



Dear Reader,

More than anyone, you know the creativity, vision, and perseverance it takes to do citizen science with integrity.

We want to make sure your dedication to citizen science is recognized and appreciated.

The Citizen Science Association strives to advance and serve the broad field of public participation in scientific research. We have aspirations for a 2018 -- our first full year as a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit -- filled with free webinars, regional meet-ups, strategic listening sessions to hear your needs, and strategic planning for an Association that can serve, support, and engage this diverse community. Our mostly-volunteer team is committed to building an Association that can support your needs and interests, and that can promote and advance excellence in citizen science.

But, like citizen science itself, building *this* Association calls for questioning the way things are “typically” done, bringing innovation and disruption to a traditional association model. To do that, we need your help -- your participation, your ideas, and your financial support.

We know that you invest your all in the project(s) close to your heart. An investment in CSA - no matter the amount - will help us amplify your efforts, bring attention to the good work of citizen science at the highest levels, recognize the broad and diverse practices that enrich this field, and raise a unified voice for the integrity you bring to citizen science research and engagement.

Please consider a tax-deductible gift that will support of the endeavors you love, through a gift to the Citizen Science Association.

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Thank you for all that you do for citizen science!

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