

Maryland Chapter Activities

The backcross breeding program of the Maryland Chapter of The American Chestnut Foundation (MDTACF) is carried out in twenty-two orchards throughout the state of Maryland. These orchards advance the efforts of The American Chestnut Foundation to restore the American chestnut tree to its former range throughout the Appalachian region, enhancing the genetic diversity of the backcross breeding efforts with mother trees adapted to the variety of growing conditions within the state of Maryland. Maryland orchards also create opportunities for learning activities and research related to American chestnut restoration. The Maryland Chapter initiates and supports hands-on learning activities in areas of inquiry relevant to American chestnut restoration. MDTACF is tax exempt under section 501 (c) (3) of the IRS code.