



NEBRASKA SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION SOCIETY SWCS

Chapter Leader Handbook



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Nebraska Chapter of SWCS

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Basics on the Chapter

Our mission is to foster the science and art of natural resource conservation.

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The Nebraska Chapter is organized for educational, scientific, and charitable purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

CHAPTER OBJECTIVES

To advocate the conservation, protection, enhancement, and wise use of soil, water, and related natural resources.

To develop and communicate statewide a knowledge base on the conservation, protection, enhancement, and wise use of soil, water, and related natural resources.

To promote a stewardship ethic of soil, water, and related resources that recognizes the interdependence of people, soil, water, and natural resources.

To promote the continued capacity of the soil to function as a vital and living ecosystem by supporting education and outreach programs to increase understanding and adoption of soil health principles.

Nebraska By-Laws: <http://nebraskaswcs.org/past-events---information.html>

Chapter Website: <http://nebraskaswcs.org/index.html>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/SWCSnebraska/>

NSWC Foundation: <http://nebraskaswcs.org/nswc-foundation.html>

CHAPTER GOALS:

1. Host the Chapter Meeting each year, moving location across the state.
2. Collaborate with Society for Range Management (SRM) and host a Technical Meeting in 2023.
3. Reach out to members through the newsletter, Chapter emails, and Facebook.

CHAPTER FUNCTIONS

Scholarships

Annual Meeting

Dave Langemeier Memorial Golf Tournament

Newsletter

Professional Development

Membership

Legislative Breakfast

Awards

Assist/inform UNL Student Chapter

Conservation Education

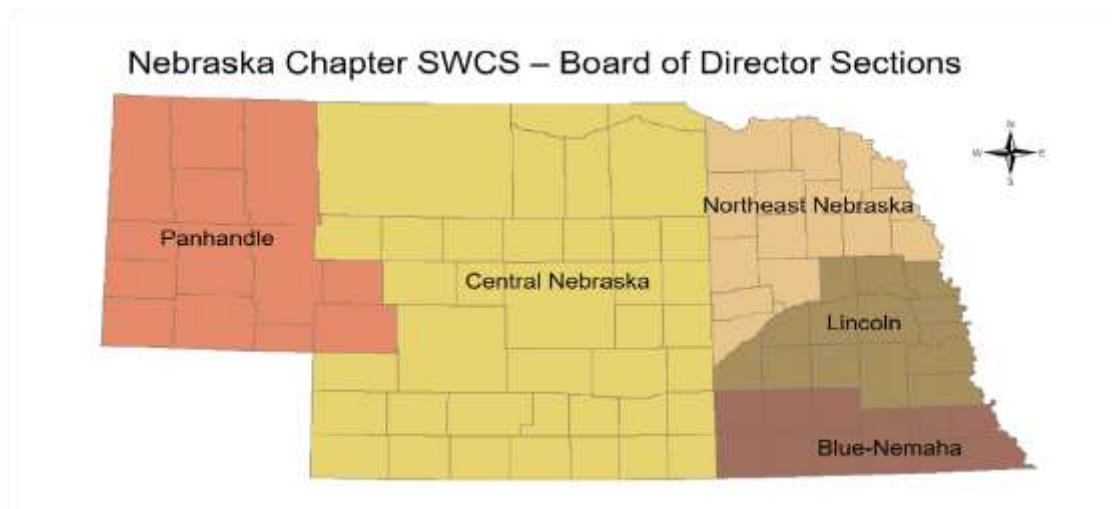
Leadership Responsibilities

Board of Directors

The Nebraska Chapter shall have a governing body known as the Board of Directors, consisting of one Board member elected by Nebraska Chapter members of each established section as described in By-laws and elected by members of that section, two At-Large Board members, elected by all members, one student member elected by all student members, and the five Nebraska Chapter officers described below. Each director and officer shall be a member in good standing of the Nebraska Chapter. Each Board member shall serve until his or her successor has been elected and has qualified. Board members shall be elected for 3-year terms, except as stated herein. The terms of office for elected Board members shall begin immediately following the Nebraska Chapter annual meeting or on September 1 if an annual meeting is not to be held. The term of the student Board member shall be for 1 year only. The student board member shall be elected annually by all student members of student chapters within Nebraska.

