

# VPF IN THE PARKS: 2025

Thanks to generous donor support, Vermont Parks Forever, the foundation for Vermont State Parks, continues to expand its impact statewide increasing access to parks, nature education and youth internships.

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## 44,000+ FREE DAYS

The annual Park Access Fund marked ten years and granted 14,000+ days in the parks through nonprofits to Vermonters underrepresented in the outdoors.



### FIRST-IN-THE-NATION PILOT PROGRAM

The new Park Access Fund Pilot Program provided 30,000+ free park visits directly to income-eligible Vermonters funded by private donations. 39 of 40 day-use parks welcomed pilot program participants.



## 4 PAID YOUTH INTERNS

VPF doubled its internship opportunities! Young people worked in public service and nature education at Mt. Philo and Branbury State Parks and joined VPF's team to learn about nonprofit impact-making.



## BEACHES FOR EVERYONE

To date, VPF has worked to add 6 adaptive beach access wheelchairs and hundreds of feet of accessible walkways to beaches so everyone can enjoy the water.



## AWARD-WINNING NATURE CENTER

CELEBRATING TWO YEARS AT THE GROTON NATURE CENTER

The Groton Nature Center, renovated and re-opened in 2023, welcomed thousands of visitors, hosted hundreds of hours of programming, and received the 2025 Facility of Merit award from the Vermont Recreation & Parks Association.

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