



ANNUAL REPORT

2024 - 2025

OUR NETWORK OF NATIONAL PARKS

National Parks

- 1 Andros West Side National Park
- 2 Crab Replenishment Reserve
- 3 Blue Holes National Park
- 4 North Andros Marine Park
- 5 South Andros Marine Park
- 6 Rand Nature Centre
- 7 Peterson Cay National Park
- 8 Lucayan National Park
- 9 Walker's Cay National Park
- 10 Black Sound Cay National Reserve
- 11 Fowl Cays National Park
- 12 Pelican Cays Land & Sea Park
- 13 Tiloo Cay National Reserve
- 14 Abaco National Park
- 15 Primeval Forest National Park
- 16 Harrold & Wilson Ponds National Park
- 17 Bonefish Pond National Park
- 18 The Retreat
- 19 Exuma Cays Land & Sea Park
- 20 Moriah Harbour Cay National Park
- 21 Leon Levy Native Plant Preserve
- 22 Conception Island National Park
- 23 Southern Great Lake National Park
- 24 Pigeon Creek and Snow Bay National Park
- 25 Graham's Harbour Iguana & Seabird National Park
- 26 West Coast Marine Park
- 27 Green's Bay National Park
- 28 Great Hope House
- 29 Marine Farm
- 30 Little Inagua National Park
- 31 Union Creek Reserve
- 32 Inagua National Park
- 33 Seahorse National Park at Sweetings Pond and Hatchet Bay

BNT Offices

Marsh Harbour, Abaco
Freeport, Grand Bahama
Nassau, New Providence
Warderick Wells, Exuma Cays
Moriah Harbour Cay, Great Exuma
Staniard Creek, Andros
Governor's Harbour, Eleuthera
Matthew Town, Inagua

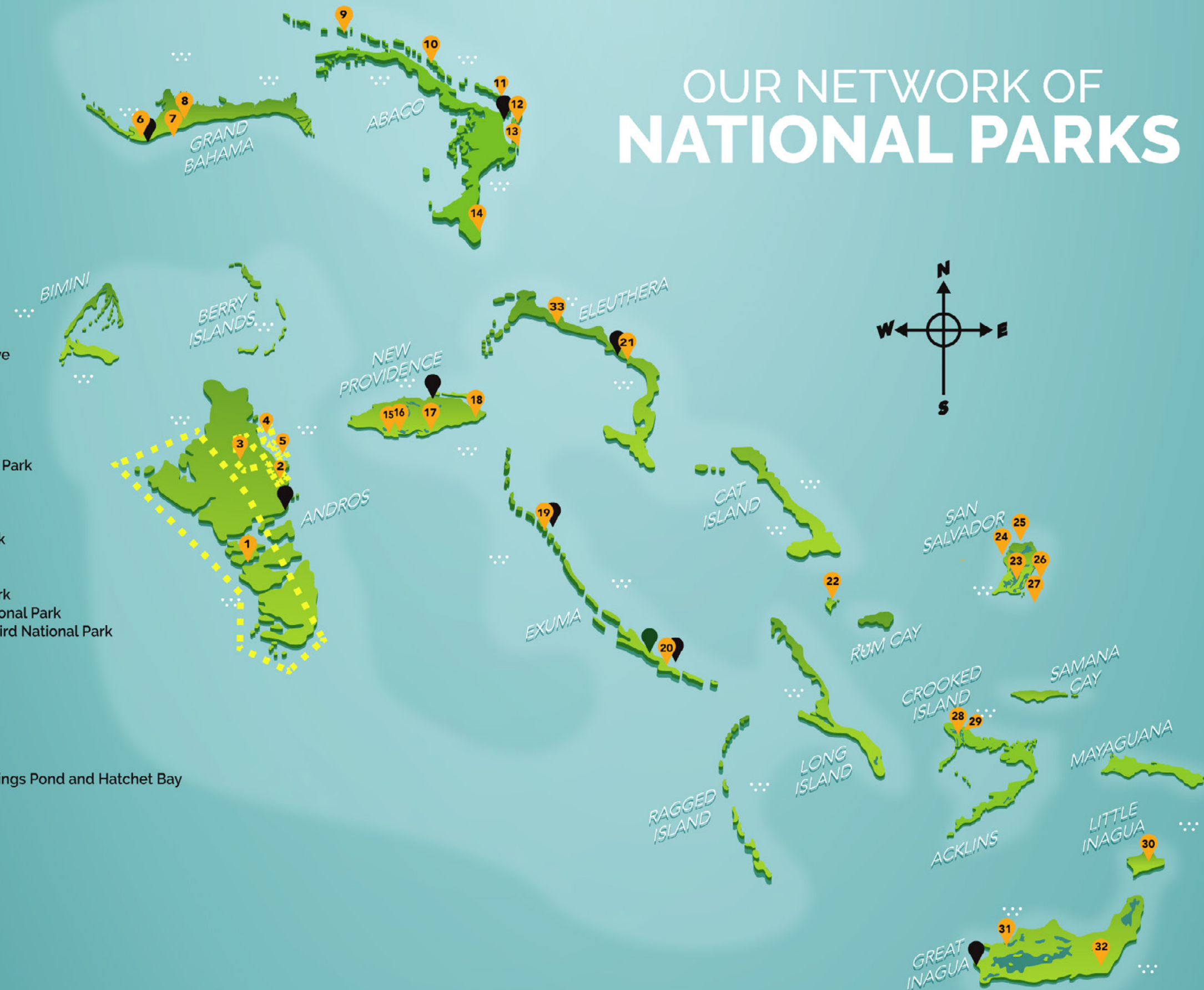




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“30
THOUSAND
people visited
our national parks”



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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

As I reflect on the past year, I am struck by the Bahamas National Trust leadership’s overwhelming commitment to embracing change. In developing our new five-year strategic plan, our leadership team recognized that evolving our organisational structure was essential. This involved a conceptual shift: reaffirming that our primary priority is the effective management of our national parks. We have committed to significant capital improvements and enhancing visitor experiences, ensuring that every action we take supports our parks. Throughout the year, I have been heartened by feedback from staff who recognise that our present actions and mindset are building a necessary and vibrant future.

I am deeply grateful to our dedicated Advancement Team. This group is committed to long-range financial planning and the hard work required to achieve our vision. Similarly, our Education and Outreach team has created innovative park experiences for all ages.

During this period, 30,000 people visited our national parks, and our Annual National Parks Day introduced over 2,000 visitors to protected areas in New Providence, Grand Bahama, Eleuthera, and Inagua.

We also continue to strengthen our membership base. Increased communication and several well-received member events contributed to a 33% increase in new memberships over the previous reporting period.

Furthermore, we have invested in human capacity by training our wardens in enforcement procedures in partnership with the Royal Bahamas Police Force. Parks and outreach personnel also received emergency first aid and other professional development training to strengthen operational readiness and public engagement capacity. Through disciplined management and the generosity of our supporters, we have maintained a strong financial position.



Joanne Smith
Council President

From July 2024 through June 2025, our fundraising efforts yielded \$535,421, supporting infrastructure projects, increased capacity, and human resource improvements. Our Council governance also continues to develop, with members serving on Standing Committees to gain a deeper understanding of BNT’s operations.

None of these accomplishments would be possible without you—to our staff, whose passion is the engine of our progress; to our Council, for their steady guidance; and to our donors and partners, for your unwavering trust—thank you!

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

It is a privilege to reflect on the accomplishments and strategic evolution of the Bahamas National Trust over the past year.

This period marks a significant milestone as we transition to a new fiscal cycle (July 2024 – June 2025) and complete the first year of our ambitious new Strategic Plan.

