



MICHIGAN WATERFRONT ALLIANCE

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WE LOBBY TO PROTECT MICHIGAN'S LAKE AND STREAMS. THAT'S WHAT WE DO.

We are asking you donate to Michigan Waterfront Alliance (MWA). By doing so, you can help in a statewide effort to protect Michigan's lakes and streams. MWA lobbies state government on a wide variety of issues that affect our water resources, such as road-end access, funding for the state's permitting system, marina regulations, septic upgrade regulations, phosphorus fertilizers, and much more.

You know how it works. When the legislature is pushed to weaken water resource protection measures, they will do just that—unless we speak out to protect our lakes and streams. It is difficult for one person or one lake association to carry the burden of protecting 11,000 lakes. And though we'd like to think that right will always prevail, one lone voice is not enough to get the attention of the leaders in state government. That is why we must join together to make our collective voice heard in Lansing. These efforts were utilized in getting legislation passed, this year, to restrict use of phosphorus fertilizer on turf.

After costly filing on two (2) Amicus Briefs (Appellate court and Supreme Court) and direct mail fundraising campaigns (to Lake Charlevoix residents), MWA incurred a total cost of over \$3000 on just this one case regarding the loss of riparian rights by court action. The MWA Board of Directors voted, last December, to create a MWA Legal Assistance Fund to provide the funds to support significant legal cases relevant to the mission of MWA. Funds will be disbursed in a manner consistent with MWA bylaws.

To get our message out, we retain professional lobbyists who are skilled and experienced in issue advocacy. While this expertise is very effective, it is also costly. As such, we ask you to donate, either to our Legal Assistance Fund or just a donation to our efforts.

We need to build this Legal Assistance Fund as soon as possible. **Please be as generous as you can.**

Please send back the application below plus give a copy to a like minded neighbor or friend.

Sincerely,

MWA Board of Directors

Please print:

Name _____ Date _____

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Township _____ Lake/Stream Asn _____

Legal Assistance Fund \$ _____ Other Donation\$ _____

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