STATUS OF LOCAL PACE PROGRAMS

OVERVIEW

As of January 2024, at least 108 independently funded, local purchase of agricultural conservation easement (PACE) programs in 22 states had acquired funding and/or easements. This table displays the status and summarizes important information about these local farmland and ranchland protection programs. For a program to be included, the protection of agricultural lands for agriculture must be a core purpose accomplished primarily by compensating landowners for the acquisition of conservation easements.

EXPLANATION OF COLUMN HEADINGS

Locality

Name of the locality the program serves. When a land trust or soil and water conservation district administers the program, it is listed next to the locality.

Year of Inception/Year of First Acquisition

Year in which the PACE program was authorized and year in which the program acquired its first easement.

Total Easements Acquired

Number of agricultural conservation easements acquired to date. This number includes joint projects with state and/or county programs and projects completed independently by the local program. This number does not necessarily reflect the total number of farms/ranches protected; some programs acquire a property in stages and/or may hold multiple easements on the same farm/ranch.

Total Acres Protected

Number of agricultural acres protected by the program through independent and joint projects to date.

Independent Easements Acquired

Number of agricultural conservation easements acquired through independent projects to date. This number excludes joint projects with county and/or state programs to avoid double counting easements acquired. This number does not necessarily reflect the total number of farms/ranches protected.

Independent Acres Protected

Number of acres protected through independent projects. This excludes acres protected through joint projects with county and/or state programs to avoid double counting protected acres.

Independent Program Funds Spent to Date

Dollars spent by each program to acquire easements on farms/ranches through independent projects. This excludes dollars spent on joint projects with county and/or state programs. Amounts may include unspent funds that are encumbered

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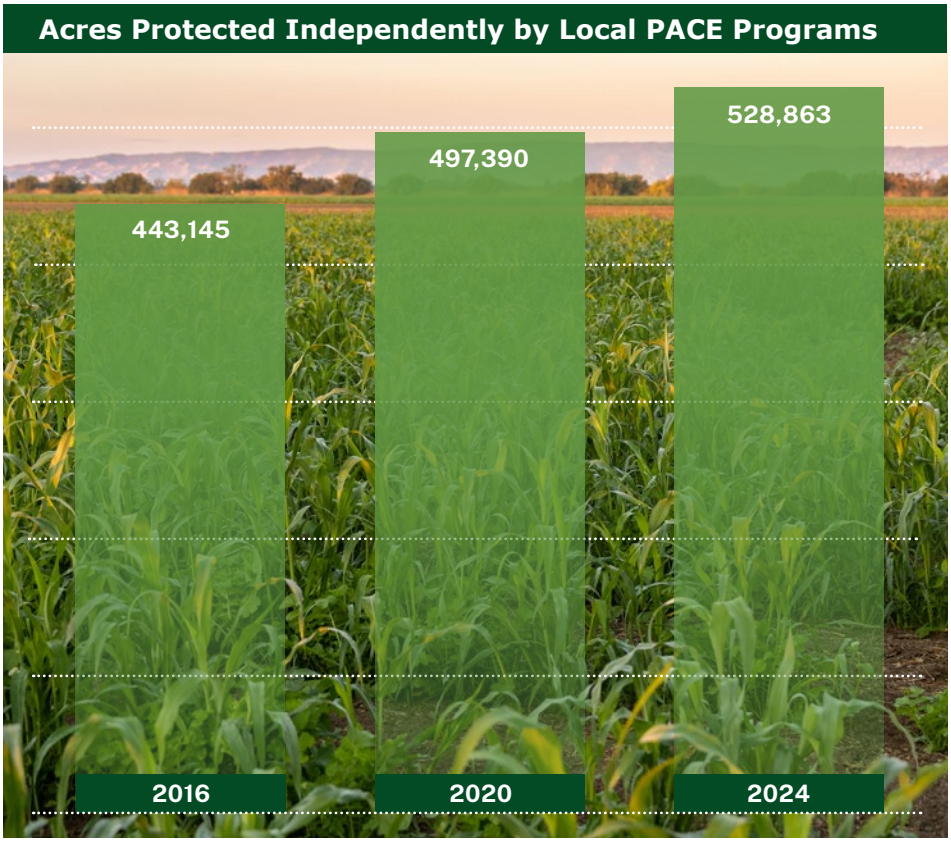

