



# STEWARDSHIP CIRCLE

BE PART OF PROTECTING LAND, WATER, AND LEGACY BEYOND OUR LIFETIMES

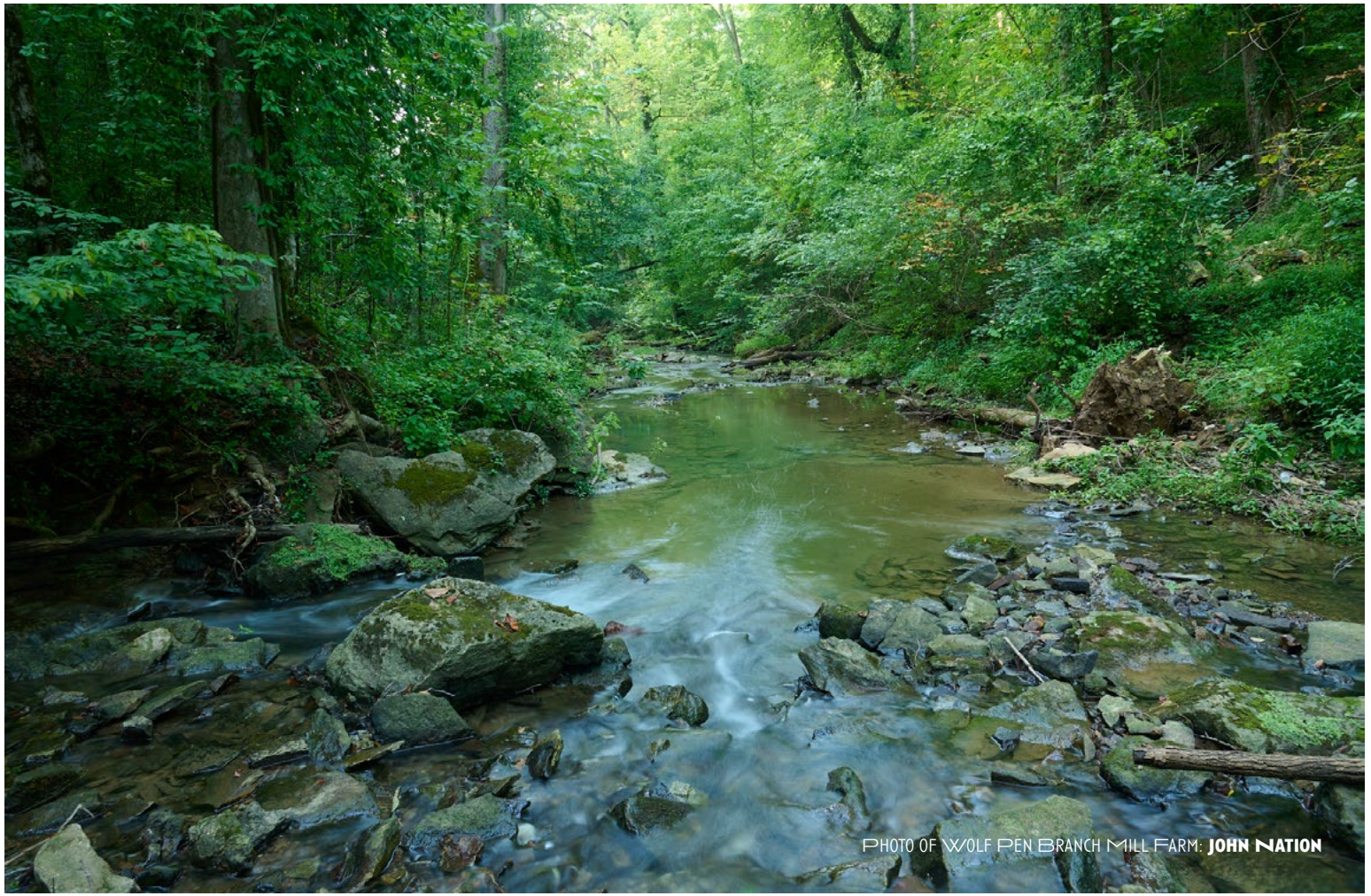


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## WHAT IS RIVER FIELDS STEWARDSHIP CIRCLE?

Being a steward means being part of something greater than you are: something that was there before you, and that will endure after you're gone. The act of stewardship calls for humility, purpose, and vision. It calls for thinking today about what will impact vulnerable lands, waters, built heritage, and the future generations who depend upon them.

River Fields safeguards the natural, cultural, and recreational resources along the Ohio River corridor in Kentucky. For more than six decades – since 1959 – our generous donors and partners have trusted River Fields to protect vital landscapes, connect people to nature, and

advocate for responsible land and water stewardship. Today, River Fields permanently protects **2,300 acres of land with conservation easements**, and stewards **66 acres of natural land** along the Ohio River—irreplaceable habitat and public benefit lands that sustain biodiversity, protect cultural history, and strengthen climate resilience for generations to come.

Stewardship is a gift that can continue to endure far beyond those 67 years – onward through generations and centuries. Land and water outlive us, and they still need us after we're gone. It's our choice and within our power to ensure they remain protected.

Many of our most dedicated supporters choose to steward River Fields beyond their lifetime through a simple provision in their estate plan. This visionary act of generosity helps ensure we have longterm resources for carrying out mission-critical work.

With a bequest to River Fields's Stewardship Circle, you make a permanent promise to be part of our work to protect fragile and threatened landscapes from harmful development. Your legacy gift helps ensure that River Fields always has the resources to protect the beauty that you love – for your descendants, and for generations you may never even meet.

Your legacy contributes to a healthy, connected Ohio River landscape where land and water are protected, thriving, resilient and stewarded for the common good - forever.

## ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

There is no minimum threshold amount to be a Stewardship Circle member and members do not have to disclose details they do not wish to. Members

can remain anonymous or be listed. Membership is awarded upon written intent of any of the following:

- Bequest provision in will or trust
- Beneficiary designation (IRA, TOD account, life insurance)
- CRT or CLT benefiting River Fields
- Donation of a testamentary conservation easement

Should you require assistance in shaping a legacy gift within your estate or beneficiary plans, River Fields has external partners with expertise as needed to provide impartial advice and recommendations relative to your wealth and/or estate planning goals.

If you'd like to know more, please contact River Fields President and CEO Kristin Faurest at [kristin@riverfields.org](mailto:kristin@riverfields.org)

**JOIN US. PROTECT TODAY. PRESERVE FOREVER.**





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