



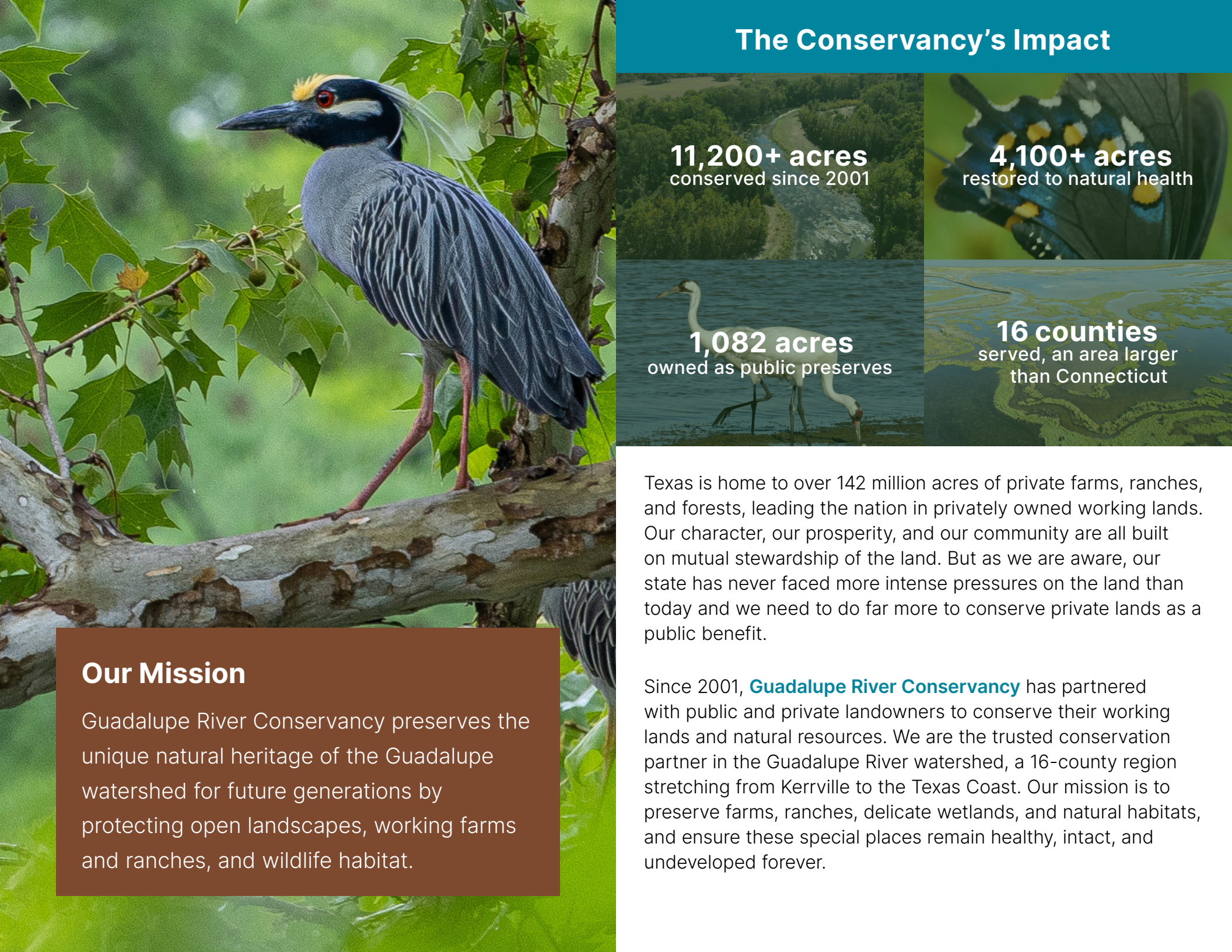
**Guadalupe
River**

CONSERVANCY



**Conserving Natural and
Working Lands in the
Guadalupe Watershed**

The Conservancy's Impact



11,200+ acres
conserved since 2001

4,100+ acres
restored to natural health

1,082 acres
owned as public preserves

16 counties
served, an area larger
than Connecticut

Our Mission

Guadalupe River Conservancy preserves the unique natural heritage of the Guadalupe watershed for future generations by protecting open landscapes, working farms and ranches, and wildlife habitat.

Texas is home to over 142 million acres of private farms, ranches, and forests, leading the nation in privately owned working lands. Our character, our prosperity, and our community are all built on mutual stewardship of the land. But as we are aware, our state has never faced more intense pressures on the land than today and we need to do far more to conserve private lands as a public benefit.

