



2021-2022

# IMPACT REPORT

*Cultivating the Next Generation of River Conservation  
Empowering People to Protect their Water  
Building Our Impact*



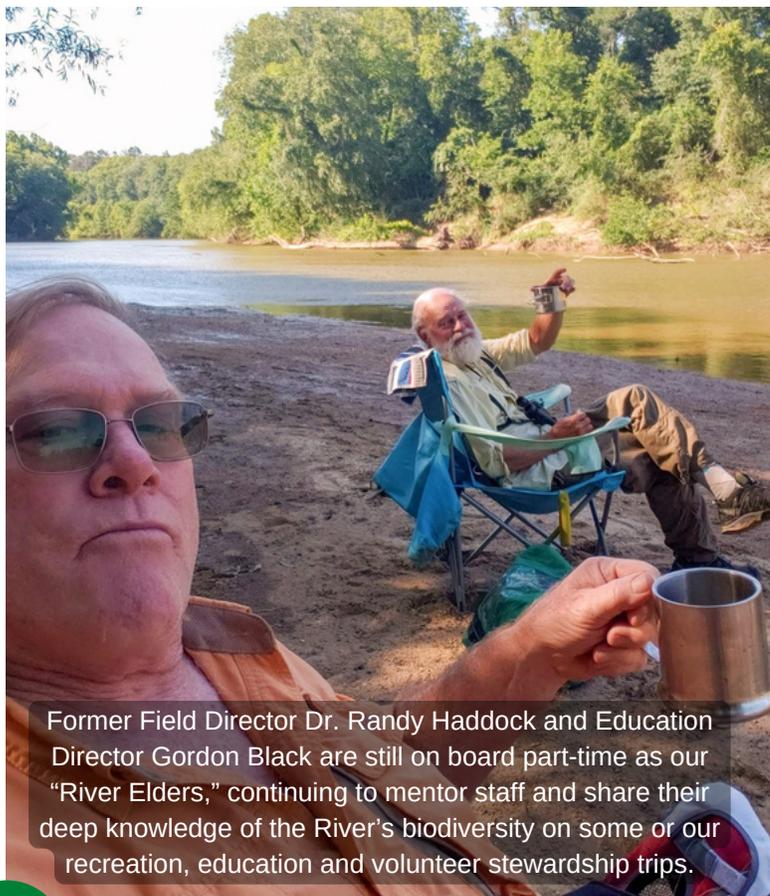
# GROWING CAHABA RIVER SOCIETY INTO THE FUTURE



## Young leaders are crushing it!

Encouraging diverse young people to become leaders for water is core to our work at Cahaba River Society. Our CLEAN Education program connects young people with their water resources, and our Volunteer Stewardship program allows them to put their knowledge into action. Our many internships and part-time positions also create early career opportunities.

Cahaba River Society (CRS) is grateful for the staff and volunteers who have been with us for many years. While our long-time senior staff retire to part-time positions and keep their wisdom on our team, we are excited to have young leaders join CRS so that we can reorganize and focus staff roles for our biggest program priorities for the River.



Former Field Director Dr. Randy Haddock and Education Director Gordon Black are still on board part-time as our “River Elders,” continuing to mentor staff and share their deep knowledge of the River’s biodiversity on some of our recreation, education and volunteer stewardship trips.

Education Director Gordon Black, built our CLEAN, Volunteer Stewardship and Recreation programs to have a major impact by connecting communities to the Cahaba for 15 years. His retirement and transition to part-time River Guide in 2022 created an opportunity for two of his mentees, La'Tanya Scott and Wil Rainer, to take leadership positions at CRS, expanding our program capacity.

Dr. Randy Haddock, who retired in 2020, had been with CRS since 1990. He brought a unique scientific curiosity to a legacy of accomplishments ranging from reducing sewer overflows to improving stormwater management and documenting biodiversity and urban impacts to the River, all while educating the public and decision makers.

When Dr. Haddock retired to part-time Science Director Emeritus, CRS hired Ben Wegleitner as River Sustainability Director. In his role, Ben brings an enhanced focus to CRS's work with local governments, developers and residents to reduce stormwater impacts, which protect the Cahaba and our drinking water. Learn more about Ben on page 8.

