

# Welcome to the Baltimore STEW-MAP survey

STEW-MAP stands for the Stewardship Mapping and Assessment Project.

The goal of STEW-MAP is to understand who takes care of the environment, who they work with, and where they work. You are an important organization in Baltimore and your participation is important to understanding Baltimore's stewardship network.

Your organization may not focus primarily on the environment. Your organization may focus on housing, transportation, social services. However, your organization may still engage in caring for the environment in some fashion.

Your participation in STEW-MAP is completely voluntary. Your personal contact information will not be made public in any way; it will only be used to contact you if we have questions about information you provide on the survey. We are asking you to reply on behalf of your **entire organization**. The survey is estimated to take **15-20 minutes**. To read our OMB Burden Statement, visit: <https://www.nrs.fs.fed.us/nyc/survey/omb/>.

If you would prefer to answer the STEW-MAP survey questions on paper or over the phone, please contact [baltimore.stewardship@gmail.com](mailto:baltimore.stewardship@gmail.com).

To learn more about STEW-MAP, visit: <https://www.nrs.fs.fed.us/baltimore/focus/governance-engagement/stew-map/>.

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## STEW-MAP Survey

### Section 1: Contact information

Your personal information is confidential. We will not share your name, personal email, personal phone number, or other identifying information with anyone outside of the research team. We may contact you if we have questions about information you provide on this survey.

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Phone Number: (\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_\_

Your E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Are you a member of a group or organization?** (We define a group as having two or more members. This survey is intended for groups and organizations, not for individuals working alone, as sole proprietors, or as independent contractors.)

- Yes
- No

If you are a member of a group with multiple programs, please answer for your entire organization. If you are a respondent from a national organization, please answer for your local chapter.

If no, please stop taking the survey. Thank you for your time!

### Section 2: Basic information

If you are not able to answer all of the questions, please reach out to someone else in your group or organization and ask them to fill out the survey.

**Group Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **(required)**

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(with city/state/zip) \_\_\_\_\_

Website (if available): \_\_\_\_\_

Group E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Group Phone Number: (\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_\_

Social media handle(s): \_\_\_\_\_

May we include your group on the online stewardship map?

The information associated with your group on the map will be limited to your group on the map will be limited to group contact information and stewardship territory, which will be addressed later in the survey.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_

No \_\_\_\_\_

**Does your group do any of the following in the Baltimore region?** Please select all that apply.

- CONSERVE** or preserve the local environment (e.g. hold conservation easements, protect water)
- MANAGE** or take care of a place in the local environment (e.g. beautify, improve, or restore a garden, trees, yard; including trash or debris removal)
- RESTORE** or transform local habitat (e.g. daylighting a stream, establishing new forest)
- MONITOR** the quality of the local environment (e.g. air or water quality, dumping, species monitoring, citizen science)
- ADVOCATE** and/or plan for the local environment (e.g. planning, organizing, direct action, fundraising)
- EDUCATE** the public about the local environment (e.g. curriculum, research, science, training, outreach)
- Participate in, partner with groups, or support other environmental work.
- None of the above

**Of these functions, what is your primary stewardship activity?** (select one)

- CONSERVE
- MANAGE
- RESTORE
- MONITOR
- ADVOCATE
- EDUCATE

**What is your group's legal designation?**

Please choose the most appropriate response.

- 501(c)(3) (or has applied)
- 501 (c)(4) (or has applied)
- Group without 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) status (for example, a community garden group or block club)

- City/Local government agency
- County government agency
- State government agency
- Federal government agency
- Other government (e.g. Port Authority)
- School-affiliated group
- Religious congregation (church, synagogue, mosque, etc),but not a 501(c)(3)
- Private firm, for-profit business
- Other – please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**Section 3: Where your group works**

**Please describe in detail the boundaries of where your group has done stewardship work within the past year. Be as specific as possible and you can list multiple locations\*.**

*For example:*

- Druid Hill Park;*
- Baltimore County;*
- the 1800 block of Duncan Street;*
- The Chesapeake Bay;*
- along the Gwynns Falls Trail;*
- all of zip code 21226*

*\* If you have multiple programs in different sites or at different scales, please list each with corresponding programs (e.g. our education programs are citywide; we operate a compost facility at 417 E. Fayette St.)*

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**Does your group have a Geographic Information System (GIS) file showing the boundaries of where you have done stewardship work within the past year?**

- Yes (If you check here, the STEW-MAP research team will contact you about access to this information)
- No

**Please identify the Baltimore neighborhoods in which your group or organization works.**

Please select **all** neighborhoods where you do stewardship work.

These neighborhood names and boundaries are those used by the City and may differ from

other sources If you are unsure, please visit [this map](#) from the City of Baltimore to find your neighborhood: <https://data.baltimorecity.gov/Neighborhoods/Neighborhoods/5cni-ybar>.

*Note: This alphabetical list represents all 278 Baltimore neighborhoods. Please take the time to scroll through the entire list and choose every neighborhood where you do work. Grouping by neighborhood is an important aspect of describing where stewardship occurs in the city.*

**In the last year, what sites has your group's stewardship work focused on?**

Remember that stewardship includes conservation, management, monitoring, education, and advocacy.

Please choose all that apply.

