

FACT SHEET

Organization:	Maine Huts & Trails
Location:	Kingfield, Maine
Year Founded:	2001
Type of Organization:	501(c)3 Non-Profit
Number of Huts:	4
Miles of Trails:	80+
Activities:	Hiking, Mountain Biking, Canoeing, Kayaking, Stand-Up Paddleboarding, Swimming, Fishing, Nordic Skiing, Snowshoeing, Fat Biking



History & Vision

Maine Huts & Trails was first imagined in the '70s by Larry Warren- a local guy with an impressive track record of turning big ideas into realities. The vision: a series of backcountry huts that would allow multi-day Nordic ski trips from Moosehead Lake to the Mahoosuc Mountain Range; a model inspired by the hut to hut treks throughout the European Alps. To date, there are four back country eco-lodges connected by 80 miles of trail open year round from West Forks to Stratton, with eight more huts planned.

In the 40 years since the idea was hatched, Maine Huts & Trails has evolved into much more than a great place for a backcountry adventure. As a non-profit, the organization has become a valuable community resource for Western Maine. Besides drawing thousands of environmentally conscious visitors to the area every year, Maine Huts & Trails benefits the local community in many ways.



Mission Statement

Maine Huts & Trails is a non-profit organization whose mission is to create and operate a world-class system of backcountry trails and eco-lodges for people-powered recreation to enhance the economy, communities and environment of Maine's Western Mountain region, for the benefit of current and future generations.

Long-Term Goals

- Create an **outdoor recreation resource of national significance**;
- Stimulate environmentally sensitive **economic development** in Western Maine;
- Provide perpetual year-round **public access to visitors of all ages and abilities**;
- Offer opportunities for **environmental and experiential education**; and
- Promote an **environmental stewardship and conservation ethic**.



2016 At A Glance

Supporters:	2193 (members, donors, volunteers)
Full-time staff:	11
Part-time/seasonal staff:	39
Average monthly visits to mainehuts.org:	17,270+
Total trail maps distributed:	21,000+
Guest nights hosted:	10,000+
Sponsored youth group guest nights:	283

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