# SUCCESSFUL SUCCESSIONS

## Teaching youth to be brave in nature

La'Tanya "LT" Scott exemplifies the pathway to leadership that CRS creates. She found CRS when her class at Miles College participated in a CLEAN field trip. She loved the experience so much that she joined the outing again the next year, and the next, and by the end of her senior year in 2014, as she was completing her environmental science degree, CRS hired her as a CLEAN field educator. In 2022, she stepped up to become Education Director.

La'Tanya is a skilled outdoor educator and role model who strengthens CRS's outreach and service to urban schools and youth of color. Her love of the River, knowledge and boundless enthusiasm have led thousands of students to shed their fears and embrace the wonders of the Cahaba. She has also co-chaired the CRS Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Committee and serves on numerous nonprofit boards and junior boards.

CLEAN has developed a national profile, and LT has been invited to speak at many events, including ADEM's statewide Nonpoint Source Pollution Conference as well as national conferences including Color the Crag Climbing Festival, River Network's River Rally, and the Washington, D.C. celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Clean Water Act. In Washington, she was invited to speak at American University on "Raising Awareness and Engagement Through Community Action." As part of this full day symposium, our CLEAN program was featured in the film *Upstream, Downriver*. Learn more about La'Tanya's contributions to CLEAN on page 6.



*Education Director La'Tanya Scott*

## Guiding people to be river stewards

Wil Rainer is our CRS Field Programs Director who leads volunteers in river and forest restoration for our Stewardship Program and guides river paddling trips for our Recreation and CLEAN Environmental Education Programs.

Holding a Bachelor's in Natural Resources from Sewanee: The University of the South, Wil brings skills from years of paddling rivers and a range of previous positions in North Carolina and Colorado as an outdoor guide, forestry and native plant specialist and field team manager. Before CRS, Wil worked at Osprey Initiative where he managed Litter Gitter devices to remove and recycle thousands of pounds of trash from waterways in the Birmingham and Atlanta areas.

Wil joined CRS in April 2021 as part of the Stewardship Field Team of interns. He worked closely with former Education Director Gordon Black and La'Tanya in the CLEAN Environmental Education Program. He managed invasive plants, eradicated taro among the lilies and researched for a Landowner's Guide to preserving riverfront properties. When Gordon retired, it was clear Wil could continue CRS's tradition of trained leadership to ensure safe, enjoyable experiences on the Cahaba. His creative ideas have already expanded the impacts and volunteer participation in our river restoration projects – read more on page 10.



*Field Programs Director Wil Rainer*

# DEEPENING OUR WORK FOR WATER EQUITY

## Equity, diversity and inclusion

Through our extensive **Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI)** process, CRS is able to combine each element to explore how to best advance water equity. The equity paths we choose allow us to discover the diversity needed within our organization, program partners and constituents to conduct effective and authentic work, while also promoting the inclusivity necessary among our participants and leaders.

## Understanding and leading EDI

Our 21-member EDI Committee of board, staff, junior board, and community leaders is diverse in race, age and economic circumstances and has been meeting monthly since 2020. CRS's guiding EDI Mission Statement is at [cahabariversociety.org/edi](http://cahabariversociety.org/edi).

Leaders from many demographics and communities from Birmingham to the Black Belt have joined our EDI meetings to share their knowledge and perspective on water equity. They help us answer: What priority water equity issues should CRS pursue within our mission and capacity? What water equity work are we already doing, and how can we broaden our equity impact in ways that also strengthen our partners?

In 2022, the EDI Committee delivered an in-depth report to the CRS Board exploring how CRS can better advance water equity across our programs. We led discussions that aligned board and staff around our roles and priorities for water equity work and began crafting an action plan for achieving our EDI intentions through our programs to further build the diversity of our organization and the people we serve. Learn more about our diverse leadership at [cahabariversociety.org/about-us/board](http://cahabariversociety.org/about-us/board)

## Water equity in action

While we learn, we act. We believe access to safe, affordable drinking water is a human right. In 2021, we participated in **River Network's** national "boot camp" training with **SWEET Alabama** and **Dynamite-Smithfield Community Land Trust**. We learned about equitable water infrastructure programs and financing. With **Alabama Rivers Alliance**, we have researched funding from the federal infrastructure bill to help historically under-resourced communities. We want these populations to have a shot at accessing this unprecedented level of investment for water, sewer and stormwater upgrades as well as replacement of lead service lines to prevent lead poisoning.



