

2024-2025 annual report



STONY KILL
FOUNDATION



IN PARTNERSHIP WITH NYS DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

a letter from our director

Dear Friends of Stony Kill,

As we reflect on the past year, I am filled with gratitude for the community that continues to support our mission and believe in the importance of hands-on, place-based learning.

This year marked a major milestone with the restoration of our historic barn. What was once a space in need of significant care is now renewed and ready to support education, community gatherings, and agricultural programming for years to come. The barn restoration represents more than a construction project—it reflects our commitment to preserving Stony Kill's history while creating functional, accessible, and inspiring spaces for learning and connection.

As we look to the future, our focus remains on growing access to environmental education, strengthening our adult programs and expanding our youth programming, and continuing to care for the land and facilities entrusted to us. We are excited to build on this momentum—expanding hands-on learning opportunities, deepening community partnerships, and ensuring Stony Kill remains a place where curiosity, stewardship, and connection thrive.

Warmly,



our staff & board

At Stony Kill, our staff and board are the heart of everything we do. Our team keeps everything running—managing the office, leading & managing programs, supporting fundraising and events, and caring for our livestock. Their dedication makes every part of our farm and educational mission possible.



staff pictured left to right:

Janet Goodman - Development and Event Manager
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our mission in action

The mission of Stony Kill Foundation is to connect the public with nature, sustainable farming, and local history. Our hands-on programs provide environmental education through the lens of agriculture.

Phase 1 Barn Restoration Complete

We are thrilled to announce the completion of Phase 1 of our barn restoration, a major milestone in improving both animal care and visitor experience. This phase included new, secure enclosures for our poultry, an accessible walkway for safe and comfortable viewing, and updated fencing throughout the barnyard. These improvements enhance the safety, accessibility, and enjoyment of our farm for both animals and visitors, setting the stage for future restoration phases.

17 year Agreement with NYSDEC

We are proud to announce the renewal of our occupancy agreement with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) for the next 17 years, securing our home here at the farm well into the future. This long-term agreement not only ensures stability for our programs and operations but also strengthens our ongoing partnership with the DEC, allowing us to continue providing hands-on environmental education and community engagement on this cherished land.

Heritage Breeding Program Flourishes

Our heritage livestock breeding program continues to thrive, celebrating a successful year of new life on the farm. We welcomed three healthy calves, 15 lambs, and 13 Thanksgiving turkeys that were carefully raised and sold, supporting both our farm operations and local food traditions.

SKF Hires Development & Event Coordinator

This spring, SKF hired a part-time Development and Event Coordinator to support our fundraising, grant, and event efforts. This role will help strengthen our development work by supporting donor engagement, coordinating fundraising events, and assisting with grants and other revenue-generating initiatives including our upcoming 50th anniversary.



program highlights

YOUTH PROGRAMS



ADULT PROGRAMS



PUBLIC PROGRAMS



Youth Program Spotlight: SAN MIGUEL ACADEMY

We are proud to celebrate eight years of partnership with San Miguel Academy in Newburgh, providing meaningful learning opportunities for 5th grade students to connect with nature, agriculture, and environmental education in a supportive, immersive setting.

Since 2017, SKF has empowered 122 San Miguel students through 175 hands-on lessons, turning learning into real-world impact. Student-led final projects—like building a maple evaporator and creating a field guide—showcase STEAM skills, instill confidence, and create a deep connection to the natural world.



Connecting Through Community Events

This year at the farm, we celebrated the seasons with a series of engaging public events. Our Harvest Fest offered a festive fall experience with livestock shows, hay rides and seasonal treats for all ages. Spooktacular delighted visitors with our spooky-themed barn, I-Spy Garden, and family-friendly Halloween barn tours and hay rides. The Sheep and Wool Growers Tours showcased SKF Tunis wool in fiber art demos and included behind-the-scenes barn tours led by Stony Ground 4-H Shepherd members. And finally, Butterflies & Blooms brought families together to enjoy live music, visits in the monarch butterfly tent, and engagement with local non-profits. Each event created lasting memories and strengthened the community's connection to the farm, nature, and each other.



1,500 Harvest Fest attendees



450 Spooktacular attendees



40 Sheep & Wool Growers attendees



630 B&B Finale attendees

program sponsors

Thank you to our program sponsors who help enhance our events and festivals each year. Their generous support makes it possible for us to expand our impact, strengthen our offerings, and create memorable experiences for our community. We are deeply grateful for their partnership and continued commitment to our mission.



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volunteer impact

141
volunteers

Volunteers play a vital role at the farm, helping our programs and events run smoothly day after day. They lead Open Barn tours and workshops, oversee our greenhouse operations, assist with seasonal events and fundraisers, and lend their hands in gardens and around the farm. Their dedication, energy, and expertise not only enrich the experiences of our visitors but also ensure the farm thrives as a welcoming place for learning, community, and connection to the land.

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Operating Revenue & Support

Donations & Memberships	\$50,524
Grants & Contracts	\$264,161*
Programs	\$136,842
Events & Fundraisers	\$15,725
Farm Generated	\$22,434
Interest & Dividends	\$9,783
Total Revenue	\$499,469

* Includes \$150,000 barn restoration grant from FY 2024

Operating Expenses

Grants & Contracts	\$177,488
Program Supplies	\$6,993
Events & Fundraisers	\$6,953
Farming	\$24,394
Utilities & Janitorial	\$33,340
Administration	\$29,966
Insurance	9,293
Payroll (wages & taxes)	236,806
Total Expenses	\$525,233

Asset Summary

Cash	\$714
Investments	\$128,303
VTFH	\$34,029
Total Assets	\$163,046