

Make Every Day Earth Day!

Tips from MCF



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Become a Land Steward

Land preservation is one of the only things in life that is permanent. Become a Land Steward and protect land forever by [joining our monthly giving program](#) for as little as \$5/month.

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Preserve Land

If you are a landowner, [contact us](#) to explore ways to [preserve your land](#) now or through your estate plans, with options to retain your rights to live on, work, farm, hunt, fish, restrict access, and pass down your land to your heirs.

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Volunteer

[Contact MCF](#) for educational outreach and habitat restoration volunteer opportunities, such as twice a week volunteer days at [Jackson Woods Park](#) in Long Branch.

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Leave No Trace

When enjoying the outdoors, carry in and take out your necessities. Take only photographs and leave only footprints.

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Prioritize Our Parks

Monmouth has one of the best [County park systems](#) in the country, and we are proud to have played a role in preserving ¼ of its 18,000-acre footprint to date. Take advantage of its diverse open spaces, park and recreation areas, facilities, programs, and services.

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Support Local Farmers

[Grown in Monmouth](#) is a one-stop source for farm products and services like farmers markets, pick your own, nursery and garden centers, honey, and cut flowers.

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Drink Local

[Brewed & Distilled in Monmouth](#) features the breweries, distilleries, and wineries in Monmouth County, many of which use local agricultural resources and lands.

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Compost

Reduce landfill waste and create a natural fertilizer by composting grass clippings, leaves, yard and tree trimmings, food scraps, crop residues, and animal manure.

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Recapture Rainwater

Consider using a rain barrel or cistern to collect rainwater for reuse; install a rain garden or swale on your property to capture and slow runoff or filter rainwater and replenish groundwater.

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Plant Native

Choosing [native plants](#) for your garden or yard supports local wildlife, restores biodiversity, helps improve soil health, and prevents erosion, while conserving water, reducing the need for chemicals, building climate resilience, and adding beauty.