## WATER EQUITY

encompasses issues like access to safe and affordable drinking water, access to nature, and access to adequate sewer and stormwater infrastructure – needs that intersect with public health, life potential, education, jobs and civic engagement.

## WATER EQUITY PRESENTERS TO CRS EDI COMMITTEE

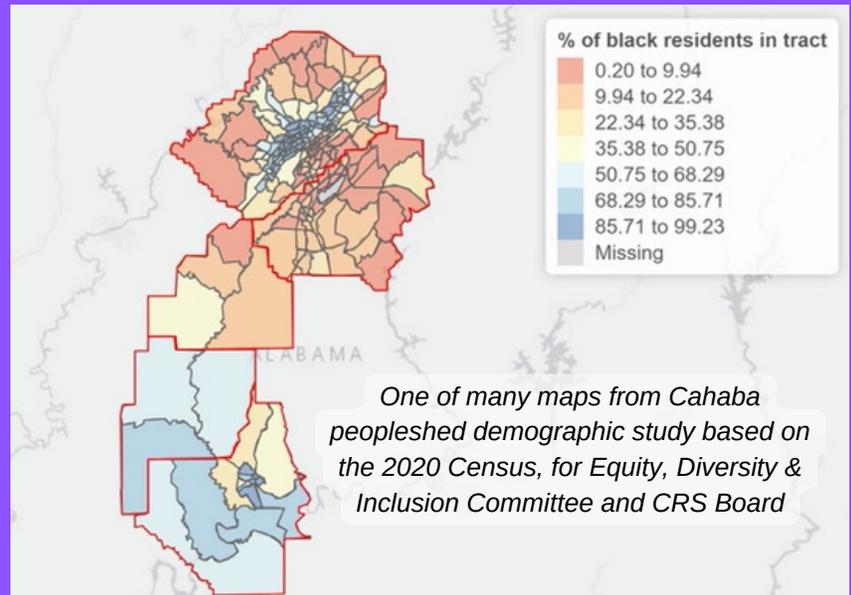
- J. Mason Davis, Partner, Sirote & Permutt, civil rights attorney, civic leader, recipient of the NAACP Lifetime Achievement Award in Human and Civil Rights
- T. Marie King, Jones Valley Teaching Farm
- Raquel Vasquez, ¡HICA! (Hispanic Interest Coalition of Alabama)
- Mayor Dexter Hinton, City of Marion, Dallas County
- Alabama State Representative Neil Rafferty, House District 54
- Marilyn Roberts, Executive Director, Village Creek Society
- Direcus Cooper, Stormwater Program Manager, City of Birmingham
- Seth Penn, Governmental Affairs Liason for the Cherokee Tribe of Northeast Alabama and Southeast Coordinator for the Indian Nation's Conservation Alliance
- Cory Pettway, CRS Junior Board, Alabama Rivers Alliance Board President, Birmingham activist
- Reverend Majadi Baruti, Dynamite Hill-Smithfield Community Land Trust
- Rob Burton, SWEET Alabama
- Emily Magda & Ashling Landers, UAB Policy & Advocacy Interns, Alabama Rivers Alliance

## Our Diverse Peopleshed

CRS aims to serve all in our “peopleshed” who benefit from and impact the Cahaba in Jefferson, Shelby, Bibb, Perry and Dallas counties.

Dr. Peter VanZandt of Birmingham-Southern College helped CRS analyze the most recent Census data to understand in detail the income, race, age and educational demographics of our peopleshed. This guides our goals for diversity of program participants, Board, staff, and partners.

Overall, our service population identify as 37.4% Black, 56.6% white, 4.3% Hispanic (likely an undercount), and 1.7% Asian, Indigenous, and HIPI. African-Americans are the majority of residents in the City of Birmingham and in Perry and Dallas counties. Our service area has huge income disparities, having counties with the highest and lowest median household incomes in Alabama – Shelby (\$77,799) and Perry (\$23,447).