Over the past year, we undertook a critical review of our organisational framework. Guided by our legacy yet driven by the modern realities of climate change and expanding conservation demands, BNT engaged in a thoughtful, phased restructuring process. This new organisational design strengthens our capacity for effective park management, advances sustainable financing, and

revitalizes both long-standing and emerging partnerships. While we recognise that we have not yet reached our full operational potential, this phased restructuring has filled critical gaps and positioned BNT to support a growing business and conservation portfolio. This includes enhanced park experiences and the development of revenue-generating infrastructure. With the continued support of the Government of The Bahamas and our Council, these changes ensure BNT is equipped to manage the increasing scope and complexity of our national park system.

Strategic execution began with the completion of the Parks Monitoring and Reporting Plan by our Science and Parks Teams. This data-driven framework now serves as a cornerstone for adaptive management, enabling us to better safeguard our diverse ecosystems and culturally significant sites.

Our capacity for terrestrial conservation was further strengthened by the addition of an Invasive Species Coordinator and a Terrestrial Science Officer. A notable success this year was the Inagua National Park Invasive Species Management programme. Through collaboration with local hunters and Park Wardens, we successfully improved the management of wild hog populations in the park. As a direct result of these interventions, the Inagua Flamingos successfully nested in 2025, an encouraging and tangible demonstration of the impact of active management.

Our Membership and Education teams worked in lockstep to bring the magic of our national parks to the public. Through immersive experiences such as Bush Tea Tastings and Snake Handling Workshops, we engaged over 1,000 members during the year.

Our outreach efforts continue to reach communities across the archipelago:

- **National Parks Day** welcomed residents island-wide to explore and celebrate their natural heritage.
- **Summer Safari** returned in June, providing outdoor learning experiences for 150 children across five islands.
- **Total Impact:** Since the start of 2024, our Education team has engaged 11,795 individuals through school visits, park interactions, and public presentations.

In a historic advancement for regional conservation, the Government of The Bahamas launched the Bahamas Debt Conversion Project for Marine Conservation in November 2024. This initiative is expected to generate \$124 million over the next 15 years.

Managed by the Bahamas Protected Areas Fund (BPAF), these funds will provide BNT and our partners with reliable, long-term financing to support high-impact conservation efforts.

We are also proud to announce the approval of park expansion leases for several key areas, including Peterson Cay National Park, Lucayan National Park, Moriah Harbour Cay National Park, Conception Island National Park, Little Inagua National Park and Inagua National Park. These areas are vital spawning grounds for grouper and bonefish as well as critical mangrove and coral reef ecosystems.

Technological innovation has also taken centre stage to further advance our enforcement and monitoring capacity. Thanks to The Builder's Initiative and the GEF 2020 Project, Park Wardens are now utilising fixed-wing drone technology for aerial surveillance, allowing for more efficient responses to illegal poaching and fishing activities in remote areas.

While Sweetings Pond at Seahorse National Park remains closed to the public, meaningful progress has been made towards its operations. Our priority remains the protection of Sweetings Pond—home to the world's densest seahorse population—while laying the foundation for a world-class educational and conservation experience. Hatchet Bay Cave remains open for public visitation.

To strengthen BNT's long-term financial health, our Finance team is developing a Concessions and Commercial Use Programme to guide responsible and sustainable business operations within park boundaries. In parallel, further diversifying our income streams. Additionally, the Advancement Committee, led by Past Council President Geoff Andrews, has launched a bold campaign to raise \$1 million to support our ongoing mission.

Building a sustainable future for The Bahamas requires more than internal reform; it demands strong partnerships and a shared vision for conservation. As we move forward, BNT remains committed to transparency, accountability, and delivering tangible conservation results. We are deeply grateful to our donors, the Government of The Bahamas, and our members for standing with us as we work to protect the natural beauty that defines our nation.

**Lakeshia
Anderson-Rolle**
Executive Director



CONSERVATION GIANTS: FROM 1-33

On July 13, 2024, the Bahamas National Trust marked 65 years of conservation leadership. On that day in 1959, the Government of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas passed the Bahamas National Trust Act, establishing BNT as the organization responsible for managing the national parks of The Bahamas.

At its inception, BNT was entrusted with the management of the Exuma Cays Land and Sea Park (ECLSP), the first land and sea park of its kind in the Western Hemisphere. Shortly thereafter, the Inagua National Park (INP) was established, laying the foundation for what would become one of the most significant protected area systems in the wider Caribbean. Over the decades, these pioneering parks have become

global symbols of conservation success. In 2018, ECLSP received the prestigious Blue Park Award designation, recognizing its exceptional commitment to marine conservation and effective management practices.

Inagua National Park (INP) has also achieved international recognition. Through a historic partnership between the National Audubon and BNT, the flamingo population was brought back from the brink of extinction – from 5,000 to more than 60,000 today, a true conservation success story. In recognition of its ecological significance, INP became The Bahamas' first, and still only, site designation under the Ramsar Convention on Wetlands of International Significance, highlighting its global value as a critical wetland ecosystem.

Since 1959, the national park system has expanded to include 33 national parks and protected areas, safeguarding more than two million acres of terrestrial and marine ecosystems across the Bahamian archipelago.

Our newest national park, Seahorse National Park at Sweetings Pond and Hatchet Bay Cave in Eleuthera, protects the highest known density of seahorses in the world. This extraordinary site underscores the ecological uniqueness of The Bahamas and the continued evolution of the national park system.

Today, BNT continues to work closely with the Government of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas, local communities, scientists, and local and international partner organisations

to strengthen and expand the national protected areas network. These efforts support the nation's commitment to protecting at least 20% of our nearshore and marine environment, while also ensuring that conservation contributes to sustainable livelihoods.

Central to BNT's mandate is not only the protection of these remarkable places, but also the advancement of science, education and stewardship. Through research partnerships, community engagement, and environmental education and outreach, BNT promotes sustainable resource management and advocates for the long-term protection of our natural resources.





VISION

A comprehensive network of effectively managed Bahamian national parks and protected areas that is recognised as a powerful force for global biodiversity conservation which is supported and enjoyed by the public



MISSION

The Bahamas National Trust is a science-based organisation dedicated to effectively managing national parks to conserve and protect Bahamian natural resources.



BNT AT A GLANCE



33

PARKS PROTECTED



81

STAFF MEMBERS



16

PARK WARDENS



30,000

PARK VISITS



500+

NEW MEMBERSHIPS



1,800

MANGROVES PLANTED



\$535,421

TOTAL FUNDS RAISED
through events & programmes



13,000

INDIVIDUALS ENGAGED
through education & outreach



204

INVASIVE SPECIES REMOVED

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2024-2025

LAUNCH & EARLY IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2024–2029 STRATEGIC PLAN

In 2024, BNT finalized and successfully launched its 2024–2029 Strategic Plan, providing a clear, unified roadmap for conservation impact, organisational growth and financial sustainability.

During the first year of implementation, the Strategic Plan was operationalized across departments, aligning annual workplans, budgets, and performance measures with its five strategic pillars. This marked an important shift toward results-based planning and strengthened accountability across the organisation.



65 YEARS OF CONSERVATION LEADERSHIP CELEBRATED AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

In October 2024, BNT commemorated its 65th Anniversary during its Annual General Meeting, marking more than six decades of conservation leadership in The Bahamas.

As part of this milestone, BNT presented Legacy Awards to individuals whose contributions have had a lasting impact on conservation science, and protected area management:

- Dr. Karen Bjorndal and Dr. Alan Bolten for their decades of marine research and global contributions to sea turtle conservation
- Bob & Jeanne Coughlin: for their sustained support to Moriah Harbour Cay National Park
- Dr. Heather Mason for advancing science at Seahorse National Park
- Dr. Caroline Stahala for her work supporting Bahama Parrot research in Abaco National Park



SIGNATURE FUNDRAISING EVENTS STRENGTHEN CONSERVATION SUPPORT

BNT’s flagship fundraising events continued to grow in impact and visibility, strengthening both financial support and public engagement.