The principal officers of the Nebraska Chapter shall be the President, President-Elect Past President, Secretary, and Treasurer, each of whom shall be a member, sustaining member, or life member. Election to the Board is not mandatory for members to hold office. Officers shall be voting members of the Board of Directors. Each officer shall serve a one-year term that will begin immediately following the Nebraska Chapter's annual meeting and serve until his or her successor has been elected and has qualified. Officers may succeed themselves, if so elected. See Appendix A for the current leadership.

Nebraska By-Laws: [hKp://nebraskaswcs.org/past-events---information.html](http://nebraskaswcs.org/past-events---information.html)



Nomination Committee: Responsible for obtaining members that are willing to serve in various open positions.

Election Committee: Responsible for managing elections when there is more than one member seeking an elected position, such as President, Vice-President or any of the board positions.

Finance Committee: Responsible for creating an annual budget, the handling of the Nebraska Chapter's funds and investments, and any other business matters of the Nebraska Chapter.

Standing or temporary committees

Except as otherwise provided in bylaws, standing or temporary committees and issue/problem-oriented task forces may be established by the Board for any purpose within the scope of the objectives of the Nebraska Chapter. The President may establish special temporary committees for like purposes not otherwise provided. The President shall appoint the members of all committees and task forces, except as otherwise directed by these bylaws or the Board. All committees and task forces shall report on their activities as directed by the creating authority.

Annual Meeting Committee. Plan annual meeting. Refer to workbook.

Awards Committee- Petition candidates for various chapter and international awards, submit nominations and inform awardees and invite individual to annual meeting to receive award.

Membership Committee-Responsible for devising and carrying out promotional activities and publicity for the purpose of enlisting new members and retaining current members.

Newsletter Committee-Publish bi-annual newsletter to provide information to members about society events as well as technical topics related to soil and water conservation.

Scholarship Committee – Promote and announce scholarship program, gather applications and award scholarship winners.

Website Editor– Update website as needed, adding newsletters as published and other member information.

Facebook Editor – Publish at least one post each month relating to Soil and Water Conservation ideas.

Dave Langemeier Memorial Golf Tournament – Host a golf tournament each year.

Legislative Breakfast – Organize a breakfast with Nebraska Senators, NARD members and SWCS members.

Historian - Encourage members to send items of note about members throughout the state, to be added to electronic archives.

Student Chapter - contact UNL adviser each year.

Core Committees

Committee	Chair
Nomination	
Election	Paul Zillig
Finance	S. Corey Brubaker

Nomination Committee: The nominations committee shall nominate and submit to the President not later than three months before the annual meeting a list of candidates whom the committee deems meets the qualifications for Board membership and who have consented to have their names appear on the ballot, including at least one candidate for each position to be filled. Refer to SWCS Chapter By-Laws Article 4; Section 4 – Nomination and Election Procedure

Election Committee: The Elections Committee chair shall receive, record, and safeguard the ballots as stipulated by Board policy. Committees and Task Forces. Refer to SWCS Chapter By-Laws Article 4; Section 4 – Nomination and Election Procedure and Section 5 – Election Committee

- Obtain a list of the candidates from the nominating committee.
- Obtain an updated membership list by region, utilizing email addresses, if no email then snail mail.
- Prepare ballots for all regions with elections and distribute.
- Receive ballots as of the deadline.
- Tabulate results, verify, submit as per by-laws.

Finance Committee: A finance committee, including, but not limited to, the Treasurer, shall be appointed by the President to advise the Board and the officers regarding the annual budget, the handling of the Nebraska Chapter's funds and investments, and any other business matters of the Nebraska Chapter.

Standing Committees

Standing Committee	Chair	2nd	3rd
Annual Meeting			
Northeast Nebraska - 2022	Patrick Cowsert	Sean Elliot	Darwin Hinrichs – Silent Auction
Blue Nemaha - 2023	Dave Bedlan		
Panhandle - 2024	Ed Harms	Robin Foulk	
Lincoln - 2025	S. Corey Brubaker		
Awards	Anita Nein	Doug Garrison	Darwin Hinrichs
Membership	Claudia Stevenson	Craig Romary	
Newsletter Editor	Laura Rubeck		
Scholarship	Craig Romary	S. Corey Brubaker	
Website Editor	Doug Garrison		
Facebook Editor	Craig Romary	Claudia Stevenson	
Dave Langemeier Memorial Golf Tournament	S. Corey Brubaker	Mike Kucera	Rich Torpin
Legislative Breakfast	Craig Romary	S. Corey Brubaker	
Historian	Craig Romary	Robin Foulk	
Student Chapter	Craig Romary	Tom Franti, advisor	

1. ***Annual Meeting***

The Nebraska Chapter will have an annual meeting, usually in June. The members and their guests are invited by email or phone calls. The meeting location rotates across Nebraska and a member of the Board will assist as the location occurs in his/her area. Typically, the social portion of the meeting will begin on the afternoon of Thursday and conclude Saturday morning.