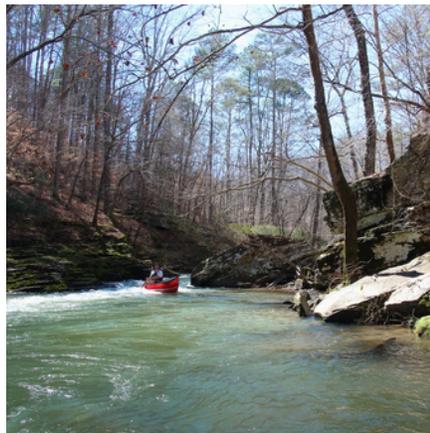


## FINDING JOY TOGETHER ON THE RIVER

CRS’s Recreation Program sustained many people through the pandemic and is still going strong, guiding over 230 guests on Cahaba canoe tours in 2022. We paddled through cypress and tupelo swamps of oxbow backwaters, among Cahaba lilies on the popular Upper Cahaba stretch in the Cahaba National Wildlife Refuge, along the remote path of the Little Cahaba, and under the moonlit sky with the owls just minutes away from the Birmingham Metro Area at Highway 280.

One of our aims for 2023 is to bring even more guests to experience the remoteness of the Lower Cahaba. In October, we enjoyed a beautifully clear night on Barton’s Beach in Perry County during our annual canoe camping trip. One of the participants was an astrophysicist-educator who took us on a journey through the Milky Way and into space as we gazed at the stars from the comfort of our fireside seats.

We also helped individuals plan their own trips along the Cahaba. The **Cahaba Blueway** is a water trail and one-stop Cahaba River trip planning tool with an interactive map of river access points that we have developed in collaboration with our partners. Check it out online at [CahabaBlueway.org](http://CahabaBlueway.org) and use it to plan your next adventure.



RESERVE YOUR SPOT ON A GUIDED CANOE TRIP AT [WWW.CAHABARIVERSOCIETY.ORG/CANOE](http://WWW.CAHABARIVERSOCIETY.ORG/CANOE)

# INSPIRING YOUTH TO BE BRAVE IN NATURE

## Shane Hulsey CLEAN Environmental Education Program

CLEAN has brought over 42,000 youth into the Cahaba since its start in 1996. We offer stream walks, canoe trips and service-learning projects for students in third grade through college. This hands-on, feet-wet environmental education program serves diverse young people – it inspires their interest in environmental science, opens doors to environmental career paths, and empowers people to protect their community waters.

During the pandemic, we pivoted to meet the needs of students and educators through remote learning by offering virtual programs. Like so many educators, we faced many challenges upon a return to in-person programs. However, in 2022, we celebrated regaining our pre-pandemic levels of service, delivering education programs in the River and the classroom to over 2,000 students and teachers!

## CLEAN PROGRAM IMPACTS 2022

2,007

students & teachers served  
in the River & the classroom

46%

of participants  
were people of  
color

29%

of programs served youth  
from economically  
disadvantaged communities



**We met our goals!** Despite 24 trip cancellations by schools, for reasons such as teacher turnover, lack of funds for buses and lunches, and other obstacles, **we still delivered 56 CLEAN programs!** To overcome these barriers, we are building partnerships with organizations such as **Outdoor Afro Birmingham**, bus services and food companies. Watch our website for CLEAN sponsorship opportunities to help students experience nature learning without limits.



For the first time, **the racial demographics of the youth we served mirrored those of our peopleshed** of Jefferson, Shelby, Bibb, Perry and Dallas counties. Our outreach to Black Belt schools and youth organizations yields opportunities to expand CLEAN offerings in that area.



An in-depth review of CLEAN with the **Alabama STEM Council** yielded our plan to develop **updated CLEAN curricula by grade, a program evaluation process and improved website** to help us continue to improve CLEAN for the needs of diverse youth.

# INSPIRING YOUTH TO BE BRAVE IN NATURE

Cahaba River Society hosts our first BioBlitz at Camp Fletcher  
*Citizen-Science, arts and education BioBlitz will become an annual event*

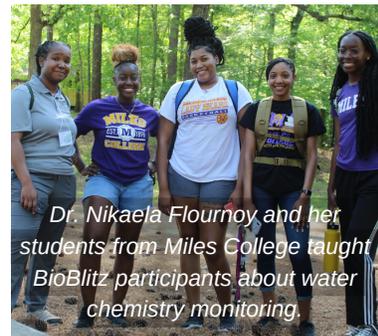


*Our Camp Fletcher BioBlitz hosted over 150 participants – including scientists, naturalists, students, and educators representing 20 partner organizations – who made over 600 observations of more than 350 animal and plant species in seven hours.*

"Camp Fletcher is a place close to our hearts," said CRS Education Director La'Tanya Scott, who worked there as a counselor during her days at Miles College and led our first BioBlitz there in Spring 2022.

