



Charlotte Selectboard
Charlotte Planning and Conservation Commissions
c/o Dean Bloch
Charlotte Town Offices
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Charlotte, VT. 05445

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Dear Charlotte Selectboard, Planning and Conservation Commissions:

The Lewis Creek Association (LCA) respectfully requests Charlotte's financial support for FY 2015-16 in the amount of **\$600.00**. Thanks to Charlotte's annual financial support, LCA continues to monitor water quality, wildlife habitat and stream corridor conditions while pursuing restoration and conservation opportunities in Charlotte's Lewis Creek, LaPlatte and "Direct to Lake" watershed areas. By keeping track of actual natural resource conditions in Charlotte, we can better understand local resource issues and apply this information to town government and landowner decision making processes.

This past year LCA shared water quality results with town and state water quality officials, participated in improvement efforts including farm projects, conservation easements and the Water Quality Stewardship Program in Charlotte and Shelburne. LCA and CCC collaborated to inform Charlotte's Town Plan update. LCA worked with Charlotte, State groups and 8 other towns to support invasive plant control and spread prevention in the Champlain Valley region. LCA also worked closely with the area land trusts, including CLT, by sharing local natural resource information and promoting flood resiliency protection opportunities when appropriate.

Charlotte's **\$600.00 contribution** is expected to help LCA to leverage more than \$70,000 of grant projects this coming season while contributing to annual community service programs in the Lewis Creek and neighboring watersheds. Thank you very much for supporting this work.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Martha Illick". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Martha Illick
Executive Director

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