

# WASHINGTON CONSERVATION SOCIETY

## 2025 Annual Report

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The Washington Conservation Society (WCS), formed in 2007, is a 501(c)(3) whose mission is to promote natural resource conservation efforts in Washington State by providing a philanthropic center for investments in citizen-led, voluntary-based conservation projects, activities, education, and outreach efforts.

**FY25 Activities:** During this past fiscal year, WCS awarded five education mini-grants, totaling \$2,500, to support statewide natural resource education programs. In addition, we continued to use our 501(c)(3) status to support districts by acting as a pass-through entity for grants and donations. This past year, we helped districts secure an additional \$11,500. WCS also awarded a Conservation Futures Scholarship of \$1,000 to Haley Chisam from Entiat, WA, who is attending the University of Idaho, pursuing a degree in Natural Resources.

This year's Leaving a Legacy book will see the induction of six new members. This year's inductees include Harriet Berg, South Yakima CD; Lynn Brown, Kittitas Co. Conservation District; Gail Thornton, North Yakima CD; Jim Newhouse, South Yakima CD; Paul Newell, Underwood CD; and Tom McKern, Stevens Co. CD.

This year, we will be honoring two conservationists in our state by inducting them into the Creating a Legacy program. The award winner will be announced at the WACD Annual Meeting in Spokane on Monday night at the awards banquet.

If you are interested in learning more about the Society, please contact one of our Area Directors below:

President, Larry Davis (Whatcom CD) - Northwest Director

Vice President, Doug Rushton (Thurston CD) - Southwest Director

Secretary-Treasurer, Heather Wendt (WACD) - South Central Director

VACANT - Northeast Director

John McLean (Foster Creek CD) - North Central Director

Jerry Hendrickson (Asotin CD) - Southeast Director



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