Founded in 1926 by Pauline Bray Fletcher, Alabama's first Black registered nurse, Camp Fletcher was created to give Black children opportunities to explore nature and the outdoors through a summer camp experience. Today, it continues to provide experiences to diverse youth at its camp situated in a nature preserve encompassing 300 acres of old growth forest on Shades Creek in Bessemer.

BioBlitz participants enjoyed wildlife viewing, nature art, story-telling workshops, and CLEAN education while learning about Camp Fletcher and its history. The event was so successful that we plan to hold an Earth Month BioBlitz each year around the watershed to help Cahaba communities learn more about the natural wonders of their environment.



*Dr. Nikaela Flournoy and her students from Miles College taught BioBlitz participants about water chemistry monitoring.*

## A bridge to environmental careers

CRS creates early environmental career opportunities through our many internships and part-time staff positions supporting our CLEAN, Stewardship, Recreation, and River Sustainability Programs and communications, special events, and policy advocacy. Our interns receive meaningful, real-world experience and build career connections as they have opportunities to work with our outstanding staff, board of directors, and partners.

It is especially important to us to be a bridge to opportunities for young people of color, so that the environmental professionals safeguarding our water resources represent the people in our communities.

CRS hosted intern teams in 2020-2022 thanks to support from from the **Little Garden Club, Garden Clubs of America, The Curtis and Edith Munson Foundation, and Sewanee: The University of the South.**



*CRS supports college class projects, such as a team study by UAB Public Health students Azka Aleezada, Jaiden Hatch, Am-ya Love (left to right) and Elliott Burnett (not pictured) to research health impacts on children from lead in drinking water.*

Intern projects included invasive species research and removal, native forest restoration, litter cleanup and recycling, researching science about river buffer zones and floodplains for a guide to help landowners and developers protect their riverbanks and native forests, researching the River's indigenous history and archaeology, and developing communications plans and products to promote events such as the Cahaba River Fry-Down.

# EMPOWERING PEOPLE TO PROTECT THEIR WATER

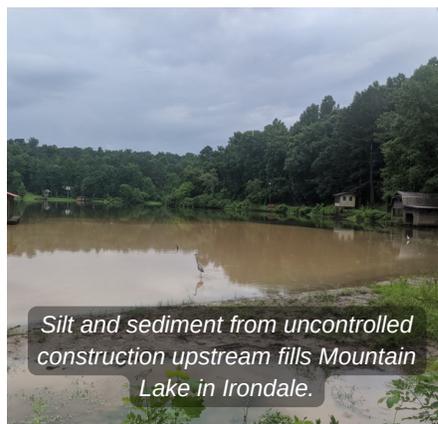
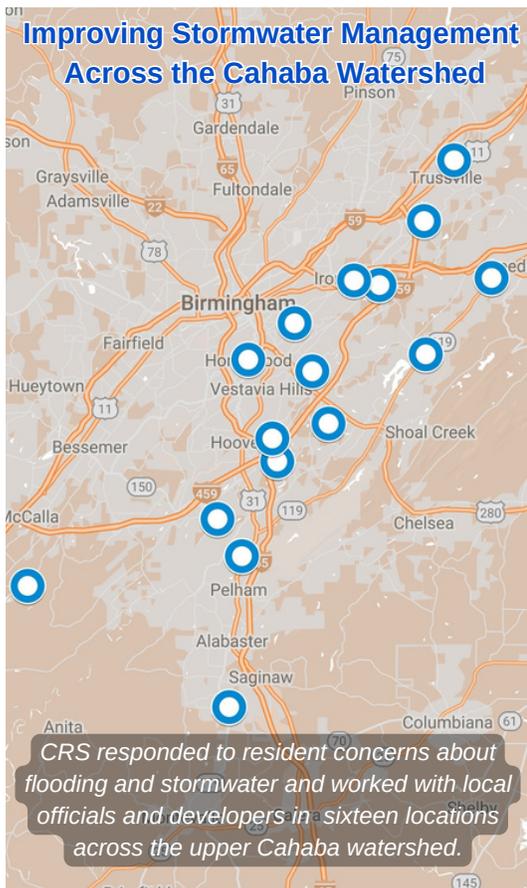
CRS works to restore the Cahaba River and safeguard our drinking water through policy and project advocacy for water-sustaining urban development, green infrastructure, clean and abundant water, biodiverse wildlife, and healthy communities.