It has been tradition to have a tour on day 1 and technical presentations on day 2. This decision is up to the planners and will depend on the availability of tours and speakers. The tours should be technical in nature. The tours cover the most recent emphasis in conservation. On day 1 there should be an opportunity for people to register, gather and meet up before the day 1 tour. On day 2, a banquet is held in the evening starting with a social hour to look at the Silent Auction items people donated for the event. The proceeds of the Silent Auction go to the scholarship awards.

The Silent Auction begins at the opening of the Annual Meeting weekend. Members donate a wide variety of bargains, artwork, food baskets, and books. The final time to make a bid on an item is at the end of the happy hour that proceeds the banquet. All proceeds go to the scholarship fund. A note to members should be sent at least one month before the beginning of the Annual Meeting.

Dinner should be opened by the President. Following dinner, the Awards Chair and the President will present awards to the members. At the conclusion the Silent Auction items are announced, and members pay for the bids that they won.

The business meeting is held Friday or Saturday morning and will consist of the following:

- Officer Reports
- Secretary's Report from past meeting
- Treasurer's Report
- Scholarship Report – optional
- Regional Director Report – optional
- Old Business
- New Business
- Program - optional

The President shall preside over the annual meeting planned during his/her term, announce board and officer selections for the forthcoming year, and present the gavel to the newly appointed President at the conclusion of the annual meeting.

2. *Award Committee*

Present as many awards as possible each year.

It is important for a professional organization to recognize outstanding contributions in the conservation area. Awards do not have to be limited to members of a SWCS chapter. Consider professional contributions on the job, including conservation applications on the farm. Awards are a great incentive for SWCS participation, especially at annual meetings. Having a chance to attend an SWCS International Meeting to receive an award is a great way to see importance of international conservation and get pumped up to participate in local SWCS chapters.

- Keep a record of those who receive awards. See Nebraska awards descriptions in the By-Laws, Article IX, Section 1.
- Keep close contact with all members of the awards committee.
- Maintain lists of membership rolls to see who would be eligible.
- Ask members from the area of annual meetings to nominate candidates.
- Present lists of nominees to awards committee for selection by consensus.
- For international awards, pay attention to qualifications needed for each award and the maximum number your club can nominate. Match your candidates to the award.
- Notify winners for their approval, when and where the award will be given.

- Consider cost to site where award will be given. Some members can secure cost share of expenses; others cannot. Try to plan further locations for those who can. Send as many as possible award winners to locations affordable for those who will not receive cost share for travel. For an annual meeting, prepare the award certificates and get the local chapter president and other committee members to sign the certificates. Plan the presentation time with the local host on the agenda.
- For an international award, the committee should assist candidates with computer applications for submissions to Ankeny, but the nominee fills it out.

3. Membership Committee

Responsible for devising and carrying out promotional activities and publicity for the purpose of enlisting new members and retaining current members.

Membership lists are updated by the National office at www.swcs.org. Each month the Membership Chair will receive the membership list that shows **New Members, Reinstated, Lapsed** and **Members** that will lapse this month. This is a nationwide list. The spreadsheet gives the Chair the opportunity to reach out to any category. Once a month, the Chair will review the lists provided and contact the member that has lapsed or not renewed. The Board of Directors can assist by making these contacts. A letter should be sent to the New Members (Appendix A) and those that have allowed membership to Lapse (Appendix B). Every quarter, the Chair should review the overall list from Headquarters (request the Nebraska specific list). Use this information to catch up on missing members and once again reach out by phone, email, letter and ask Board Members to assist.

Use the overall list from Headquarters to update the Newsletter Chair. This is important to update periodically and share with the Newsletter committee. The newsletter is sent by email to most members. The list contains both emails and physical addresses.

The Chair should work with the Facebook editor to create or update membership campaigns at least once a year. The Chair should reach out to various groups such as the Natural Resource Districts for the group membership and individuals that work for NRCS, University Extension and IANR, as well as US Forest Service. The student chapter at UNL should be updated each year.