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PURCHASE OF AGRICULTURAL CONSERVATION EASEMENT PROGRAMS

Locality	Year of Inception/ Year of First Acquisition	Total Easements Acquired	Total Acres Protected	Independent Easements Acquired	Independent Acres Protected
California					
Davis, City of [a]	1988/1988	**24**	**4,355**	8	983
San Diego Co.	2011/2013	**51**	**3,384**	51	3,384
Sonoma Co.	1990/1992	**62**	**28,904**	62	28,904
Colorado					
Boulder, City of [b]	1967/1984	**92**	**7,737**	92	7,737
Douglas Co.	1994/1995	**32**	**40,232**	23	10,018
Routt Co.[a]	1996/2000	**39**	**26,937**	29	17,954
Connecticut					
Lebanon, Town of	2006/2007	**36**	**3,100**	13	510
Shelton, Town of	1996/1998	**8**	**395**	2	5
Tolland, Town of	2006/2006	**1**	**155**	1	155
Florida					
Broward Co.[c]	2000/2000	**5**	**64**	5	64
Miami Dade Co.	2007/2007	**13**	**806**	13	806
Pasco Co.[b]	2005/2009	**2**	**1,083**	1	466
Sarasota Co.	1999/2002	**11**	**22,000**	8	6,488
Georgia					
Carroll Co.	2003/2006	**12**	**2,113**	12	2,113
Oconee Co.	1999/2004	**13**	**786**	13	786
Illinois					
Kane Co.[b]	2001/2002	**48**	**5,897**	48	5,897
Indiana					
Harrison Co.	2006/2009	**6**	**573**	6	573
Kentucky					
Lexington-Fayette Co.	2000/2002	**286**	**32,500**	286	32,500
Maryland					
Anne Arundel Co.[d]	1991/1992	**158**	**14,277**	81	6,674
Baltimore Co.[d]	1979/1981	**528**	**70,895**	117	9,213
Calvert Co.[d]	1992/1993	**515**	**24,114**	490	21,510
Carroll Co.[d,e]	1979/1980	**754**	**79,620**	226	24,939
Frederick Co.[d,e]	1991/1993	**548**	**71,715**	158	22,433
Harford Co.[d]	1977/1977	**640**	**63,933**	319	37,733
Howard Co.[d,f]	1978/1984	**213**	**20,123**	171	15,996
Montgomery Co.[a]	1986/1989	**154**	**20,995**	84 [b]	9,758 [b]
Prince George's Soil Conservation District	2007/2008	**79**	**7,371**	44	3,876
Washington Co.[d]	1980/1981	**470**	**40,300**	12	1,447
Wicomico Co.[b,d]	1986/2004	**63**	**7,717**	7	780
Michigan					
Acme Township[a]	2004/2009	**10**	**1,116**	7	500
Ann Arbor Charter Township[a,d]	2003/2006	**14**	**1,284**	9	1,036
City of Ann Arbor Greenbelt Program	2003/2006	**40**	**4,177**	15	1,555
Ingham Co.	2004/2006	**39**	**8,580**	22	3,147 [b]
Kent Co.[a]	2002/2005	**28**	**2,795**	9	839

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STATUS OF LOCAL PROGRAMS AS OF JANUARY 2024

