Foundation
- ScottsMiracle-Gro Foundation
- Vermont Community Foundation (Sustainable Future Fund & SPARK! Connecting Community)
- Vermont Humanities

**ORGANIZATIONS**

- Billings Farm & Museum (Community Garden)
- Center for Sustainability
- Two Rivers-Ottawaquechee Regional Commission
- Vermont Land Trust (King Farm Garden)
- Woodstock Area Rotary
- Yoh Theatre Players

**BUSINESSES**

- Chippers, Inc.
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- High Mowing Organic Seeds
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