4. Newsletter

Responsible for publishing a bi-annual newsletter which serves to provide information to members on society events, accomplishments of members, scholarship information, and technical topics related to soil and water conservation. Content of the newsletter is obtained by submission of items from members. An invitation is sent via email to members asking for articles and photos for the newsletter approximately a month in advance of the publish date of the newsletter. The editor formats, proofs and finalizes the newsletters which are distributed via email to all members and posted on the Nebraska SWCS website "nebraskaswcs.org."

5. Scholarship

Responsible for soliciting student applications annually as funding allows. Potential funding is evaluated annually at the Chapter business meeting for both the UNL Foundations and the Nebraska Soil & Water Conservation Foundation. Applications are received, saved/scanned, and distributed to a committee comprised of a diverse set of members.

Other duties:

- Correspond with student scholarship recipients and distribute funds.
- Obtain pictures, if possible.
- Notify statewide and local media of awards.
- Update application form and work with website manager.

6. *Website Committee*

The current website name “nebraskaswcs.org” is owned by the Website Committee Chair as part of their personal web host account. The Chapter reimburses the Chair for web site fees related to maintaining the website.

The basic format of the website is maintained by the Chair. Website updates are posted when events are scheduled, newsletters are created, or other chapter information becomes newly available.

The website name could be transferred to another individual’s web host account in the future as need dictates.

7. *Facebook*

- Monitor partner and other chapter’s sites for newsworthy posts (job announcements, policy items, events, etc.)
- Periodically post ‘Throwback Thursday’ items from Archives and use window clings and SWCS notebooks as prizes.
- Use Facebook as a way of promoting various activities, such as scholarships, golf tourney, legislative breakfast, annual chapter meetings, etc.
- Include info in Chapter newsletter to encourage member use of Facebook page.

8. *Dave Langemeier Memorial Golf Tournament*

This event is typically held in late August or early September at a public golf course in Lincoln.

Duties:

- Schedule a date with the golf course
- Solicit donations from sponsors (prizes for the golf tournament or cash donations)
- Send out registration information to members and other interested golfers.
- Set up the golf tournament.
- Handle registration and check in on the day of the tournament.
- Coordinate scoring and award prizes at the tournament.
- Send thank you notes to sponsors.
- Write an article for the newsletter.

9. *Legislative/Informational Breakfast*

This event has typically been held in January-February-March to coincide with the Legislative session, as well as the NARD legislative conference, which is attended by many members (NRCS and NRDs). However, it has been hard to schedule our breakfast on a day which does not compete with other “bigger name” organizations vying for senator’s attention.

Duties:

- Solicit topic ideas from chapter members and board in December.
- Review the “activity calendar” of the Clerk of the Legislature. This usually has been done in person at the Capitol, but recently the Clerk’s office has provided a scan by email. A date when the least competition from other ag/natural resources activities is preferred.
- Work with members and speakers to select a date for their schedule.
- Compose/send invitations to Senators, once room assignments at the Capitol have been published (Invitations are usually hand delivered by two members, however, they could be mailed)
- Work with list serve coordinator to send out meeting info.
- Coordinate with volunteers to provide refreshments.
- Work with Chapter secretary to provide summary for newsletter/annual report.

10. *Historical/Archive*

Encourage members to send items of note about members throughout the state, to be added to electronic archives. These can include career milestones, newspaper/web articles, scholarship news, obituaries, pictures, etc.

Other Duties:

- Once hard copy items are completely scanned and stored (as far as we know), work on a plan for distributing this archive to members. Options include copying complete archive to thumb drives for distribution on request, and finding a web host where this info can be categorized/grouped/displayed for member (or public) access.
- Receive e-copies of items mentioned above, and store on external hard drive (up-load to web host, when available)
- Work with SWCS headquarters historian to obtain/provide Nebraska Chapter info.

11. *Student Chapter Liaison*

Periodically, reach out to the Student Chapter at UNL and update the Student Chapter on events of the main Chapter.

Nebraska Soil & Water Conservation Foundation

The Foundation was created in 1988 to provide financial and professional support for the mission of the Soil and Water Conservation Society in Nebraska. The Foundation's purpose is to promote and support special activities in education, public information and research. The Foundation is registered with the State of Nebraska and IRS as a nonprofit corporation and accepts donations to carry out its mission. Five SWCS members are elected and serve as the Board of Directors. All SWCS members are members of the Foundation and can participate in business meetings, usually held at least annually in conjunction with the annual chapter meeting.

