



Benefits and Requirements of Land Trust Membership

Benefits

Gathering Waters: Wisconsin's Alliance for Land Trusts provides technical assistance, advocates for public policies and funding that support land conservation, and fosters a community of practice to strengthen Wisconsin's land trusts. A strong alliance benefits your organization and the land trust community across the state.

As a land trust member you have access to a variety of benefits, including:

Public Policy Advocacy & Government Relations

Benefit from a strong advocate for state and federal policies and programs that support land conservation.

Resources and Updates

Receive timely information on resources, training, and policy through *Currents*, Gathering Waters' technical e-bulletin for land trusts, and access sample policies and documents through our resource web page.

Peer Networking

Engage in a network of peers and experts to share information and best practices.

Training & Technical Assistance

Tap into the Land Trust Excellence & Advancement Program's support for organizational development, strategic planning, preparation to apply for national accreditation, and more. Take advantage of land trust member discounts to Gathering Waters' events and training programs, including the Land Trust Retreat.

Publicity

List your land trust on the Gathering Waters website in an interactive, online map of Wisconsin land trusts, and in outreach materials. Promote your stories and successes through the website, *Crosscurrents* newsletter, and e-news.

Requirements

1. **Current list of the Board of Directors** with addresses, emails, and phone numbers (send to info@gatheringwaters.org)
2. **Current list of staff (if applicable)** with titles, emails, and phone numbers (send to info@gatheringwaters.org)
3. **Response to a periodic survey.** Gathering Waters may request information about a land trust's recent land protection efforts and current organizational structure, to inform our planning as well as to demonstrate the scope and quality of impact of land trust work in Wisconsin.
4. **Accreditation earned and maintained, OR a board-approved attestation to the membership elements for Wisconsin Land Trusts.**

If a land trust fails to fulfill membership requirements, the Board of Directors of Gathering Waters reserves the right, at its discretion, to deny or revoke membership of any individual or organization.