## Expanding our River Sustainability impact *Helping people deal with increasing impacts of stormwater*

Stormwater – and the intense erosion it causes – is the biggest threat to the long-term sustainability of the River.

We're seeing major changes to the flow regime and streambank stability of the Cahaba because of increased stormwater runoff and less groundwater recharge. This increased stormwater is causing more frequent and intense flooding, collapsed banks and low water during drought.

To counter the impacts of urbanization, CRS focuses on collaboration and education for improved development design, protective stormwater management policies, and urban retrofits using green infrastructure and nature-based solutions to reduce flooding and damage.



River Sustainability Director Ben Wegleitner came on board in April 2021, bringing 12 years of experience in stormwater design and education, river ecology, and watershed planning.

A transplant from Lafayette, Indiana, Ben has worked with homeowners, businesses, cities, and Purdue University for education and practical approaches to solve stormwater and drainage issues. He worked on water quality, land use and watershed planning, stakeholder engagement, and fisheries issues throughout the Great Lakes Basin.

Ben holds a Master's degree in conservation biology, and his experience and research in fisheries management, invasive species, and water resources allows him to view water quality issues within broader biological and ecological contexts.

Learn more about Ben at [cahabariversociety.org](http://cahabariversociety.org).

The sentiment, "Love thy downstream neighbor," is needed now more than ever. Stormwater runoff from impervious surfaces is flooding downstream properties, and sediment from active construction sites is filling in residential lakes and ponds. CRS has been assisting and empowering residents and officials in sixteen Cahaba and Shades Creek communities to work together to enforce zoning and building ordinances designed to protect people and their waterways.

# EMPOWERING PEOPLE TO PROTECT THEIR WATER

## New Urban Rivers Restoration Partnership

For years, CRS has focused on better stormwater design in new development. Together with The Nature Conservancy (TNC), we've launched a new Urban Rivers Restoration Partnership to address stormwater and river damage in urban and developed areas, where stormwater infrastructure is old, outdated or non-existent. By retrofitting these areas with green infrastructure and stormwater management solutions, we can address historic flooding and streambank damage caused by excess runoff. CRS and new staff at TNC will secure partners and federal infrastructure funds for projects in the headwaters of the Cahaba and Black Warrior Rivers in metro Birmingham.

Under this partnership, CRS will continue to collaborate with cities, citizens and developers for improved stormwater policies and design. We'll also be tasked with leading community volunteers to assist with project installation.



## Riverside Chat with JC3

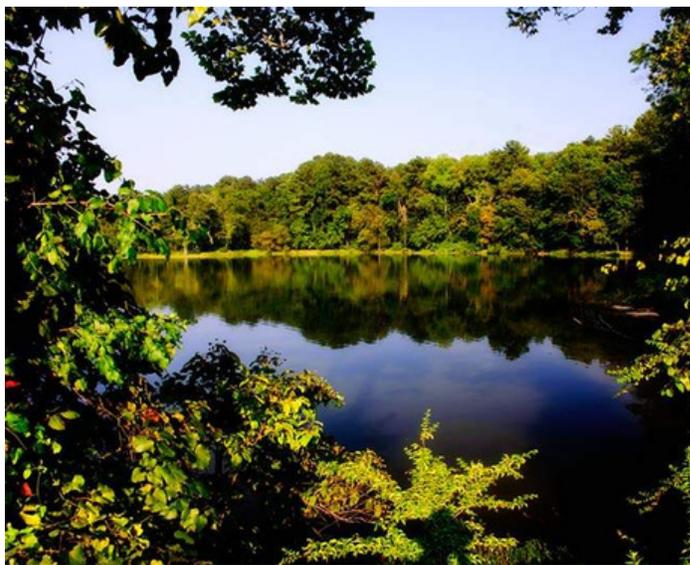
To kick off our Urban Rivers Restoration Partnership, CRS and TNC presented regional stormwater management planning, design and funding options to the Jefferson County Councilors Coalition (JC3). JC3 is a cooperation of city councilors from more than 12 municipalities on regional issues like trash collection, trail networks and stormwater. We had a fruitful discussion about collaborative solutions to flooding and stormwater, and we had multiple communities interested in engaging further to help with project prioritization.