Wine and Art Festival October 2024 brought together art, culture, and conservation, generating strong community participation and donor support.

Christmas Jollification November 2024 remained the cornerstone holiday event in Nassau, raising significant funds for the upkeep of The Retreat Garden, while engaging families, corporate partners, and volunteers.



Festival Noël December 2024 continues to serve as Grand Bahama Island’s signature holiday event, blending conservation and community celebration. The event brings together chefs and bakers across the island to compete for the coveted Chef Noël and Sweet Noël titles, adding a dynamic culinary showcase to the festivities. The event is Grand Bahama’s first Wine Tasting and Art Event, which supports the three Grand Bahama parks.

Art in Bloom March 2025 is a vibrant celebration of Bahamian art, culture, and community held at the Leon Levy Native Plant Preserve. The event showcases local artists, craftspeople, culinary vendors, and entertainers while supporting conservation and educational initiatives at The Preserve.

Annual Cuban Pig Roast April 2025 successfully raised funds to support infrastructure development at Bonefish Pond National Park, directly linking fundraising to tangible conservation outcomes.

EXPANDING COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND NATIONAL PARTICIPATION

National Parks Day April 2025 saw participation across multiple islands, encouraging Bahamians to explore and celebrate their national parks.

Diver Safety and Fish Pot Workshops in Long Island, Abaco, Eleuthera and Exuma promoted sustainable marine practices and community safety.



Conception Island National Park Community Meetings April 2025 advanced inclusive management planning through stakeholder engagement.

Life Members Recognition Event January 2025 honoured long-standing supporters and reinforced BNT’s culture of appreciation and stewardship.



CONSERVATION & SCIENCE

PROTECTING ECOSYSTEMS THROUGH SCIENCE LED MANAGEMENT

The Bahamas National Trust continued to strengthen its science-driven approach to conservation. Through invasive species management, research, monitoring and capacity building, the organisation advanced coordinated actions across national parks to protect biodiversity, restore ecosystems and improve long-term park resilience.

DEVELOPING A NATIONAL FRAMEWORK

The Science and Policy Department advanced the development of an Invasive Alien Species Strategy and Action Plan to guide how invasive species are identified, managed and monitored across the national park system. This strategy will serve as a unified framework for reducing the ecological impacts of invasive species within Bahamian national parks.

As part of this process, an internal case study was conducted to assess current invasive species management practices across national parks. The assessment identified priority invasive species, evaluated the effectiveness of existing control approaches, and outlined recommendations for future management tailored to each park's specific needs. Because invasive species management intersects with multiple areas of BNT's operations, the strategy development

process involved consultations across departments to define shared goals, objectives and practical actions that can be implemented collaboratively across the organisation.

ON-THE-GROUND INVASIVE SPECIES CONTROL

Active invasive species management continued across several national parks throughout the year, delivering measurable conservation results.

At Lucayan National Park and Bonefish Pond National Park, targeted removal of invasive plant species supported habitat restoration and ecosystem health under the GEF 2020 Project.

On Great Inagua, invasive species management remained a major focus through the ongoing Predator Control Programme. Park wardens conducted 50 feral hog hunting exercises. A total of 271 feral hogs were observed, with 133, or approximately 49 percent, removed using a range of approved methods. This programme remains essential for protecting native species and sensitive habitats.

In Abaco National Park, invasive predator control efforts focused on feral cats, which pose the most serious threat to the endangered endemic Bahama Parrot. The park was established specifically to protect the species' nesting, breeding, and foraging habitat. Unlike most parrots, the Bahama Parrot nests in underground limestone cavities making it especially vulnerable to ground based predators. Managing feral

cats is therefore critical to maintaining viable parrot populations and achieving the park's conservation objectives. During the 2024–2025 fiscal year, six feral cats were removed from neighbouring communities surrounding the park, while 85 raccoons were captured and removed from nearby areas to further reduce threats to native wildlife and sensitive habitats.

Dune restoration efforts in Moriah Harbour Cay National Park focused on the removal of invasive Australian pine and sea lettuce which threaten native vegetation dune stability and seabird nesting habitat. Between February and March 2025, nine restoration outings were conducted across priority sites engaging 39 volunteers who contributed approximately 185 volunteer hours. These efforts build on work initiated in 2024, which has resulted in the removal of approximately 20 acres of Australian pine and the complete eradication of the species from Fowl Cay. Early signs of ecological recovery were observed with native vegetation beginning to return to restored dune systems.

GRANT SUPPORTED INVASIVE SPECIES MANAGEMENT

In July 2025, BNT received approval under the tenth call for large grants from the Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund (CEPF). The approved project, titled Strengthening Management and Monitoring in Blue Holes National Park, will support invasive species management through three key components.

These include conducting an Invasive Alien Species Feasibility Assessment, finalizing the Blue Holes National Park Operational Plan, and implementing standardised monitoring through the National Park Monitoring and Reporting System (NPRMS). Finalization of the grant agreement is currently underway, and project implementation is expected to begin in the upcoming period.



STRENGTHENING SCIENCE BASED DECISION MAKING

BNT continued to advance research and monitoring across multiple national parks to inform management decisions and evaluate conservation success.



At Moriah Harbour Cay National Park, monitoring covered a range of key species and habitats, including queen conch (*Aliger gigas*), Caribbean spiny lobster (*Panulirus argus*), native Bahamian rock iguanas (*Cyclura rileyi cristata*), and seagrass habitats dominated by turtle grass (*Thalassia testudinum*). Monitoring also included seabirds and shorebirds, including least terns (*Sternula antillarum*) as well as associated biophysical conditions.

Conch surveys were conducted across approximately 15 sites during the breeding season, while seagrass monitoring continued at six long-term sites to maintain continuity with historical datasets. Iguana surveys were conducted every four months and were further strengthened by a May 2025 field visit from an academic partner to standardise monitoring protocols.

The Moriah Harbour Cay National Park Conch Hatchery also contributed to monitoring through the collection of queen conch egg masses and continuous sea temperature monitoring within the hatchery system. Education outreach linked to the hatchery reached approximately 285 students through presentations on conch aquaculture.

Abaco National Park, monitoring efforts focused on the endangered Bahama Parrot in collaboration with partners, including The Nature Conservancy (TNC). Nesting and population monitoring took place from April through June and will continue through August. Results indicated lower than anticipated nesting activity, with only one of 76 historical nesting sites found to be active. Findings suggest that prolonged absence of fire has allowed dense understory growth to obscure traditional nesting cavities, reinforcing the need for prescribed fire management, now being advanced by BNT and partners for November 2026.



INVESTING IN PEOPLE & PARTNERSHIPS

Capacity building remained a cornerstone of BNT's conservation strategy.

The Science and Policy team hosted annual internships in July 2024 and June 2025, selecting three interns each year from a competitive pool of applicants. Interns gained exposure to Bahamian ecosystems, species conservation practices, and professional development opportunities, including participation in national youth conferences.

A longer-term internship also supported a former intern in completing a Geographic Information System (GIS) certificate at a partner university. Her project compared trail mapping methodologies to identify cost-effective and efficient approaches. The outputs enhanced infrastructure mapping at Primeval Forest National Park and The Retreat Garden, providing valuable data to support park management.

Under the Global Environment Facility (GEF) funded Project Meeting the Challenge of 2020 in The Bahamas, staff and partners continued ecosystem and species monitoring at five national parks, while providing hands-on training to site-based teams. This training strengthened local capacity and improved consistency in data collection.

