

THE LAND



**PRAIRIE STATE
CONSERVATION
COALITION**

A Collective Voice for Land Conservation In Illinois



Our Mission:

To unite and strengthen the land and water conservation community throughout the state of Illinois

The statewide conservation community includes conservation land trusts, local and state conservation agencies, and other public and private organizations where land and watershed conservation are part of their mission.



IS OUR
HERITAGE

Our Board of Directors

PSCC's Board of Directors helps guide and grow our mission. They share their time, talents, and connections to strengthen the coalition, support land trusts, and expand conservation across Illinois.

[Get to know them on our website.](#)



Strategic Plan 2024-2026

Our 2024-2026 Strategic Plan is a guide for us to focus on communities throughout Illinois offering diverse perspectives on past, present, and future land stewardship. Our goal is to nurture restorative relationships with both the land and people.

[View the full booklet on our website.](#)

Our Vision

The vision of the Prairie State Conservation Coalition is to foster and lead a diverse, statewide conservation community that:

- Understands the pivotal role land preservation and stewardship plays in mitigating the effects of climate change and its impact to the natural landscape and its inhabitants;
- Possesses the skills, capacity, connections, and energy to adapt preservation strategies to protect and steward Illinois' valuable biodiversity and natural resources;
- Embraces diversity, justice, equity, inclusion, and accessibility at all levels as critical principles for success and connecting people to the land.



Committees

Advancement Committee

Chair: [Allison Frederick](#)

The Advancement Committee’s purpose is to build and sustain a vibrant, inclusive development program that secures the resources and relationships necessary to support PSCC. The committee works to strengthen fundraising, expand membership, and engage diverse partners, ensuring that the coalition has a strong foundation of support to advance its mission across Illinois.

Annual Meeting Committee

2026 Conference Co-Chair: [Sarah Livesay](#)

The Annual Meeting Committee’s purpose is to provide the platform for an annual training conference and yearly member meeting to update members and the conservation community on PSCC business and current projects by conservation entities statewide and beyond.

Board Development Committee

Chair: [Jim Johansen](#)

The Board Development Committee’s purpose is to build and maintain a strong, engaged, knowledgeable, effective, and diverse board that reflects the statewide social and environmental landscape in which PSCC works.

Policy Committee

Co-chairs: [Fran Harty](#), [Lindsay Keeney](#), [Amy Doll](#)

The purpose of the PSCC Policy Committee is to identify policy barriers at all levels of government and collaborate with members and partners to advance practical solutions. The committee works to strengthen the policy environment for land conservation, amplify the collective voice of the coalition, and ensure that public policies support and enable conservation efforts across Illinois.





Midewin National Tallgrass Prairie



Indian Ridge Marsh, The Wetlands Initiative

Membership

By becoming a member of PSCC, you join other organizations across the state of Illinois who are dedicated to preserving our natural resources for generations to come! Members enjoy discount registration for our annual meeting, training and education opportunities, and join a network to share experiences with like-minded conservationists. Use the buttons below to access digital resources that can be easily shared:

[Membership Webpage](#)

[Membership Video](#)

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