



COASTAL SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

The Coastal Soil and Water Conservation District (CSWCD), was established in 1937 by Georgia General Assembly along with thirty-nine other districts, with the sole purpose of protecting, conserving, and improving the soil and water resources of the State of Georgia. The CSWCD is recognized on the state level as one of the most productive and outstanding districts in Georgia. In August 2023, CSWCD was honored at the GACD Annual meeting as “District of the Year”.

Each of the 40 Conservation Districts receive some state funding to help provide educational programs to promote increased awareness of the importance of soil and water conservation within our district. However, with the continued growth of population in the CSWCD and changes in land use patterns, the district has to reach outside for additional funding which includes grants and donations to meet the needs of our mission “to implement soil and water conservation practices and continue to teach and educate the importance of conservation of our natural resources.”

To give you an idea of the conservation programs and outreach education the district provides yearly are as follows:

- The district covers five counties with 93 public, private, and charter schools, we offer educational awareness programs on the importance of preserving our natural resources.
- The district sponsors registration fees and scholarships to rising 10th, 11th, and 12th grade students to attend Nature Resources Conservation Workshop(NRCW) held at Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College (ABAC) in Tifton, Georgia. This workshop provides hands-on classes focused on the value and protection, and conservation in Georgia’s wildlife, forestry, soil, and water resources which include conservation in Georgia’s mining industry. Participating students can compete for scholarships to further their education.
- In the last year, the district has hosted the following workshops to encourage new and innovative ideas for our landowners and training for our county and city staff:
- Forestry Training, Feral Swine Control, Urban Agriculture, Soil Health, Erosion and Sediment Training, and Estate Planning.

As our district population increases, we need to expand our capabilities to provide educational outreach programs and this is where we need your support to help the district further our educational outreach. A contribution would help the district increase our educational outreach programs and support the district’s agenda of protecting, conserving, and improving our natural resources.

Attached is a copy of the 2023 Affiliate Membership Form for this fiscal year. Upon receipt of your tax-deductible donation, we will mail you a letter of confirmation for your tax files. Again, on behalf of Coastal Soil and Water Conservation District we thank you for considering our request for a contribution and look forward to working with you on preserving our natural resources.

Respectfully Yours,

Coastal Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisors

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