In September 2024, BNT led invasive species removal workshops in New Providence and Grand Bahama bringing together representatives from government agencies, academic institutions and conservation partners. These workshops combined classroom learning with field demonstrations to build practical skills for invasive species management.

Staff also participated in science communications training designed to help researchers translate complex scientific concepts into accessible narratives for broader audiences supporting stronger public engagement and understanding of conservation science.



NATIONAL PARKS MANAGEMENT



Through coordinated conservation action, strengthened enforcement readiness, climate-smart planning, and sustained infrastructure investment, the Bahamas National Trust continues to advance its mandate to protect and manage the nation's national parks for present and future generations. The following highlights reflect key initiatives and measurable progress.

BAHAMA PARROT FERAL ANIMAL CONTROL AND INVASIVE SPECIES MANAGEMENT

Protecting native wildlife remains a core responsibility of BNT, particularly in parks where invasive predators threaten vulnerable species.

At Abaco National Park, the Bahama Parrot nests in ground cavities, making it especially vulnerable to raccoons and feral cats. In early 2024, The Abaco Club at Winding Bay donated 50 traps, enabling Park Wardens to expand trapping efforts beyond park boundaries and engage trained community volunteers.

At Lucayan National Park and Rand Nature Centre, continued removal of cats and raccoons remains essential to safeguarding biodiversity, particularly as these sites provide important habitat for bird species.

BNT is advancing a comprehensive invasive species strategy to address both plant and animal threats across the national park system, while also advocating for a national invasive species framework, particularly as populations of green iguanas continue to increase across the country.

UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLE (UAV) PROGRAMME

The Bahamas National Trust is significantly strengthening its enforcement efforts through the strategic expansion of its Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) programme. By integrating aerial surveillance into its daily operations, BNT is enhancing its ability to monitor protected areas and respond to environmental violations.

The programme has progressed through a structured rollout to ensure both technical precision and regulatory compliance:

- **September 2024:** Selected Park Wardens completed theoretical training.
- **December 2024:** The UAV equipment received and inventoried.
- **Current Phase:** Final assembly and flight reviews underway under the guidance of the drone consultant.
- **September 2025:** Practical pilot training is scheduled for completion, leading to full operational status.

In coordination with the Civil Aviation Authority of The Bahamas, the programme ensures regulatory compliance while enabling wardens to effectively monitor remote and hard-to-access areas. Once fully operational, UAV technology will significantly enhance real-time surveillance and enforcement across the archipelago's national parks.

MANAGEMENT PLANNING AND CLIMATE-SMART INTEGRATION

BNT is advancing a modern Climate-Smart approach to national park management across several key national parks.

Central to this effort is the management plan for Conception Island National Park, which is currently being developed following community engagement activities held in April 2025. The revised climate-smart planning process is expected to serve as a model for future park management initiatives.

At the same time, BNT is finalizing zoning frameworks for Lucayan National Park and Bonefish Pond National Park, while preparing for stakeholder engagement at Inagua National Park in late 2025.

This work is supported through a year-long partnership with the Reef Resilience Network of The Nature Conservancy, which trained 39 agency representatives to integrate climate science and resilience-based strategies into long-term park management goals.

INFRASTRUCTURE AND PARK IMPROVEMENTS

BNT continues to invest in infrastructure improvements across the islands to enhance visitor safety, accessibility, and conservation management.

Key upgrades include:

- Reconstruction of viewing decks at the Rand Nature Centre.
- Trail and mooring replacements at Exuma Cays Land and Sea Park.
- Installation of safety handrails and new arbor gate at Lucayan National Park.
- Relocation of the Seahorse National Park mobile office.
- Reconstruction of the deck at Primeval Forest National Park’s Marine Fossil Grotto.



CONNECTING WITH OUR NATIONAL PARKS



Across the islands of The Bahamas, national parks are more than protected spaces. They are living classrooms, gathering places, and entry points for people to build meaningful connections with nature. Guided by three strategic priorities, the Education and Outreach Department focused on expanding meaningful public access to national parks, strengthening youth and community stewardship, and improving public understanding of protected areas. Through school programming, community engagement, public events, interpretive infrastructure, and stakeholder dialogue, the department reinforced the role of national parks as relevant, accessible, and valued public assets.

A NATIONAL REACH THROUGH EDUCATION

More than 13,000 individuals were engaged through education and outreach programming. Engagement extended across New Providence, Grand Bahama, Eleuthera, Andros, Exuma, Cat Island, Inagua, and Long Island, ensuring that conservation education reached communities beyond the capital.

National Park Experiences remained central to this work. Students explored mangroves, pineforests, wetlands, and coastal ecosystems as outdoor classrooms, learning directly from the landscapes they are being taught to protect. These experiences strengthened understanding of biodiversity, conservation science, and national heritage, while increasing visitation and fostering pride in protected areas.

Community events extended the department’s impact beyond formal school programming. Treats and Trails, one of the year’s standout activations, welcomed 600 participants, families, youth groups, and community members — reinforcing that conservation spaces are places of joy as much as learning. Events like Family Night, Movie Night, and Bush Tea Workshops drew consistent attendance throughout the year, transforming parks into welcoming neighbourhood gathering spaces rather than distant protected reserves.

**BUILDING THE NEXT
GENERATION OF STEWARDS**

Youth engagement remained a defining priority. Day camps and summer programmes were implemented across six islands, giving children immersive, place-based environmental experiences. Despite staffing constraints in some Family Islands, the department sustained delivery across operational sites and achieved meaningful growth in engagement, particularly in Eleuthera.

The most significant visitor engagement initiative this year is the Junior Naturalist self-guided tour, which advanced substantially during the reporting period. Activity booklets have been conceptualized, and corporate sponsorship from RBC Capital Markets has been confirmed, positioning the self-guided tour for launch in the coming year.

The Junior Naturalist self-guided tour is designed to provide young visitors with an engaging way to explore national parks while learning about Bahamian wildlife, habitats and conservation. Through activity booklets completed at their own pace, participants are encouraged to develop a lasting appreciation for the natural environment.

**COMMUNITY DIALOGUE &
STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT**

National Parks Day in 2025 brought simultaneous coordinated programming across five sites; The Retreat Garden, Primeval Forest National Park, Rand Nature Centre, Inagua National Park, and Leon Levy Native Plant Preserve. This multi-site delivery reflected growing organisational capacity and reinforced the idea that national parks belong to all Bahamians, not just those in Nassau.

Stakeholder engagement also expanded through community focus groups and consultation meetings held in Long Island, Abaco, Eleuthera, Exuma, and the Exuma Cays. These conversations were designed to gather feedback, strengthen community trust, and ensure that management decisions reflect local perspectives, a critical input as we advance Climate-Smart Management Plans across the park system.

Targeted marine workshops in Long Island, Abaco, Eleuthera, and Exuma provided training in sustainable fishing practices and diver safety, supporting both conservation outcomes and the livelihoods of communities whose daily lives are tied to these ecosystems.



**A GROWING CULTURE
OF STEWARDSHIP**

Volunteers made meaningful contributions to park maintenance and programming throughout the year, supporting events, conservation activities, and educational programming. Corporate volunteers assisted with maintenance and event operations at The Retreat Garden, while civic groups and individuals supported programming at National Parks Day and the Christmas Jollification. Their contributions extended the department’s reach during peak programming periods.

BNT’s capacity to build and sustain a formal Volunteer Stewardship Programme, one with structured recruitment, training, and impact tracking aligned with the 2024–2029 Strategic Plan, remains a priority. Establishing that infrastructure will allow volunteer contributions to be measured not just in hours but in conservation and community outcomes.

