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Town of Casco
635 Meadow Road
Casco, ME 04015

To the Town of Casco Select Board:

On behalf of everyone at Lake Stewards of Maine, we would like to express our sincere appreciation for your contribution to support our mission to protect Maine's lakes and ponds. Thank you for recognizing the importance of lake monitoring and supporting volunteer community scientists who are assisting in these efforts.

This summer, LSM coordinated 38 water quality training sessions and conducted 15 aquatic invasive plant workshops throughout the state. Over 500 individuals attended in-person trainings, with ~150 certifying as either a water quality monitor or an invasive plant patroller. Your contribution is instrumental in enabling the continuation and growth of our lake monitoring programs. As our network of volunteers and lakes expand, the data we collect becomes even more valuable in protecting these vital resources.

Towns with or without lakes benefit from lake protection, as healthy lakes contribute to overall water quality, which impacts regional ecosystems and drinking water supplies. By supporting our efforts, you help ensure that Maine's lakes remain clean and vibrant, which in turn supports the broader environmental health of our communities.

Thank you, again, for partnering with us in this important work. Your town's contribution helps ensure that Maine's natural resources are protected for generations to come. Please reach out if you would like to help coordinate a training in your area, or offer assistance with either outreach or space for presentations or workshops.

With great appreciation,

Alison Cooney
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Thank you so much for your increased support of LSM's programs! Your contribution means a lot to us and plays a key role in protecting our lakes.

<u>Contributor</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Date Gift Received</u>
Town of Casco, Maine	\$3000	8/8/2024
<u>Purpose</u>		
2024 Donation		

Lake Stewards of Maine is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.
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