

Community Agency Resource Local Nonprofit Agencies

# Environment

# **Big Bend Coastal Conservatory**

#### www.bigbendcoastalconservancy.org

Our mission is to conserve the natural habitats and resources of the watersheds and communities of coastal Big Bend, Florida for present and future generations.

# **Birdsong Nature Center**

#### www.birdsongnaturecenter.org

Birdsong Nature Center's mission is to foster awareness, understanding, and appreciation of nature and its interrelationships. It's goals are: To educate and inspire leaders, teachers, and the public about the natural world through direct discovery and hands-on learning; To promote a sense of personal responsibility for the environment; and, To manage Birdsong's acreage as a living museum and outdoor classroom by encouraging diversity of plants, animals, and habitats through the use of ecologically appropriate land management practices.

# Damayan, Inc.

#### www.nps.gov/seac/

The mission of Damayan is to promote environmental stewardship, foster nutritional awareness, and help alleviate hunger. By planting gardens and educating others to tend to them in their homes, schools, and community centers, Damayan will enable pragmatic change towards a sustainable future.

# Florida Department of Agriculture & Consumer Service

#### www.freshfromflorida.com

The Department's twelve divisions work to provide and assure the safety and wholesomeness of food, fiber, and other marketable products; a healthy environment; consumer protection; and a sound agricultural economy.

# Florida Dept. of Agriculture - Division of Forestry

#### www.floridaforestservice.com

To promote the responsible use of Florida's forest resources.

# Florida Natural Areas Inventory

#### www.fnai.org

The mission of the Florida Natural Areas Inventory is to collect, interpret, and disseminate ecological information critical to the conservation of Florida's biological diversity. FNAI's database and expertise facilitate environmenatly sound planning and natural resource management to protect the plants, animals, and communities that represent Florida's natural heritage.

### Florida Park Service - Friends of Wakulla Springs

#### www.wakullasprings.org

Park ranger assistants needed at Wakulla Springs State Park and Lodge. Glassbottom boat and river tour guides, dock masters, and visitor service opportunities abound. Join the Wakulla Team!

# Florida Trail Association, Apalachee Chapter

#### www.apalachee.floridatrail.org

The Apalachee Chapter of the Florida Trail Association includes the counties of Leon, Liberty, Gadsden, Franklin, Wakulla and Jefferson. The Apalachee Chapter builds and maintains the Florida National Scenic Trail in the Apalachicola National Forest, St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge, and the Aucilla Wildlife Management Area plus hiking trails in Talquin State Forest, Torreya State Park and Phipps Park in Tallahassee. The Florida Trail Association is a non-profit Association dedicated to building hiking trails, especially the Florida National Scenic Trail, throughout Florida, and to education for careful usage and enjoyment of the outdoors. Membership will provide you with: over 1,500 miles of trails to hike, over 500 outdoor adventures to participate in each year throughout Florida, means to support conservation, and friends to enjoy in an outdoor setting.

# FSU Sustainable Campus

#### http://sustainablecampus.fsu.edu/

Florida State University is committed to creating the best possible campus sustainability program we can; one that is realistic to the needs and constraints of our institution, transparent in process and reporting, in line with the University's strategic priorities, and true to the pillars of the triple bottom line. The Sustainable Campus program is rooted in the values of sustainability as a process (not an endpoint), participation & action by our campus community, education, and collaboration.

# Gulf Specimen Marine Laboratory

#### www.gulfspecimen.org/

Gulf Specimen Marine Laboratory is a non-profit, 501(c)3 organization founded in 1963 and incorporated in 1980 to support marine research and education both on site and at universities throughout the U.S. and Canada. In 1995, due to continued strong growth in interest and attendance, GSML began a program to more strongly emphasize educational programs for regional schools, aquarium display and public visitation.

# Keep Tallahassee-Leon County Beautiful

#### www.ktlcb.com

Non-profit organization committed to keeping Tallahassee-Leon County Beautiful. Volunteer based projects each srping and fall on a very large scale. Smaller projects throughout the year.

# National Park Service - Southeast Archeological Center

#### www.nps.gov/seac/

The Southeast Archeological Center performs archeological compliance work throughout the Southeast United States. We also curate 68% of the museum objects for Southeastern park units. Our mission is to preserve and protect park resources for this and future generations.

# Sharing Tree

### http://thesharingtreefl.org/

The Sharing Tree's mission is to collect and redistribute reusable materials to educators, artists and the broader learning community, while simultaneously educating the community in the art of creative reuse. The beauty of The Sharing Tree is that it truly benefits the entire community; providing classroom materials to teachers that enhance the educational setting for students while also inspiring the entire community to reuse and recycle.

# St. Mark's Wildlife Refuge

#### www.fws.gov/saintmarks

Established in 1931 for the protection of wintering habitats for migrating birds. Today, St. Mark's Wildlife Refuge is a unit of National Fish and Wildlife Service. Its mission is to prtect wildlife and wildlife habitats and facilitate visitor use within its boudary.

# Sustainable Tallahassee, Inc.

#### http://www.sustainabletallahassee.org/

Sustainable Tallahassee promotes environmental stewardship and economic vitality in our community through education and collaboration.

We are a catalyst for individual, group, and community-wide actions that save water, energy, and money, optimize the sustainable use of resources, and ensure a place that will still be special for our children and grandchildren.

# Tall Timbers Research Station & Land Conservancy

#### www.talltimbers.org

Tall Timbers Research Station & Land Conservancy is a private, non-profit, ecological research station that is internationally recognized for its long-term studies of wildlife, forest management, fire ecology and conservation. We are dedicated to acquiring knowledge for ecological understanding and developing creative solutions to natural resource management issues. Tall Timbers is also a conservation land trust that focuses on providing services via conservation easements, regional biological and cultural resource inventories, land use and community planning, advocacy, and educational outreach. Call us at 850-893-4153.

# The Nature Conservancy - Tallahassee Office

#### www.nature.org

The mission of The Nature Conservancy is to preserve the plants, animals and natural communities that represent the diversity of life on earth by protecting the lands and waters they need to survive.

# **USFS** Apalachicola National Forest

### www.fs.fed.us/r8/florida/apalachicola/

The Mission of the US Forest Service, including the ANF, is to care for the land and serve the people. The Volunteer Program is managed by the Recreation Dept. The ANF not only has several volunteers as site hosts at the several recreation areas, but also engages local volunteers including students in the environment, environmental education, and caring for the resources such as trail maintenance, and debris and trash removal. Specialized volunteer opportunities may exist, namely archeological surveys, timber-marking, ecology, planting trees and grasses, exotic removals and wildlife work like assisting with surveys of endangered species such as the Red-Cockaded Woodpeckers, and general environmental education (e.g. More Kids in the Woods program)