**CONSERVATION IS
SUSTAINED BY PEOPLE**

The Education and Outreach Department’s work this year reflects a simple but enduring truth: conservation is not sustained by policy alone. It is sustained by people who understand, value, and actively choose to protect what is around them. From the 13,000 individuals reached through programming, to hundreds of families gathering at community events, to the children who will experience the Junior Naturalist self-guided tour, this is the work that makes everything else possible.





FUELING THE FUTURE



MEMBERSHIP, EVENTS & FUNDRAISING

The Bahamas National Trust is sustained by a strong and diverse community of members, donors, sponsors, and partners who believe in the importance of protecting the nation's national parks. Membership and philanthropic support provide the foundation that allows BNT to carry out conservation, education, and stewardship across The Bahamas.

This section highlights the strength of our membership community, the impact of donor generosity, and the partnerships that continue to expand our reach and deepen our impact.

MEMBERSHIP GROWTH AND ENGAGEMENT

Members power the mission of the Bahamas National Trust. Our members make it possible for BNT to protect special places and species while fostering a strong culture of environmental stewardship.

During the year, membership activity including new members and renewals reflected steady engagement and growth across all membership categories

MEMBERSHIP OVERVIEW

Period	Individual	Family	Corporate	Lifetime	Student
July 2024 to June 2025	708	843	3	39	20

Beyond these figures, BNT remains focused on cultivating long-term relationships with members. As outlined in the Strategic Plan, strengthening engagement with our members so that they feel valued, connected, and motivated is priority for BNT. The goal is not simply to collect membership fees, but to foster a community of conservation stewards who are personally invested in protecting national parks, ecosystems, and biodiversity.

MEMBERSHIP REWARDS PROGRAMME

To enhance the membership experience, BNT continued to expand its Membership Rewards Programme, which provides exclusive benefits through partnerships with local businesses.

During the reporting period, the programme included nine participating businesses, with five located in New Providence and four in Grand Bahama. Looking ahead, BNT plans to approach an additional 20 businesses in the upcoming quarter, including fifteen in New Providence and five in Grand Bahama. This programme adds tangible value to membership while strengthening relationships with businesses that share a commitment to conservation and community support.

HONOURING LIFETIME MEMBERS

On January 30, 2025, BNT hosted a Lifetime Membership Reception in Nassau to recognise individuals whose long-term commitment has made a lasting impact on conservation efforts. Approximately 25 Lifetime Members attended, as part of a total gathering of 70 guests.

Lifetime Members were presented with branded wine glasses and cutting boards as tokens of appreciation. The event was well received and provided a meaningful opportunity for recognition, engagement, and connection with some of BNT's most dedicated supporters.

DONOR STEWARDSHIP

Donor stewardship is a critical part of BNT’s fundraising approach. The organisation is committed to building and nurturing meaningful relationships with donors after a gift is made, regardless of the size of the contribution.

While attracting new donors remains important, BNT places equal emphasis on maintaining strong relationships with existing supporters. This approach reflects the belief that long-term conservation success is built through trust, engagement, and sustained partnerships rather than one time contributions.

DONOR IMPACT STORIES

Highlights from 2024



Sven and Kristen Lindblad, through the Wanderlust Fund, have supported BNT since 2023, providing annual contributions of at least \$10,000 toward education initiatives and unrestricted priorities. In 2024, their support funded the Storytelling and Media Internship, which provided 2 Bahamian college students with a multi week professional learning experience focused on environmental communication. This initiative supported emerging conservation advocates while strengthening BNT’s capacity to connect people to nature through storytelling.

In the same year, Sagoma Construction contributed \$25,000 to Seahorse National Park during the Annual Pig Roast. Combined with additional donor support, this

contribution enabled the purchase of an office trailer for the park, marking an important milestone toward improving infrastructure and advancing plans to make the park visitor ready.

Giving Tuesday December 2024 raised a total of \$82,490. This total reinforced the strength of BNT’s donor base. Strategic digital outreach helped drive engagement, and continued support from returning donors played a key role in the campaign’s success.

Major contributions included \$15,000 each from D’Albenas and Mr. Frank Crothers, \$10,000 from Bahamas First Insurance, \$5,000 each from Amanda Lindroth, Windsor Trustees, J. S. Johnson, and Avis Rent A Car. These results underscore the importance of sustained donor relationships and provide a strong foundation for future fundraising efforts.

ADVANCEMENT AND AMBASSADOR LEADERSHIP

During the reporting period, the Advancement Committee advanced development of a new Ambassador Committee designed to expand fundraising reach and deepen relationships with mission-aligned partners. This initiative empowers a select group of committed supporters to confidently share BNT’s story, communicate funding priorities, including the importance of the Heritage Fund Endowment, and engage prospective donors through peer-to-peer outreach.

Ambassadors work alongside Advancement Committee members through one-to-one engagement and small group gatherings. Participants take part in regular meetings and receive tailored briefings and talking points to support informed, mission-driven conversations. Selection criteria include consistent philanthropic support, strong community networks, a willingness to engage others, and a clear understanding of the role philanthropy plays in sustaining BNT and the BNT Foundation.

SPONSORSHIP IMPACT

Corporate sponsorship plays a major role in the success of BNT’s fundraising events. Sponsorship support, combined with the dedication of volunteers, enables BNT to maximise net proceeds and deliver high quality community events across multiple islands.



In 2024, the Wine and Art Festival secured Commonwealth Brewery Limited as its title sponsor, providing \$50,000 in in-kind support and a \$5,000 cash contribution. Festival Noël 2025 was supported by Jimmy’s Wines and Spirits through a \$50,000 in-kind title sponsorship. Sponsorship benefits included marketing exposure, recognition across BNT communication channels, logo placement, media opportunities, and event access.

A cadre of loyal sponsors continued to support the annual Christmas Jollification. As the lead sponsor, Commonwealth Bank contributed \$10,000 in cash, along with volunteer support valued at more than \$10,000. Bristol Wines and Spirits, Jimmy’s Wines and Spirits and Caribbean Wines and Spirits provided in-kind support of \$15,000 and monetary support of \$10,000. The event raised over \$100,000 in support of the Retreat Garden.

MAJOR GRANTS AND PHILANTHROPIC INVESTMENT

Several major grants were awarded during the reporting period. The Aqualia Foundation provided \$49,750 to support a feasibility study advancing the BNT Heritage Fund Endowment. Since 2019, the Foundation has contributed a cumulative total of \$635,000 to BNT. In 2025, the Baha Mar Foundation continued its philanthropic partnership with BNT through contributions totaling \$60,000. This included \$30,000 in support of conservation initiatives and an additional \$30,000 donated during the Pig Roast fundraiser to support Bonefish Pond National Park.

Sagoma Construction also made a significant investment through 2 contributions totaling \$50,000, restricted to Seahorse National Park and Bonefish Pond National Park. Gifts of this magnitude strengthen BNT’s ability to respond strategically to priority needs while building long-term resilience across the park system.

CORPORATE AND PHILANTHROPIC PARTNERSHIPS

BNT is proud to recognise Sterling Global Financial and 2 Hoops Productions for their continued partnership through Comedy For A Cause. In 2025, BNT was named a beneficiary for the third consecutive year. Proceeds allocated to BNT included \$30,000 in 2023, \$20,000 in 2024, and \$37,500 in 2025.

The Nassau Paradise Island Promotion Board remains a valued strategic partner whose support has significantly elevated awareness and engagement for New Providence national parks. Based on industry benchmarks, the estimated marketing value of this partnership exceeds \$417,000, reflecting a substantial investment in conservation awareness through tourism engagement and digital storytelling.