Independent Program Funds Spent to Date	Funding Sources Primary local funding sources are in green	Locality
		California
$3,819,000	Development impact fees, **excise tax revenue,** mitigation fees, state agency funds	Davis, City of [a]
$9,825,675	**Appropriations,** mitigation fees	San Diego Co.
$80,063,750	**Sales tax,** state agency funds, ACEP-ALE	Sonoma Co.
		Colorado
N/A	Appropriations, bonds, sales tax, private contributions	Boulder, City of [b]
$21,718,827	Bonds, sales and use tax, private contributions	Douglas Co.
$11,472,500	**Property tax revenue,** state agency funds	Routt Co.[a]
		Connecticut
$9,486,521	**Appropriations,** mitigation fees, property tax revenue, private contributions, state agency funds, ACEP-ALE	Lebanon, Town of
N/A	Appropriations, bonds, ACEP-ALE	Shelton, Town of
$365,000	Bonds, ACEP-ALE	Tolland, Town of
		Florida
$7,853,997	Bonds	Broward Co.[c]
$14,959,226	Bonds, **ACEP-ALE**	Miami Dade Co.
$2,225,000	Sales tax	Pasco Co.[b]
$17,385,998	Bonds, **property tax revenue,** state agency funds	Sarasota Co.
		Georgia
$2,006,044	Sales tax, ACEP-ALE	Carroll Co.
$1,357,766	Sales tax, ACEP-ALE	Oconee Co.
		Illinois
$18,478,262	Gaming revenue, ACEP-ALE	Kane Co.[b]
		Indiana
$240,000	Private contributions	Harrison Co.
		Kentucky
$38,000,000	**Bonds,** ACEP-ALE	Lexington-Fayette Co.
		Maryland
$30,353,964	Agricultural transfer tax, appropriations, bonds, state agency funds	Anne Arundel Co.[d]
$34,227,439	Appropriations, **bonds**, real estate transfer tax, state agency funds	Baltimore Co.[d]
$15,649,560	**Appropriations**, real estate transfer tax, recording fees	Calvert Co.[d]
$178,059,778	Bonds, **property tax revenue**, real estate transfer tax, state agency funds	Carroll Co.[d,e]
$71,219,528	Agricultural transfer tax, **recordation tax,** recording fees, state agency funds	Frederick Co.[d,e]
$163,032,929	Real estate transfer tax	Harford Co.[d]
$189,024,386	**Agricultural transfer tax**, real estate transfer tax, private contributions, state agency funds	Howard Co.[d,f]
$52,727,000 [b]	**Real estate transfer tax**, use value assessment withdrawal penalties, state agency funds	Montgomery Co.[a]
$27,762,510	**Appropriations**, real estate transfer tax	Prince George's Soil Conservation District
$7,596,788	**Appropriations**, property tax revenue, real estate transfer tax	Washington Co.[d]
$1,619,027	Real estate transfer tax, ACEP-ALE	Wicomico Co.[b,d]
		Michigan
$1,751,573	Property tax revenue, private contributions, state agency funds, ACEP-ALE, other federal funds	Acme Township[a]
$3,574,904	**Property tax revenue, county funds,** state agency funds, ACEP-ALE	Ann Arbor Charter Township[a,d]
$9,815,977	Bonds, property tax revenue, township and county funds, ACEP-ALE	City of Ann Arbor Greenbelt Program
$6,095,906	**Property tax revenue,** state agency funds, ACEP-ALE	Ingham Co.
$300,000	Private contributions, **state agency funds,** ACEP-ALE	Kent Co.[a]

e Maryland's Carroll and Frederick Counties offer "critical farms" programs. The programs allow landowners to sell to the county options to buy their easements for up to 52.5 and 75 percent of the appraised easement value, respectively.

f Howard County figures have been adjusted to exclude easements dedicated to the program through the county's Density Exchange Option subdivision process.

