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*Cover photo of St. Croix Valley volunteers enjoying a seed collecting event. By Evanne Hunt.*

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Wisconsin Counties: Pierce, St. Croix, Polk
Minnesota Counties: Washington

# Who We Are

*Volunteers at a work party on the Kinnickinnic River. By Carl Nelson.*

The St. Croix Valley Chapter is a grassroots community dedicated to protecting rare prairie and savanna habitats in your area. We actively steward these threatened places through hands-on land management and provide education about rare ecosystems.

If you love learning and making a difference outdoors, join us for a field trip to learn about native wildlife, gain experience with restoration equipment and techniques at a work party, and build connections with your community.

*Late-summer prairie in bloom. Photographer unknown.*

# Nature Near You

*Admiring lead plant blooms at Alexander Oak Savanna. By Heidi Kassenborg.*

Today defined by its wild and plentiful riverways, the St. Croix Valley region was once home to the largest percentage of tallgrass prairie in the state. Though only a few mighty remnants of this native prairie and oak savanna have survived development, there is a growing community of local nature-lovers working to restore these habitats and protect the rare plants and wildlife that depend on them.

Whether you are just discovering native ecosystems or consider yourself a prairie pro, we invite you to join us and put your love for the land into action. Typical volunteer activities include removing invasive species, seed collecting, prescribed burning, and hosting educational events. Visit our website or scan the QR code on the back panel to get involved.