VISION 2026

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES FOR THE BAHAMAS NATIONAL TRUST



FUNDRAISING EVENTS

Signature events continued to generate strong financial and community impact. Wine and Art 2024 doubled net revenue compared to 2023, generating \$73,546, up from \$34,323. Festival Noël 2024 continues to serve as BNT’s only fundraiser on Grand Bahama, and the highly anticipated festival celebrated art, wine, culture, and conservation while directly supporting Rand Nature Centre, Lucayan National Park, and Peterson Cay National Park.

Cuban Pig Roast 2025 sold out and generated proceeds totaling \$107,252, supporting the construction of a welcome centre at Bonefish Pond National Park to enhance visitor access, education, and community connection.

WITH THANKS TO OUR MEMBERS DONORS AND PARTNERS

The Bahamas National Trust extends its sincere gratitude to all members, donors, sponsors and corporate partners whose generosity and commitment make this work possible. Your support enables conservation, science, education, and stewardship efforts throughout The Bahamas.

Together, we are protecting national parks, supporting communities and ensuring a healthy environment for future generations.

As we look toward 2026, the Bahamas National Trust (BNT) is entering a pivotal year defined by a transition from traditional preservation to proactive, modern stewardship. Our focus remains steadfast on strengthening BNT’s leadership in conservation, education, and sustainable tourism. The strategic priorities for the upcoming year are designed to modernised our infrastructure, expand our educational footprint, and bolster our enforcement capabilities—ensuring the preservation of our natural heritage for generations to come.

At the heart of our 2026 vision is the pursuit of long-term financial independence. To ensure our work is not subject to the volatility of

annual cycles, we are launching a comprehensive Endowment Feasibility Study. This initiative is aimed at significantly increasing BNT’s Heritage Endowment Fund, providing a permanent bedrock for ongoing conservation projects and operational stability.

Complementing this is the official launch of our Commercial Use Programme. By enabling sustainable concessions and third-party vendors to operate within select national parks, we are creating a circular economy where local entrepreneurs thrive and the revenue generated is reinvested directly into park management. This programme will bridge the gap between economic opportunity and environmental Conservation in the modern era

requires a blend of boots-on-the-ground presence and high-tech solutions. To safeguard our biodiversity, we are implementing a comprehensive Invasive Species Strategy across priority parks to prevent and eradicate non-native threats.

Furthermore, we are elevating our protection efforts by certifying BNT Wardens as Drone Pilots. This enhancement in surveillance allows for real-time monitoring and a rapid response to violations in our most sensitive or remote areas. By integrating technology into our enforcement toolkit, we are ensuring that our “crown jewels” remain protected against illegal activity.

Our impact is most visible through our connection to the Bahamian people. This year, we are proud to introduce the Junior Naturalist self-guided tour, a new visitor experience designed to inspire youth engagement

To support these programmes and enhance the visitor experience, 2026 will see significant physical transformations across our park system:

- At Bonefish Pond National Park, construction begins on a new Visitor Centre and security gate to enhance safety and management.
- On Moriah Harbour Cay, we are breaking ground on a Visitor Centre that will serve as a hub for environmental education and sustainable tourism.

- Visitors to Lucayan National Park will benefit from vital upgrades to parking, entrance kiosks, and restrooms, ensuring the park remains a world-class destination.
- Finally, Seahorse National Park will celebrate the dedication of its Educational Pavilion and the groundbreaking of a Farmers and Craft Market, a space specifically designed to empower local artisans and farmers.

Through these integrated priorities, BNT is not just protecting land and sea; we are building a resilient, high-tech, and community-centred organisation that is prepared for the challenges of the future.

GOVERNANCE & LEADERSHIP



THE BAHAMAS DEBT CONVERSION PROJECT FOR MARINE CONSERVATION

In November 2024, The Bahamas took a bold and globally recognized step in aligning fiscal responsibility with environmental stewardship. The Bahamas Debt Conversion Project for Marine Conservation represents a pioneering financing initiative that transforms a portion of the country’s external commercial debt into long-term investment in marine conservation and climate resilience, without increasing the nation’s overall debt burden.

This initiative reflects a strategic shift in how conservation is funded. Rather than viewing environmental protection as a cost centre, the project positions marine stewardship as an integral component of national development and economic resilience. It strengthens The Bahamas’ commitment to protecting its ocean resources while advancing a sustainable blue economy.

KEY FACTS

- The Government of The Bahamas refinanced 300 million United States dollars of external commercial debt under favourable terms
- The transaction unlocks approximately 124 million US\$ in dedicated funding for marine conservation over 15 years
- Funding is managed by the Bahamas Protected Areas Fund
- Resources support marine protected area management, sustainable fisheries, climate-smart planning, and coastal resilience
- The project received the 2024 Latin America ESG Deal of the Year award

The Bahamas National Trust serves as a key conservation partner in this initiative. As caretakers of the national parks system and managers of the Marine Protected Area Network, BNT plays a central role in translating financial innovation into tangible conservation outcomes on the ground.



FROM NEGOTIATION
TO IMPLEMENTATION

During the reporting period of July 2024 to June 2025, the project transitioned from negotiation to operational launch. International recognition of the initiative affirmed The Bahamas’ leadership in sustainable finance and climate action, positioning the country as a global model for conservation finance.

To support implementation, legislative reforms were advanced, including amendments to the Bahamas Protected Areas Fund Act. These reforms strengthened the institutional framework supporting the project and expanded the Fund’s mandate to address capacity building, staffing, and operational needs essential for long-term conservation success.

By mid 2025, groundwork began for disbursing conservation funding to BNT and Government partners through the Bahamas Protected Areas Fund. Planning efforts focused on community-based projects, climate-smart marine protected area management, and participatory planning processes that ensure local engagement in conservation decision making.

STRENGTHENING
INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITY

A major milestone during this period was the full execution of the contractual agreement between BNT and the Bahamas Protected Areas Fund. This enabled BNT to

receive initial capacity development funding to support effective project implementation.

This investment is strengthening organisational systems, expanding Family Island operations, and supporting the relocation to a new headquarters. These steps are critical to enhancing on site management of national parks and improving delivery of conservation outcomes across the marine protected area network.

In parallel, a Capacity Assessment and Action Plan was initiated to identify and address institutional needs within both Government agencies and BNT. This structured approach ensures that the resources unlocked through the project are matched with the operational readiness required to achieve measurable impact.

A NEW ERA
OF CONSERVATION FINANCE

The Bahamas Debt Conversion Project for Marine Conservation marks the beginning of a new era in how conservation is financed and implemented. It demonstrates that environmental stewardship and fiscal prudence are not competing priorities, but complementary pillars of national resilience.

For BNT, the project provides a strengthened platform to enhance marine protected area management, deepen community engagement, and integrate climate-smart planning into long-term conservation strategies.



FINANCIAL
MANAGEMENT

OVERALL FINANCIAL POSITION

At the close of the 2025 Fiscal Year, the Bahamas National Trust recorded total revenues of \$7.01 million and total expenses of \$7.64 million, resulting in a change in net assets of –\$633,907. This outcome reflects continued strength in project-related funding and programme delivery, alongside persistent pressures on unrestricted revenue streams and rising operating costs.

Overall, FY 2025 demonstrates an organisation that remains mission-driven and operationally active, but one that must continue to rebalance its revenue mix to ensure long-term financial sustainability. While donor confidence in BNT’s conservation work remains strong, unrestricted revenues have not kept pace with rising costs of managing and protecting a growing national park system.