**Water & Water-Related**

- Watershed / Sewershed
- Stream / River
- Waterfront / Beach / Shoreline
- Wetland

**Land & Built environment**

- Forest / Woodland
- Park
- Agricultural lands
- Community garden
- Urban farm
- Vacant land / Vacant lot
- Brownfield
- Athletic field
- Playground
- Dog run / dog park
- Botanical garden / Arboretum
- Bike trails / Greenway / Rail-trail
- Public right of way (Sidewalk, street ends, traffic island, public plaza, alleys)
- Street tree
- Flower box / planter
- Residential yard or building grounds (apartment courtyard, back yard, etc.)
- School yard / outdoor classroom
- Grounds of public building other than school (e.g. city hall, library, hospital, rec center)
- Building courtyard / atrium (e.g. privately owned public spaces)
- Rooftop

- Rain gardens, rain barrels, permeable pavement, bioswales
- Recreation center
- Green buildings
- Parking lots
- Other—please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**If you had to choose just one site type, what would you say is your group's *primary* site type?**

Please select one from list above.

**Who owns the majority of the properties where your group worked within the past year?**

Please choose one.

- City/Local government
- County government
- State government
- Federal government
- Other government (e.g. Port Authority)
- Private landowners
- Corporation (including joint ventures, real estate investment groups)
- Nonprofit
- We work across public and private lands
- Don't know
- Other – please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

## Section 4: Group characteristics

### What does your group work on?

Please choose all that apply.

- Animal related
- Arts, culture, creative practices
- Community improvement and capacity building
- Crime, criminal justice
- Economic development
- Education
- Emergency management and disaster response
- Employment, job training
- Energy efficiency
- Environment
- Faith-based activities
- Food
- Housing and shelter
- Human services (including day care, family services)
- International, foreign affairs, and national security
- Legal services, civil rights
- Power/electricity generation
- Private grantmaking foundation
- Public health (including mental health, crisis intervention, health care)
- Recreation and sports (including birding and fishing)
- Recycling / Compost / Re-use
- Research in science and/or technology
- Seniors
- Stormwater
- Toxics/pollution related
- Transportation

- Trash and litter (including illegal dumping, neighborhood cleanup)
- Trees
- Youth
- Other – please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**If you had to choose just one activity, what would you say is your group's *primary* focus?**  
Please select one from list above.

**Please describe the mission of your group. If you have a formal mission statement, please use that, otherwise use your own words to describe your group's goals: (200 words or less)**

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**Considering all of the programs, activities, and services your group works on, what percentage of your group's effort has been for environmental stewardship during the past year?**

Please select one.

- 0%
- 1-19%
- 20-39%
- 40-59%
- 60-79%
- 80-100%

**What year was your group founded?** \_\_\_\_\_

**How many staff, members, and volunteers does your group have?**

Note: for national groups please provide local information.

Full-time Staff: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Part-time Staff: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Members: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Regular Volunteers\*: \_\_\_\_\_

(\*Those who routinely volunteer in your group's activities. This is different from volunteers who may come out for a single work day.)

**Please estimate the total number of volunteer hours contributed per month.**

Hours: \_\_\_\_\_

**Section 5: Networking**

Please tell us about your group’s relationship to other groups. These groups may be government agencies, offices of elected officials, community-based groups, nonprofits, private companies, faith-based organizations, etc.

In each box, list as many partners as you would like, placing them on separate lines by pressing "enter" in between names.

You can list each partner in any or all of these three questions, where relevant.

**Please list groups with which you regularly collaborate on environmental projects or programs.**

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

**Please list groups that you go to for knowledge, data or expertise related to environmental issues.**

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

**Please list groups/organizations/agencies from which you have received resources – funding or materials—in the last two years.**

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

**Section 6: Tell us a bit more about your group**

**What types of services does your group provide?**

Please select all that apply.

- Educational curricula/trainings
- Legal resources
- Buildings/facilities
- Plant materials/equipment
- Technical assistance
- Labor (volunteers/students/interns)
- Grants
- Community organizing
- Public relations/marketing
- Data/ information/ scientific research
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**How does your group share information with the public?**

Please select all that apply.

- N/A, we don't share information
- National media
- Local media
- Direct mailing
- E-mail blasting
- Door-to-door outreach
- Word of mouth
- Flyers
- Website
- Social media (e.g. Facebook, Twitter)
- Listserv
- Blog
- Conferences
- Community meetings
- Radio
- TV
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**What is your group estimated annual budget for the current year?**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Prefer not to answer

**Approximately what proportion of your budget comes from the following funding sources?**

Make sure your percentages total to 100%.

Percent (out of 100)

Government	_____
Foundations	_____
Endowment	_____
Corporate giving/sponsorship	_____
Individual giving	_____
Memberships	_____
Fee for service	_____
Other: _____	_____

- We have no budget
- Prefer not to answer

**Section 7: Final section**

Please check here if you or another person from your organization is willing to participate in a follow-up interview or focus group related to the STEW-MAP project.

**Is there anything else you would like to tell us about your group or this survey?**

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**This concludes the STEW-MAP survey.  
Thank you for your participation.**

To learn more about STEW-MAP, visit: <https://www.nrs.fs.fed.us/STEW-MAP/>  
Once the Baltimore 2019 STEW-MAP is complete, we will email you with the results.  
If you have any questions, feel free to contact us at

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