Since 2001, [Guadalupe River Conservancy](#) has partnered with public and private landowners to conserve their working lands and natural resources. We are the trusted conservation partner in the Guadalupe River watershed, a 16-county region stretching from Kerrville to the Texas Coast. Our mission is to preserve farms, ranches, delicate wetlands, and natural habitats, and ensure these special places remain healthy, intact, and undeveloped forever.

How We Can Support Your Goals



Your land is your legacy. It's your life's work, where you have raised your family, and where you hold so many memories.

Today, as Texas faces too many development pressures and with too few in the next generation willing to continue stewarding the land, many landowners are rightfully concerned that their legacy will soon be fragmented and divided. However, **you have the choice to ensure that your land is protected, exactly as you want, forever.**

Conserving your land can guarantee that it will remain as agricultural or natural land for generations to come, without having to sell or subdivide your property. You maintain the freedom to manage your land in a way that makes sense for you while allowing it to pass on to your family in the future. And in addition to the positive outcome for the land, conservation agreements with a land trust can provide generous tax benefits to help with planning your estate.

Guadalupe River Conservancy has a rich history of partnering with municipalities, agencies, and the public sector throughout the Guadalupe River watershed to establish local parks and preserves, mitigate flooding, and implement landscape-scale conservation initiatives.

As a land trust, Guadalupe River Conservancy can move at the speed of a private buyer to protect and hold land in trust before transferring it to a permanent public manager. We can also access and leverage multiple sources of funding, helping collaborative partners meet shared goals and complete projects that far exceed their individual capacity.

We work collaboratively with public partners such as the USDA Forest Service and U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, and we served as the official land protection partner for both the Upper Guadalupe River Authority and the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority. We also bring to each project significant experience in wetland mitigation and habitat protection for threatened and endangered species.

"Conserving your ranch offers peace of mind knowing that the land will remain as it should be—working land, providing for wildlife and the communities we feed. Without this option, I worry that too many farms and ranches like ours would disappear, and with them, the essence of what makes Texas so special. I can't imagine not having the ability to protect the land that's been our livelihood for so long."

— Wilfred Korth

How You Can Support Our Mission

Together, we can create a lasting impact on the Guadalupe River watershed and foster a legacy of conservation that will endure for years to come. Help by supporting our mission and spreading the word about the work we do.

CONSERVE YOUR LAND

There's never been a more important time to think about the future of your land and to protect the natural resources that we all rely on. Conserving your land through voluntary agreements with Guadalupe River Conservancy is the best way to ensure a win-win-win for Texas, working lands, and wildlife. Speak with our staff to learn more about your conservation options and how you can get started in partnering with Guadalupe River Conservancy.

DISCUSS CONSERVATION OPTIONS WITH YOUR NEIGHBOR

Whether you have already conserved your land or are simply concerned with the pace of development in Texas, you can help us by talking to your friends and neighbors about the importance of conserving their land. For example, multiple neighboring ranches protected from development can create an expansive sanctuary for wildlife and agriculture—all while ensuring you won't have a subdivision next door.

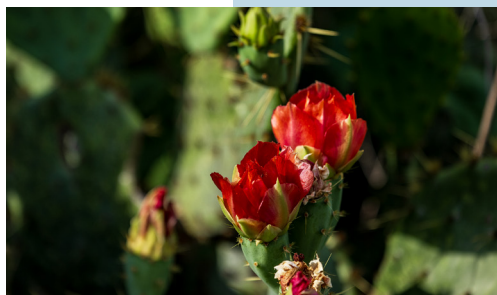
DONATE TO YOUR LAND TRUST

Texans of all stripes agree that it is vital to conserve our lands, ranches, and open spaces before it's too late. Guadalupe River Conservancy is one of more than 30 land trusts working to protect the natural and working lands of Texas, but we need your financial support so we can keep up with the breakneck pace of the real estate market. Make a donation today at GuadalupeRiverConservancy.org.

VOLUNTEER YOUR TIME

Land conservation is active work and Guadalupe River Conservancy needs talented folks to get involved. Ask our staff about ways you can help, from assisting in natural area stewardship activities to lending your time and expertise by joining our Board of Directors.

All of us have a part to play in conserving Texas, and together, we have the opportunity to protect open landscapes, working farms and ranches, and wildlife habitat for generations to come. Thank you for being our partner and supporting conservation in Texas!





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