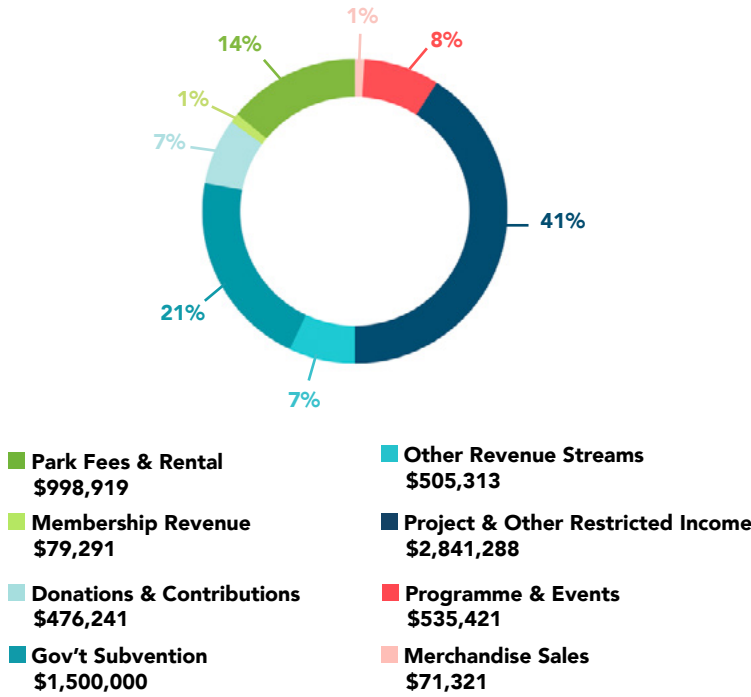
REVENUE PERFORMANCE

Park Usage and Earned Revenues – \$1,070,240

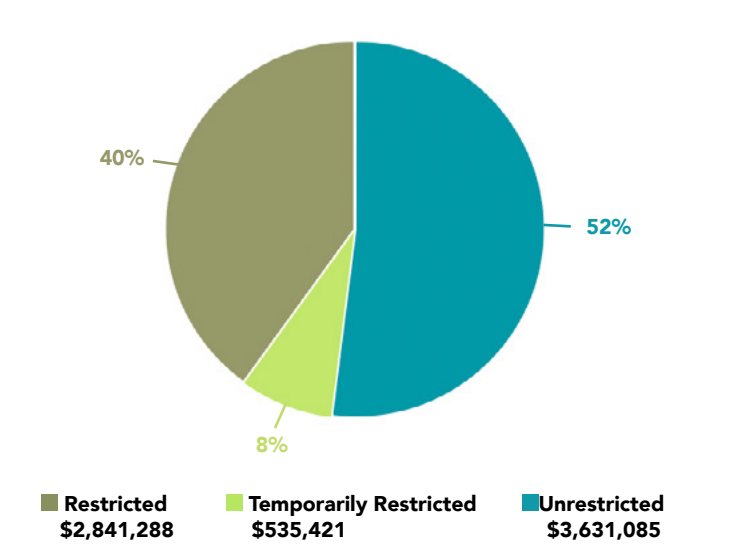
Revenues from park usage, including merchandise sales, mooring and anchorage fees, park tours, and garden rentals, totaled \$1.07 million during FY 2025, a 5% decrease from the previous year. Despite this decline, park usage revenues remain BNT’s primary source of unrestricted funding, directly supporting daily operations, including staffing, park patrols, maintenance, and administrative activities.

The year-over-year drop emphasizes the need to modernised and strengthen this revenue stream. In response, the organisation plans to enhance earned revenue in the upcoming fiscal year through small park user-fee adjustments aligned with market rates, the launch of a new Concessions Programme, and a third-party user-fee framework. These efforts aim to better capture the value of commercial and organised use of national parks while ensuring accessibility and supporting conservation goals.

REVENUE DISTRIBUTION FY 2025



TOTAL FY 2025 REVENUES



UNRESTRICTED DONATIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS – \$1,976,241

Unrestricted donations and contributions totaled \$1.98 million, a 14% decrease from the previous year. This amount includes \$1.5 million in annual government support and \$476,240 in unrestricted donations from individual and corporate supporters, with the latter dropping 40% year-over-year.

Unrestricted funding is critical to maintaining organisational flexibility and covering core operating costs that cannot be supported by restricted project funds. The decline in this revenue stream constrained BNT’s ability to absorb rising operating expenses and underscored the need to strengthen unrestricted fundraising efforts. Future strategies will place greater emphasis on unrestricted donor campaigns, corporate giving, and fundraising activities designed to generate flexible operating support.

MEMBERSHIP REVENUE – \$79,291

Membership revenue totaled \$79,291, a 11% year-over-year decrease, and accounted for approximately 1% of total revenue. As a membership-based organisation, this revenue stream represents an underdeveloped opportunity for both financial sustainability and supporter engagement.

Strengthening the membership programme is a strategic priority, as membership revenue provides predictable, recurring, unrestricted income and fosters long-term advocacy and public support for the national park system.

PROGRAMME AND EVENT REVENUE – \$535,421

Programme and event revenues totaled \$535,421, an 8% increase from the previous year. Growth was mainly driven by higher ticket sales and increased vendor booth participation. These results demonstrate the ongoing potential of events and programmes to generate revenue, expand public engagement, and advance fundraising and membership goals.

Within this category, educational programme revenues reached \$3,184, a 15% decrease from the prior year and less than 1% of total programme and event revenues. Although educational programming remains a vital part of BNT’s conservation and public engagement efforts, current revenue levels emphasize the need for a more structured and financially sustainable approach to programme development and delivery.

PROJECT AND OTHER RESTRICTED FUNDING – \$2,841,288

Project and other restricted funding totaled \$2.84 million, a 138% increase year-over-year. This growth was driven by higher levels of restricted contributions from individual and corporate donors, including a notable \$1 million donation from LVMH received during the third quarter of the fiscal year.

Restricted funds received during FY 2025 were allocated to high-priority conservation and operational initiatives, including infrastructure upgrades across multiple national parks, the acquisition of essential equipment for park operations and management, and efforts to remove invasive species and restore ecosystems. These investments enhanced BNT’s capacity to oversee the national park system and advance conservation goals. More detailed information on project activities and impacts is available in the Parks and Science Departments’ reports.

