



The River Needs You.

We are sincerely grateful for your commitment and membership support. Because of you, our St. Johns River has a strong voice and a dedicated team of passionate professional advocates working tirelessly every day for its protection.

With your help, we are making progress for the St. Johns and its watershed:

- ✓ Earlier this year, a **judge ruled in favor of ST. JOHNS RIVERKEEPER and our co-plaintiffs**, finding that the constitutional amendment overwhelmingly approved by voters in 2014 requires funding to be used **FOR land conservation** and NOT other purposes.
- ✓ We **helped stop a dangerous state rule** that would have allowed increased levels of toxic chemicals in Florida's surface waters.
- ✓ St. Johns Riverkeeper led a coalition of organizations and individuals that successfully **protected Julington-Durbin Preserve** from a developer planning to build 1400 homes in the middle of the preserve.
- ✓ We launched a series of community town hall meetings to raise awareness about the impacts of dredging and rising waters. **More than 700 people attended eight town halls and over 900 postcards were mailed to local leaders urging action.**
- ✓ Our efforts led to a **moratorium on the use of sewage sludge at one of the biggest polluting farms**, and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection formed a Biosolids Technical Advisory Committee to address this serious problem.
- ✓ In 2018, we have provided **educational boat trips for over 3,000 5th grade students and programs for over 8,200 students** throughout the St. Johns River watershed.

These are just some examples of the successful work we are doing on behalf of you, your family, and our beloved river. However, there is much left to do.

As we approach the end of the year, **please consider making an additional contribution to help us continue our progress, as we defend, advocate and activate others to protect the St. Johns.**

Thank You for Your Support!

Additional Ways to Give

1. Rollover Your IRA

If you are 70½ or older and don't need your required minimum distribution (RMD), please consider making a charitable rollover gift from your IRA to help support our work. Rolling over your IRA to St. Johns RIVERKEEPER can help reduce your tax bill while also benefiting our river.

Contact your IRA administrator to request a direct transfer to St. Johns RIVERKEEPER. While you will not receive an income tax deduction, you will not pay taxes on distributions made to us.

2. Make an Additional Gift

Your additional gift will help us enhance our programs, expand our reach, and strengthen our voice for your St. Johns River.

Donate on our website (www.stjohnsriverkeeper.org), or by using the enclosed reply card and envelope.

3. Give the Gift of Membership

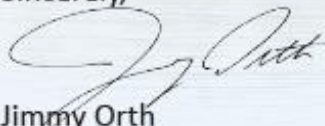
Members are the lifeblood of St. Johns RIVERKEEPER. You allow us to achieve standing when legal challenges are necessary, help us get our foot in the door with leaders and policymakers, give the river a powerful voice, and provide financial resources to support this important work.

This holiday season, give the gift of membership to your family and friends!

By making an additional gift to St. Johns RIVERKEEPER, you will be making an investment in your community and the future of your St. Johns River.

Thank you for your consideration and ongoing support. Together, we can restore our river's health and leave a lasting legacy for generations to come – a clean and healthy St. Johns!

Sincerely,



Jimmy Orth
Executive Director

P.S. If you are interested in discussing planned giving opportunities or other ways to support St. Johns Riverkeeper, please contact me at (904) 256-7919 or Jimmy@stjohnsriverkeeper.org.