## Birmingham Water Works Board update

CRS and Cahaba Riverkeeper took legal action after years of asking to collaborate with the Birmingham Water Works Board to formally record a valid conservation easement that would permanently protect the properties surrounding Lake Purdy, the Little Cahaba River and the Cahaba River.

Our goal is to protect the drinking water source and prevent the sale of the land to development interests. The board committed to this action in a 2001 legal settlement agreement, but it did not follow through. Represented by Southern Environmental Law Center, our legal case is entering a new phase.

Our case can now go to trial after the Alabama Supreme Court unanimously ruled in our favor, holding that we have viable claims that the Board has not adopted a legal conservation easement on the property under Alabama law. The trial is currently scheduled for summer 2023. In the meantime, we are in the discovery phase to understand what evidence may be presented on both sides, and we are continuing to seek negotiated solutions.



*Protecting this land permanently remains the most cost-effective way to safeguard drinking water quality for Birmingham metro communities and to keep treatment costs affordable for current and future generations. Source water protection by way of land preservation is commonplace for water utilities around the nation.*

# TAPPING INTO VOLUNTEER POWER

## Vision for moving forward...

Under the leadership of Field Programs Director Wil Rainer, we kept our amazing partners from previous years and added some new ones. Student-led **CleanHoover** collected nearly 1,000 pounds of trash from Patton Creek in two days, **Cahaba Brewing** widened our reach to more volunteers, and a student from **Jefferson County International Baccalaureate** gained experience in trail maintenance and sparked an idea for after-school volunteering.

This fall, we offered mid-week volunteer hours for working adults and for students applying for entrance to schools and programs. Native plant propagation, seed collection, nature signage, real-world experience with water retention in landscape design projects, and more are offerings of the CRS Stewardship Program and its partners.



After school volunteers from **Homewood Environmental Club** pick up trash along Shades Creek.

## Shades Creek Bank Restoration

Over the past two years, **Friends of Shades Creek** has established a restoration site along the Shades Creek Greenway in Homewood. We have partnered to offer volunteer days removing invasive vegetation and installing livestakes. Using livestakes, cuttings of particularly robust and active vegetation, is a method of native revegetation and erosion control.

Participants had the opportunity to learn about the riverbed and riverbank damage caused by flash flooding. Restoring these native banks is one method of combatting erosion issues imperiling the world-renowned biodiversity of the Cahaba Watershed.



## 2022 VOLUNTEER STEWARDSHIP IMPACTS



384 VOLUNTEERS

38 FIELD WORK DAYS

The CRS Stewardship Crew of staff, interns, board and volunteers restored native vegetation to impacted streambanks, removed invasive species from the river and riverside forest, shored up eroded walking and biking trails, cleared sections of the river for paddlers, installed camping and anti-littering signage on public accesses, and documented biodiversity in the historically significant habitat.



## WE CLEANED OR RECYCLED:



2,830+ POUNDS OF LITTER



3,700+ CANS & BOTTLES



660+ POUNDS OF TIRES



3,000+ POUNDS OF  
INVASIVE SPECIES

# BUILDING COMMUNITY SUPPORT FOR THE CAHABA

## Waves of Change:

### Cities making an impact for the Cahaba

The **City of Irondale** is leading the way for environmental sustainability and making big waves of positive change through its \$25,000 grant, sponsored by Mayor James Stewart and the City Council. Their generous leadership has helped launch the expansion of our river restoration program, as part of our partnership with **The Nature Conservancy of Alabama**, for projects to repair river erosion. The grant also supports our CLEAN Program and Stewardship efforts in Irondale – we recently partnered with **Friends of Shades Creek** for their first cleanup of the Irondale stretch of Shades Creek, which cleared 400 pounds of trash!



*Irondale Mayor James Stewart collects litter at the Shades Creek cleanup. The Mayor and City Council also support Shades Creek and the Cahaba through protective initiatives and conservation land acquisition.*

### Big and small ways

Our donors and volunteers are the heart of our mission. Their meaningful gifts, no matter the size, make the difference – especially over time.



**Nick Isbell from Spire** is one such individual. He's led numerous volunteer restoration projects with our team over the past few years. Not only is he not afraid to get dirty to make an impact, but he's also helped raise support from Spire as a Fry-Team Leader for Fry-Down and an advocate for grant funding that has raised over \$13,000 over the past five years.