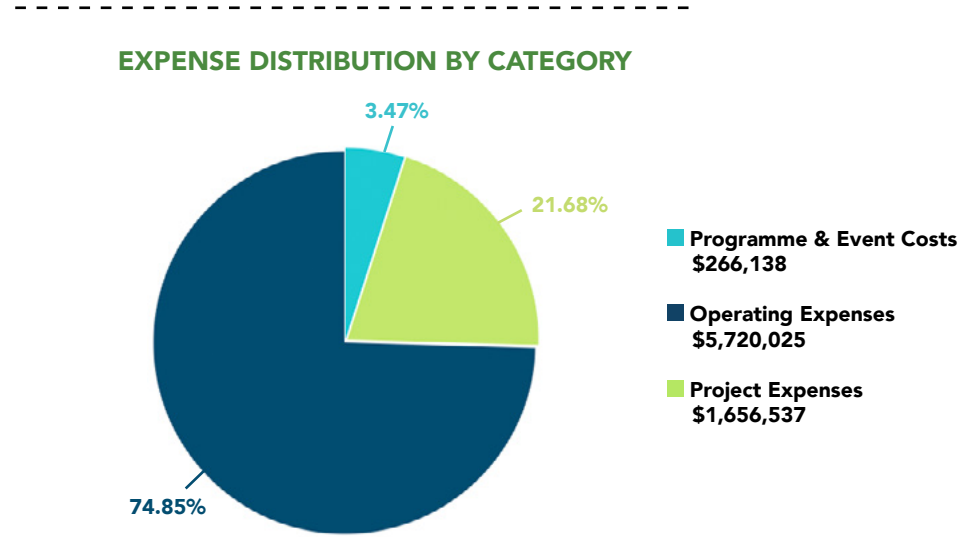
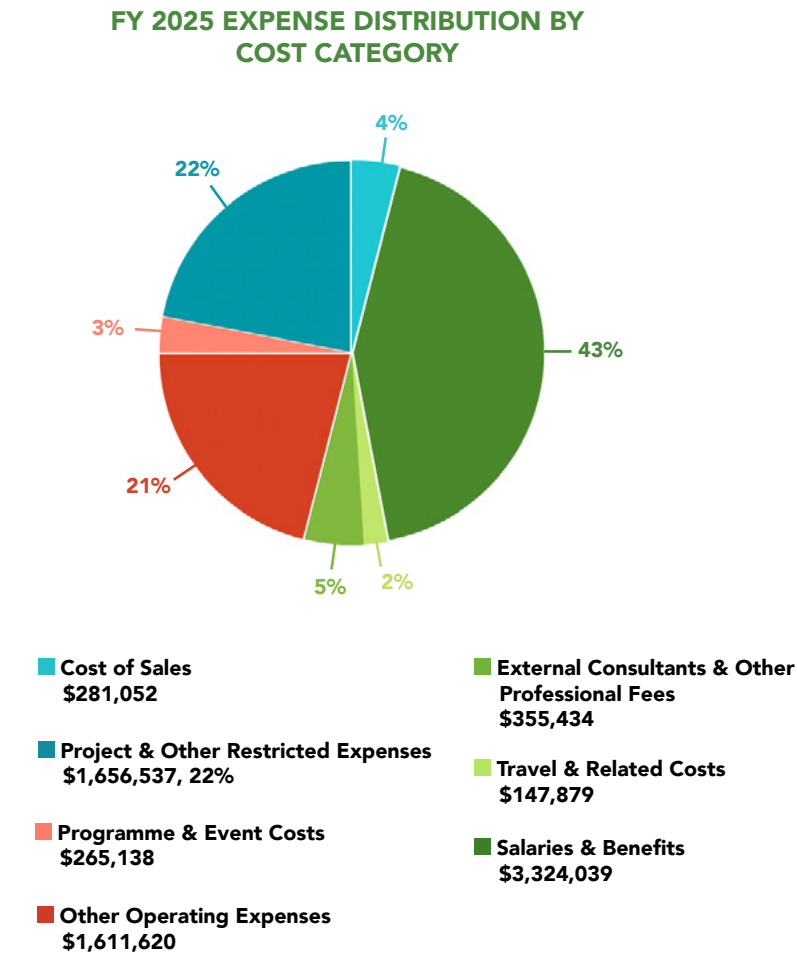
While restricted contributions increased markedly, project income recognized during the year decreased by 14%, primarily due to the timing of project implementation and revenue recognition across fiscal periods.

OTHER NON-OPERATING REVENUE – \$505,313

Other non-operating revenues, including interest, dividends, and miscellaneous income, totaled \$505,313, reflecting a 9% decrease year-over-year mainly due to lower investment income.

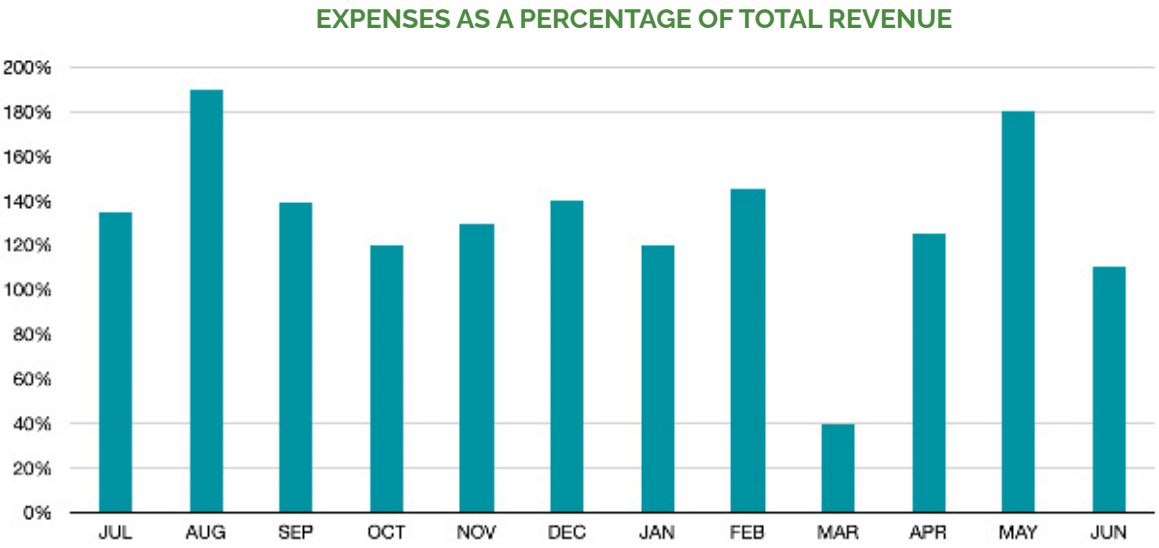
EXPENSE PERFORMANCE

Total expenses for FY 2025 increased by 14% compared to the previous year, reflecting both expanded programmatic activity and broader economic pressures.



- **Cost of Sales:** \$281,052, a 2% increase, driven primarily by higher fuel costs associated with park patrols.
- **Staffing Costs:** \$3.32 million, a 6% increase resulting from minimal staff additions and compensation adjustments to support retention and operational capacity.
- **Travel Costs:** \$147,879, a 13% decrease, reflecting continued cost containment efforts.
- **External Consultants and Professional Fees:** \$355,434, a 46% decrease, indicating reduced reliance on external services.
- **Other Operating Expenses:** \$1.61 million, a 20% increase due to rising insurance costs, repairs and maintenance, supplies, and inflationary pressures affecting the cost of operating across a geographically dispersed park system.
- **Programme and Event Costs:** \$265,138, a 1% increase, remaining largely stable despite higher event revenues.
- **Project and Restricted Costs:** \$1.66 million, an 85% increase from the previous year. This rise reflects the acceleration and completion of previously funded projects, as well as the initiation of new initiatives to enhance services and infrastructure within the park system.

These detailed increases across expense categories underscore the organization's commitment to expanding its operational capacity amid complex economic conditions.



STRENGTHENING FINANCIAL STABILITY & SUSTAINABILITY

Looking ahead, the Bahamas National Trust is implementing a series of measures to strengthen financial stability and build a more resilient funding model.

Key initiatives include enhancing existing earned revenue streams, particularly by improving monetisation of park usage. The introduction of the Concessions Programme and third-party user fee framework, along with modest park fee adjustments aligned with market benchmarks, is expected to increase unrestricted revenue while maintaining environmental stewardship and public access.

The organisation is also prioritising the reconstitution and long-term growth of its Endowment Fund, recognizing the importance of stable investment income to support core operations and mitigate revenue volatility.

Additionally, BNT is enhancing its project budgeting and financial management practices. Moving forward, project proposals will more regularly include Indirect

Cost Recovery (ICR) to ensure that operational and administrative costs related to project implementation are sufficiently funded. This strategy will help safeguard unrestricted operating resources while increasing the sustainability of project(s) delivery.

Together, these efforts demonstrate BNT’s dedication to disciplined financial management, diversified revenue sources, and long-term organisational resilience, ensuring the Trust remains well-equipped to protect and manage The Bahamas’ national parks for generations to come.



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