PURCHASE OF AGRICULTURAL CONSERVATION EASEMENT PROGRAMS

Locality	Year of Inception/ Year of First Acquisition	Total Easements Acquired	Total Acres Protected	Independent Easements Acquired	Independent Acres Protected
Michigan, *continued*					
Scio Township[d]	2004/2008	**11**	**929**	9	724
Ottawa Co.	2008/ N/A	**6**	**567**	3	238
Peninsula Township[b,d]	1994/1996	**113**	**3,347**	113	3,347
Washtenaw Co.	1998/2012	**52**	**6,436**	20	3,502
Webster Township[d]	2005/2009	**19**	**1,725**	9	601
Minnesota					
Dakota Co.[d]	2003/2005	**71**	**7,812**	7	461
Montana					
Gallatin Co.[a]	2000/2000	**63**	**58,830**	63	58,830
New Hampshire					
Londonderry, Town of [b]	1996/1996	**40**	**786**	20	372
New Jersey					
Burlington Co.[d]	1985/1985	**283**	**34,013**	59	7,932
Cape May Co.[b,d]	1989/1991	**67**	**3,325**	18	690
Gloucester Co.[a]	2000/1989	**351**	**21,068**	98	3,529
Mercer Co.	1983/1988	**89**	**5,816**	9	290
Monmouth Co.[d]	1981/1987	**224**	**15,700**	4	314
Morris Co.[a]	1983/1996	**142**	**8,200**	26	815
Sussex Co.	1985/1990	**206**	**19,426**	39	2,467
New York					
East Hampton, Town of [g]	1982/1982	**22**	**384**	19	235
Pittsford, Town of [c]	1995/1996	**9**	**1,060**	7	653
Southampton, Town of	1998/1999	**74**	**1,582**	65	1,349
Southold, Town of	1984/1986	**125**	**3,510**	106	3,020
Suffolk Co.[h]	1974/1976	**393**	**11,205**	379	10,142
Warwick, Town of [d]	2001/1997	**50**	**4,481**	38	2,449 [b]
Watershed Agricultural Council [b]	1998/2001	**196**	**27,895**	196	27,895
North Carolina					
Buncombe Co.[a,b]	2001/2005	**49**	**6,316**	39	4,785
Forsyth Co. Soil and Water Conservation District	1984/1987	**25**	**1,237**	19	894
Orange Co.[b]	2000/2001	**24**	**2,077**	14	1,814
Oregon					
Yamhill Co. Soil and Water Conservation District [b]	2003/2003	**4**	**1,242**	4	1,242
Pennsylvania					
Buckingham Township [b]	1991/1991	**56**	**2,766**	42	1,680
Bucks Co.[d]	1989/1990	**244**	**18,770**	12	332
Chester Co.[a,d]	1989/1990	**571**	**44,002**	322	22,353
Lancaster Co.[d,i]	1980/1984	**1,100**	**88,602**	147	11,052
Plumstead Township	1996/1997	**105**	**2,752**	45 [b]	1,709 [b]
Solebury Township [b]	1996/1998	**34**	**1,941**	28	1,298
Virginia					
Albemarle Co.[b,d]	2000/2002	**51**	**9,621**	51	9,621
Chesapeake, City of [a,d]	2003/2006	**10**	**644**	6	432