See Appendix E for brochure.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

(w/ term expiration)

President

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Email: clrpkrne@windstream.net

Director

Tom Mountford (2027)
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402-937-3604
Tmountford51@hotmail.com

The Nebraska SWCS Chapter President is a non-voting Member.

Appendix

Current Chapter Leadership

Officer	Name	Term Begin	END
President	Claudia Stevenson	7/1/2022	6/30/2023
President-Elect		7/1/2022	6/30/2023
Secretary	Darwin Hinrichs	7/1/2022	6/30/2023
Treasurer	S. Corey Brubaker	7/1/2022	6/30/2023
Past President	Dave Bedlan	7/1/2022	6/30/2023
Directors:			
Blue-Nemaha	Dave Bedlan	7/1/2021	6/30/2024
Central Nebraska	Darwin Hinrichs	7/1/2022	6/30/2025
Lincoln	S. Corey Brubaker	7/1/2022	6/30/2025
Northeast	Patrick Cowsert	7/1/2019	6/30/2023
Panhandle	Edwin Harms	7/1/2021	6/30/2024
At Large	Laura Rubeck	7/1/2021	6/30/2024
At Large	Sean Elliot	7/1/2019	6/30/2023

Leadership Contact

Name	email	Phone
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S. Corey Brubaker	corey.brubaker@usda.gov	402-896-2169
Laura Rubeck	Laura.rubeck@usda.gov	402-276-4982
Patrick Cowsert	Patrick.cowsert@usda.gov	402- 830-6980
Sara Gray	sara.gray@usda.gov	308-632-4317 w

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Sean Elliott	selliott@lpnnrd.org	402-443-4675

Sample letter to New Member

Nebraska Soil and Water Conservation Society
627 Central Ave.
Grant, NE 68140
308-352-4776 ext. 105
Claudia.stevenson@ne.usda.gov
<http://nebraskaswcs.org/index.html>



WELCOME!

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- Opportunities to network with and learn from professionals from many disciplines through local, regional, and international meetings.
- Interaction and education through local chapter membership in the United States and Canada.
- Subscription to the *Journal of Soil and Water Conservation*, a multidisciplinary journal of natural resources conservation research, practice, policy, and perspectives.
- Effective representation in policy circles on environmental, agricultural, and conservation issues.

SWCS Headquarters

- www.swcs.org/join
- Call: 1-800-THE SOIL
- Mail 945 SW Ankeny Rd, Ankeny, IA 50023

If there are any questions at all, feel free to contact me!

Sincerely,

Claudia Stevenson

Membership Chair

President Dave Bedlin 402-729-8134
Past-President Robin Foulk 308-432-4616
Secretary Darwin Heinrichs 308-468-5900

Treasurer Corey Brubaker 402-437-4164
Newsletter Sarah Gray 308-632-2195 x 120
Doug Garrison 402-643-4586 x 115
Membership Claudia Stevenson 308-352-4776

Sample letter to Member that has lapsed membership.

Nebraska Soil and Water Conservation Society
927 Central Ave.
308-352-4776 ext 105 phone
Claudia.stevenson@ne.usda.gov
<http://nebraskaswcs.org/index.html>



3/1/2018

Member Name
Street
City, ST zip

Dear Member Name,

Ooops... your membership has lapsed, and we would love to have you back in Nebraska SWCS. Please consider renewing your membership. I recommend using the automatic deduction from your employer. If you are retired (congratulations!) there may be a way to continue the automatic deduction, but if not, please join @ www.swcs.org/join 800-THE-SOIL. I can send you a membership form, if mailing a check is easier for you.

Remember....

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Sincerely,

Claudia Stevenson
Membership Chair

Sample Membership Form – 2020 version

Soil and Water Conservation Society Membership Form

Instructions: Please complete, print, and return with payment to SWCS, 945 SW Ankeny Rd, Ankeny, IA 50023.

Name* *For Conservation Community Memberships, please provide a primary contact.

