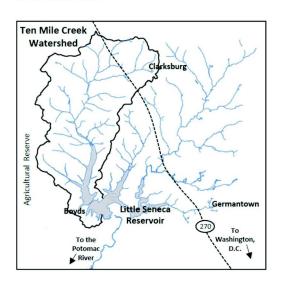
### Why are Ten Mile Creek and Little Seneca Reservoir important?

Ten Mile Creek, located near Clarksburg, Maryland, is one of the healthiest waterways remaining in the entire Chesapeake Bay watershed and supports a greater diversity of aquatic life – insects, salamanders, and fish – than any other stream in Montgomery County. The creek is of such high quality that it is considered a "reference stream" which scientists use as a "measuring rod" to judge the health of other area streams.

Ten Mile Creek is also the cleanest tributary flowing into Little Seneca Reservoir, the closest emergency drinking water supply for 4.3 million people in the Washington, D.C. area. The reservoir is a critical component of our regional drinking water system and a popular recreational resource for canoeing, kayaking, hiking, picnicking, fishing, bird watching, and other activities.





Caroline Taylor

Montgomery Countryside Alliance is proud to serve as the home for the Friends of Ten Mile Creek and Little Seneca Reservoir.

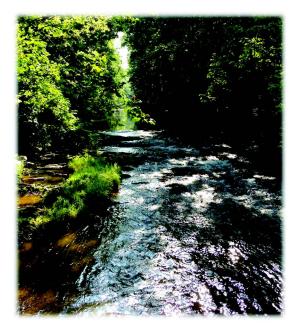


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# Friends of Ten Mile Creek & Little Seneca Reservoir



The Friends of Ten Mile Creek and Little Seneca Reservoir serve as guardians of Ten Mile Creek and its watershed, preserving and protecting this unique place.

Ten Mile Creek's forests, farms and rare geology provide clean drinking water to Little Seneca Reservoir, a backup drinking water supply for the Washington, D.C.

Metropolitan region and a beloved

recreational resource. The creek also feeds into the Piedmont Sole Source Aquifer, which provides water for the Agricultural Reserve's farms and residents.

## Why do the creek and the reservoir need friends?

Despite its importance to our regional water system, the Ten Mile Creek watershed is constantly threatened by development proposals. The Friends of Ten Mile Creek and Little Seneca Reservoir, formed in August 2014, aims to protect this watershed from any further development which would degrade its health and impact the quality of water that flows into Little Seneca Reservoir.

We help citizens from around the region connect to this special place, advocate for its protection, and learn about the importance of the creek and reservoir, both as unique ecological treasures and as integral components of our regional drinking water system.

Through our advocacy and education efforts, we hope to inspire a sense of stewardship for these specific resources, and, together with other local watershed groups, to work to protect all streams and rivers in the Potomac and Chesapeake Bay watersheds.



Anne James

### Why become a member?

- To ensure the long-term protection of our last, best creek in Montgomery County.
- To have a direct voice in important decisions affecting the Ten Mile Creek watershed and Little Seneca Reservoir.



Pat Ratkowski

- To explore the watershed with naturalists, water quality experts and fellow citizens.
- To join with others who are working tirelessly to preserve this jewel.



David James

#### How to become a member

Join online at <a href="www.tenmilecreek.org">www.tenmilecreek.org</a> or fill out the form below and send with a check made out to Montgomery Countryside Alliance (please put "Friends of Ten Mile Creek and Little Seneca Reservoir" in subject line) to:

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