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Independent Program Funds Spent to Date	Funding Sources Primary local funding sources are in green	Locality
		Michigan, *continued*
$3,501,797	**Property tax revenue,** township and county funds, state agency funds, ACEP-ALE	Scio Township[d]
$141,400	Private contributions, state agency funds, ACEP-ALE	Ottawa Co.
$15,173,800	**Property tax revenue,** private contributions, state agency funds, ACEP-ALE	Peninsula Township[b,d]
$9,268,047	**Property tax revenue,** private contributions, state agency funds, ACEP-ALE	Washtenaw Co.
$1,184,275	**Property tax revenue,** private contributions, township and county funds, state agency funds, ACEP-ALE	Webster Township[d]
		Minnesota
$1,180,095	N/A	Dakota Co.[d]
		Montana
$22,150,865	**Property tax revenue,** private contributions, other federal funds	Gallatin Co.[a]
		New Hampshire
$13,029,600	Appropriations, bonds, property tax revenue, use value assessment withdrawal penalty	Londonderry, Town of[b]
		New Jersey
$36,948,075	**Property tax revenue,** state agency funds, REPI	Burlington Co.[d]
$26,384,562	Property tax revenue, transient lodging tax	Cape May Co.[b,d]
$42,237,716	Bonds, **property tax revenue,** state agency funds	Gloucester Co.[a]
N/A	**Property tax revenue,** state agency funds	Mercer Co.
$4,486,314	**Property tax revenue,** private contributions, municipal funds, state agency funds, REPI	Monmouth Co.[d]
$14,300,970	**Property tax revenue,** state agency funds	Morris Co.[a]
$15,547,417	**Property tax revenue,** private contributions, state agency funds	Sussex Co.
		New York
$87,499,000	Bonds, real estate transfer tax	East Hampton, Town of[g]
$6,259,248	Appropriations, bonds, ACEP-ALE	Pittsford, Town of[c]
$244,806,463	Bonds, property tax revenue, real estate transfer tax	Southampton, Town of
$105,102,387	Real estate transfer tax	Southold, Town of
$275,929,266	Appropriations, bonds, **sales tax,** private contributions, ACEP-ALE	Suffolk Co.[h]
$1,164,446[b]	Bonds, real estate transfer tax, state agency funds, other federal funds	Warwick, Town of[d]
$41,149,000	Bonds (NYC DEP)	Watershed Agricultural Council[b]
		North Carolina
$4,826,103	**Appropriations,** bonds, state agency funds, ACEP-ALE	Buncombe Co.[a,b]
$1,623,058	Appropriations, ACEP-ALE	Forsyth Co. Soil and Water Conservation District
$3,615,313	**Appropriations,** bonds, property tax revenue, real estate transfer tax, sales tax, private contributions, ACEP-ALE	Orange Co.[b]
		Oregon
$0	District funds, private contributions	Yamhill Co. Soil and Water Conservation District[b]
		Pennsylvania
$858,075	Bonds, property tax revenue, real estate transfer tax, private contributions, ACEP-ALE	Buckingham Township[b]
$1,481,186	Appropriations, state agency funds	Bucks Co.[d]
$106,121,134	**Bonds,** real estate transfer tax, use value assessment withdrawal penalties, private contributions, state agency funds, ACEP-ALE	Chester Co.[a,d]
$13,513,453	**Appropriations,** use value assessment withdrawal penalties, state agency funds, ACEP-ALE	Lancaster Co.[d,i]
$9,466,707[b]	Bonds, private contributions	Plumstead Township
$17,400,000	Appropriations, bonds, property tax revenue, private contributions, ACEP-ALE	Solebury Township[b]
		Virginia
$11,063,053	**Appropriations,** transient lodging tax, private contributions, ACEP-ALE	Albemarle Co.[b,d]
$1,707,450	**Appropriations,** state agency funds, other federal funds	Chesapeake, City of[a,d]

g Total program activity includes fee simple acquisitions.
h Total and Independent Easements Acquired represents the number of parcels protected. Program staff track individual parcels, rather than number of easements or restrictions acquired.
i Lancaster County's independent totals do not reflect 35,551 acres acquired by the county where the state PACE program has funded the transaction costs