Company/Organization

Home ☐ Office ☐ Street Address

City State/Province ZIP/Postal

Phone

Email



Individual Membership Levels	Please select how you would like to receive the <i>Journal of Soil and Water Conservation</i> .	Conservation Community Membership Levels
<input type="radio"/> \$115 Conservationist	<input type="radio"/> Online <input type="radio"/> Print*	<input type="radio"/> \$230 Conservation Community Member <i>Soil and Water Conservation Districts, university extension offices, local governments, and not-for-profits that serve a geographic area smaller than a state are eligible.</i>
<input type="radio"/> \$180 Leader	<input type="radio"/> Online <input type="radio"/> Print*	<input type="radio"/> \$500 Conservation Community Member <i>Not-for-profit organizations that serve a state or larger geographic region are eligible.</i>
<input type="radio"/> \$275 President's Club	<input type="radio"/> Online <input type="radio"/> Print*	
<input type="radio"/> \$40 Student—Students automatically receive the online version of the <i>Journal of Soil and Water Conservation</i> . Students, please provide your anticipated graduation month and year: <input type="text"/>		Please indicate the number of office employees: <input type="text"/>

Additional Options

☐ \$40 I would like BOTH the Online and Print access to the *Journal of Soil and Water Conservation*.

☐ \$30 *International postage (if receiving printed Journal outside the United States).

☐ I would like to participate in the USDA payroll deductions program.
(\$115 level = \$4.42/pay period, \$180 level = \$6.92/pay period, \$275 level = \$10.58/pay period)

Total: All memberships are for 12 months from date of payment.

Payment Options

- ☐ I want to pay by check. I will include a check for the above amount, payable to SWCS, in US funds on a US Bank.
- ☐ Please charge the above total amount to my:
- ☐ Visa ☐ Mastercard ☐ American Express

Account # Exp. Date Verification #

Signature

Return this form with your payment to the address listed above.

Other ways to join: online at www.swcs.org/join, by phone at 515-289-2331 ext 118, or email memberservices@swcs.org.

Foundation Brochure

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Ways to Give



Cash



Memorials



Stocks and Bonds



Real Estate



Will and Estate Planning



Life Insurance



Land



Memorial Cards



Tribute Cards

Nebraska

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Water
Conservation**

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*The Nebraska Soil and Water Conservation
Foundation is registered and classified by the
IRS as a 501 (c) (3) organization*

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Nebraska



Soil and Water Conservation Foundation

"...an investment in conservation and the
advancement of related technologies that
help Nebraska develop, promote,
maintain and manage its natural
resources..."



F. - Continued

Purpose

The Foundation was created in 1988 to provide financial and professional support for the mission of the Soil and Water Conservation Society in Nebraska. The Foundation's purpose is to promote and support special activities in education, public information and research.

Financial Support

The Foundation encourages financial support from everyone who wants to invest in the future of our soil, water, air, plant and animal life...our natural resources.

Activities and programs supported by the Foundation include, but are not limited to...

- Youth Achievement Awards
- Public seminars on land and water quality issues
- Scholarships for college
- Educational workshops, programs and activities.

Foundation: A Partner

As a partner of the Nebraska Chapter - Soil and Water Conservation Society, the Foundation provides funding to enhance and expand the programs, projects and services of the Chapter. A monetary gift or endowment to the Foundation is an investment in conserving soil and water, and developing technologies that help Nebraska manage its resources.

You Can Help

There are many ways you can support the Foundation. Cash gifts are always welcome. It is possible to specify a single purpose for the donation, such as scholarships or general program needs.

Packets of Memorial and Tribute cards are available to express your feelings to others while supporting the Foundation and what it stands for and promotes.

Memorials, contributions for special occasions and tax-advantaged gifts are appropriate ways to help. You can also designate the foundation in a will. Some people have already made the foundation a beneficiary of a life insurance policy.

The Foundation will also accept real assets such as land and stocks and bonds. These donations may have some tax advantages. Your financial planner can help you.

Learn More About the Chapter

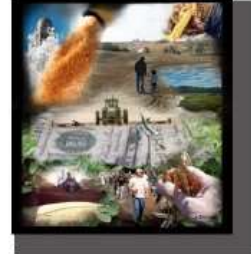
and Foundation at:

www.nebraskaswcs.org



Contact the Foundation

All you need to do is return this form or contact one of the Board Members (see back panel) directly by mail, phone or email:



I am interested in learning more about how I can invest in the natural resources of Nebraska through support of the Nebraska Soil and Water Conservation Foundation.

Name

Address

City

State/Zip