**STS Bus Service** is a generous local company that leads with heart by committing to provide a free bus each year to our CLEAN program. Local restaurants like **Milo's Hamburgers** and **Chik-fil-A** have also made an impact by donating lunches so that CLEAN can continue to serve under-resourced schools.



Our CRS members help make a big impact through small, manageable gifts each month through our **Sustained Giving Program**. Donors like **Hillary Burdette-Sapp** are able to turn a small recurring donation into a major annual contribution that helps lift up our CLEAN program, amplify our restoration efforts and increase our ability to fund our interns each year to support more youth pursuing environmental careers.

### What will be your legacy?

Legacy donors help provide the sustaining resources needed to restore and protect the Cahaba River watershed and its rich diversity of life for generations to come.

We are so grateful for the generous members of our **Waters from Above Legacy Program** and for the past generous bequests received from Sonja Cobb, F. Lewter Ferrell Jr., Carolyn King, Frank J. Nuckols, and Dr. George B. Whatley, whose gifts have helped us weather the challenging years during the height of the COVID pandemic and have now allowed us to buy a new hybrid truck for our CLEAN Program!



*Staff and board celebrate the arrival of our new hybrid truck to support our recreation, education, and stewardship programs.*

We welcome you to consider planned giving to continue to support the mission and impact of CRS through your legacy. Your planned gift will play a key role in the future of the Cahaba River through our work. Please contact Director of Development Casey Laycock at [caseyl@cahabariversociety.org](mailto:caseyl@cahabariversociety.org) to discuss planned giving options that might work for you. Consult with your legal and tax advisors regarding your specific situation. If you have already named Cahaba River Society in your estate plans, please let us know so we can recognize you as one of our newest members of the Waters from Above Legacy Program.

# BUILDING COMMUNITY SUPPORT FOR THE CAHABA

Back together in-person for Cahaba River Fry-Down



The Davis Architects Fry Team swept the 2022 competition, winning Crowd Favorite, Baddest Fish in the River (Best Overall), Champion of the Cahaba (Most Funds Raised), Fish with an Attitude (Most Creative), and Best Dressed (Best Presentation).

Over a thousand people came together to celebrate at the 13th annual Cahaba River Fry-Down catfish cook-off and festival on October 2, 2022, at Cahaba Brewing.

Fry-Down is the largest fundraiser of the year for CRS, and the event raised over \$74,000 to support our outdoor youth education program and our work to protect water quality, wildlife and our drinking water source.

Our 13th annual event featured a new and improved "Cahaba River Adventure" where guests could immerse themselves in an interactive art exhibit from Celeste Pfau, capture memories in a Cahaba photo booth, and visit educational exhibits from over a dozen of our partners.

## Beyond the main event – Cahaba Brewing partnerships

Cahaba Brewing not only hosts Fry-Down, but the company also contributes to CRS in other ways. A portion of the proceeds from sales of its Cahaba Lager in local grocery stores benefits CRS. Cahaba Brewing's impact grew over time as proceeds from these lagers have brought in several thousand dollars for CRS programs over the last few years.



Every August, Cahaba Brewing also hosts a fun weekly event called the Cahaba Goodwill Game Nights, which supports the work of CRS through proceeds collected those evenings. The game nights raised over \$2,000 for CRS in 2022. Bring your friends, meet our staff, board and junior board, and try to beat La'Tanya at bingo!

Apart from monetary donations, the incredible staff at Cahaba Brewing are dedicated to helping CRS and are willing to get their hands dirty. In September, they organized a Cahaba River Canoe Cleanup for their staff and patrons, and they encouraged volunteers to battle it out to win prizes for the most trash collected.

## Get your Save the Cahaba License Plate

Get your "Save the Cahaba" tag at your local licensing office when you buy or renew your tag. The \$50 added fee allows you to customize the tag, and \$41.25 goes directly to CRS to keep the Cahaba clean for future generations!

"Save the Cahaba" tags are available at any Alabama vehicle registration office in the county where you reside. You can purchase a tag anytime, regardless of your renewal month. These tags are also available for motorcycles and boats.



Director of Development Casey Laycock leads the charge on CRS fundraising efforts. Contact her for info on corporate partnerships, sponsorship opportunities, membership, planned giving and more!



Show your love for the Cahaba with custom art for your vehicle!

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