



Virginia Master Naturalists Year In Review 2022



2,388
active
volunteers



211K
service hours,
valued at \$6.5M



703
sites
improved
through
stewardship



100+
studies
contributed to
through citizen
science



288K
contacts made
through
education &
outreach

Who We Are

The Virginia Master Naturalist (VMN) program is a statewide corps of trained volunteers providing natural resource education, citizen science, and stewardship in their communities. Thirty local chapters are active across Virginia.

2022 Activity Highlights

VMN volunteers improved local natural resource conditions on more than 700 sites through invasive plant management, stewardship of wildlife habitats, maintenance of hundreds of miles of trails, and creation of 60+ new habitat sites.

VMN volunteers were key contributors to nature-based scientific studies, such as tracking the spread of spotted lanternflies and monitoring vernal pool habitats.

Through interpretive walks, booths at community events, school programs, and presentations, VMN volunteers connected youth and adults to Virginia's natural resources.



Volunteers contributed 6,100 hours monitoring Virginia's waters, producing data used to identify potential issues and alert communities to health risks.

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