PURCHASE OF AGRICULTURAL CONSERVATION EASEMENT PROGRAMS

Locality	Year of Inception/ Year of First Acquisition	Total Easements Acquired	Total Acres Protected	Independent Easements Acquired	Independent Acres Protected
Virginia, *continued*					
Clarke Co.	2002/2003	**131**	**7,810**	78	3,995
Fauquier Co.	2002/2004	**180**	**19,860**	45	5,179
Frederick Co.[b]	2005/ N/A	**1**	**89**	1	89
Goochland Co.	2007/2007	**6**	**935**	5	435
James City Co.[b]	2001/2003	**7**	**543**	6	440
Loudoun Co.[c]	2000/2002	**5**	**1,007**	5	1,007
New Kent Co.[c]	2006/2009	**1**	**96**	1	96
Shenandoah Co.[a]	2008/ N/A	**6**	**613**	2	94
Stafford Co.[a]	2007/2009	**13**	**1,105**	9	683
Virginia Beach, City of [a,d]	1995/1997	**102**	**10,518**	95	10,046
Washington					
King Co.[a]	1979/1984	**256**	**16,095**	251	15,795
Pierce Co.[a]	1991/ N/A	**14**	**1,182**	14	1,182
San Juan Co.[b]	1990/1994	**14**	**1,276**	14	1,276
Skagit Co.[a]	1996/1998	**207**	**14,675**	120	12,455
Thurston Co.[c]	1996/1998	**18**	**942**	18	942
Whatcom Co.[a,d]	2001/2002	**35**	**1,686**	24	1,166
West Virginia					
Berkeley Co.	2000/2004	**82**	**8,646**	80	8,235
Fayette Co.	2005/2007	**11**	**837**	11	837
Grant Co.	2003/2007	**9**	**2,168**	3	422
Greenbrier Co.	2004/2007	**14**	**3,171**	12	2,494
Hampshire Co.	2004/2006	**28**	**6,271**	18	3,145
Hardy Co.	2003/2003	**10**	**1,893**	3	442
Harrison Co.	2016/2017	**3**	**355**	3	355
Jefferson Co.	2000/2003	**55**	**6,538**	54	6,227
Lincoln Co.	2006/2018	**2**	**363**	2	363
Mineral Co.	2010/2011	**10**	**1,324**	9	1,213
Monroe Co.	2002/2005	**25**	**4,916**	20	3,726
Morgan Co.	2000/2005	**24**	**1,769**	24	1,769
Nicholas Co.	2004/2007	**11**	**1,283**	11	1,283
Pendleton Co.	2004/2017	**3**	**447**	3	447
Pocahontas Co.	2004/2008	**20**	**2,999**	18	1,697
Preston Co.	2004/2007	**8**	**1,107**	7	939
Roane Co.	2011/2020	**1**	**88**	1	88
Summers Co.	2004/2007	**5**	**932**	5	932
Upshur Co.	2012/2018	**1**	**174**	1	174
Wisconsin					
Landmark Conservancy (formerly Bayfield Regional Conservancy) [b]	2002/2003	**4**	**193**	4	193
Dane Co.[a]	1996/1997	**22**	**2,033**	13	1,286
Dunn, Town of	1996/1997	**40**	**3,951**	28	2,873
Jefferson Co.[a]	2009/ N/A	**10**	**1,123**	10	1,123
Rock Co.	2009/ N/A	**23**	**2,503**	12	662
LOCAL TOTALS		**11,290**	**1,171,616**	**5,235**[j]	**528,863**

