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Roots to Branches – What do the Lake County Forest Preserves mean to you?



DONATE NOW!



Dear Diana ,

For more than 40 young people in the YCC Summer Program, the Forest Preserves are their classroom and their workplace this summer, and YCC has been providing this opportunity for 50 years!

Mike Tully recently retired from running the Lake County Forest Preserves. He started his career in conservation leading YCC's crews of young people to **build and repair trails, conserve wetlands, and plant native species.**



Mike is paying it forward – helping youth gain knowledge and experience in conservation. Let's pay it forward together!

PAY IT FORWARD



Please make a donation today to fund summer conservation crews in your Lake County Forest Preserves. **If we raise \$2,000 by June 30th, a generous donor will match your gift!** Empower the next generation of conservationists.

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Partnership Connections

The health benefits of regular access to green and blue spaces are well documented by our friends and partner sponsors at the [Brushwood Center](#) in the Lake County Forest Preserve at Ryerson woods. They do essential work in **improving health equity and access to nature for all, particularly those facing racial and economic injustices.** We are proud to partner with the Brushwood Center in pursuit of our **shared goals.**