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		Virginia, *continued*
$458,267	Property tax revenue, real estate transfer tax, **use value assessment withdrawal penalties,** private contributions, state agency funds, ACEP-ALE	Clarke Co.
$8,495,000	**Property tax revenue,** private contributions, state agency funds	Fauquier Co.
$395,000	N/A	Frederick Co.[b]
$0	N/A	Goochland Co.
$1,687,000	Bonds, ACEP-ALE	James City Co.[b]
$2,670,000	Appropriations, transient lodging tax, ACEP-ALE	Loudoun Co.[c]
$0	N/A	New Kent Co.[c]
$6,000	**Appropriations,** use value assessment withdrawal penalties, state agency funds	Shenandoah Co.[a]
$1,403,150	**Use value assessment withdrawal penalties,** state agency funds, ACEP-ALE	Stafford Co.[a]
$59,163,128[b]	**Property tax revenue,** state agency funds	Virginia Beach, City of[a,d]
		Washington
$60,728,211[b]	**Funds from TDR sales,** real estate transfer tax	King Co.[a]
$6,282,978	**Property tax revenue,** private contributions, state agency funds	Pierce Co.[a]
$2,219,752	Bonds, property tax revenue, real estate transfer tax, timber excise tax	San Juan Co.[b]
$13,995,608	**Property tax revenue,** private contributions	Skagit Co.[a]
$2,241,122	Property tax revenue	Thurston Co.[c]
$4,178,151	Mitigation fees, **property tax revenue,** state agency funds, ACEP-ALE	Whatcom Co.[a,d]
		West Virginia
$25,498,868	**Real estate transfer tax,** private contributions, state agency funds, ACEP-ALE	Berkeley Co.
$1,363,927	Real estate transfer tax, ACEP-ALE	Fayette Co.
$325,775	Real estate transfer tax, ACEP-ALE	Grant Co.
$1,958,701	Real estate transfer tax, ACEP-ALE	Greenbrier Co.
$1,518,172	**Real estate transfer tax,** state agency funds, ACEP-ALE	Hampshire Co.
$704,875	Real estate transfer tax, ACEP-ALE	Hardy Co.
$279,500	Real estate transfer tax	Harrison Co.
$12,516,061	**Real estate transfer tax,** state agency funds, ACEP-ALE, other federal funds	Jefferson Co.
$198,698	Real estate transfer tax, ACEP-ALE	Lincoln Co.
$1,404,776	Real estate transfer tax	Mineral Co.
$689,079	**Real estate transfer tax,** state agency funds, ACEP-ALE	Monroe Co.
$2,012,027	Real estate transfer tax, ACEP-ALE	Morgan Co.
$1,752,100	Real estate transfer tax, ACEP-ALE	Nicholas Co.
$346,650	Real estate transfer tax	Pendleton Co.
$1,302,893	Real estate transfer tax, ACEP-ALE	Pocahontas Co.
$1,264,000	Real estate transfer tax, ACEP-ALE	Preston Co.
$96,000	Real estate transfer tax	Roane Co.
$567,250	Real estate transfer tax, ACEP-ALE	Summers Co.
$170,250	Real estate transfer tax, ACEP-ALE	Upshur Co.
		Wisconsin
$274,160	Property tax revenue, private contributions, ACEP-ALE	Landmark Conservancy (formerly Bayfield Regional Conservancy)[b]
$7,282,616	Appropriations, **bonds,** private contributions, ACEP-ALE	Dane Co.[a]
$3,730,817	**Property tax revenue,** RCPP	Dunn, Town of
$260,202	**County funds,** state agency funds, ACEP-ALE, other federal funding	Jefferson Co.[a]
$717,075	Mitigation fees, **sales tax,** ACEP-ALE	Rock Co.
$2,347,377,347		

j To avoid double counting, independent easements acquired, acres protected, and funds spent to date totals do not include the independent activity of West Virginia counties. At the request of the state and county programs in West Virginia, activity done by the county boards is included on AFT's Status of State PACE Programs publication, as the state legislature has explicitly authorized the county boards. While not included in the totals, the boards continue to do work independently of the state authority, and so their activity remains broken out by county in this table.

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for installment payments on completed projects. Unless otherwise noted, this figure does not include incidental land acquisition costs such as appraisals, insurance and recording fees, or the administrative cost of running the program. These figures do not include additional funds contributed by federal programs, other localities, private land trusts, foundations and/or individuals.

Funding Sources

Current sources of funding for each program. Funding sources in green indicate the primary funding source as reported for calendar year 2023.

The Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration Program (REPI) provides funds to establish easement-protected buffer areas around military installations.

The Agricultural Conservation Easement Program (ACEP) protects agricultural land and conserves wetlands. The Agricultural Land Easements (ALE) component of ACEP provides matching funds to eligible entities to buy conservation easements on farmland and ranchland.

Local PACE Programs by Total Acres Protected

LOCALITY	EASEMENTS	ACRES PROTECTED
Lancaster County, Pennsylvania	1,100	88,602
Carroll County, Maryland	754	79,620
Frederick County, Maryland	548	71,715
Baltimore County, Maryland	528	70,895
Harford County, Maryland	640	63,933
Gallatin County, Colorado	63	58,830
Chester County, Pennsylvania	571	44,002
Washington County, Maryland	470	40,300
Douglas County, Colorado	32	40,232
Burlington County, New Jersey	283	34,013
Lexington-Fayette County, Kentucky	286	32,500
Sonoma County, California	62	28,904

Note: Total acres protected includes those placed under easement independently and in partnership with state or other local PACE programs.

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