



### ***ABOUT WATERKEEPERS CHESAPEAKE***

WATERKEEPERS® Chesapeake is a coalition of 17 independent Waterkeeper programs working to make the waters of the Chesapeake and Coastal Bays swimmable and fishable. Waterkeepers Chesapeake amplifies the voices of each Waterkeeper and mobilizes these organizations to fight pollution and champion clean water. The members of Waterkeepers Chesapeake work locally, using grassroots action and advocacy to protect their communities and their waters. They work regionally to share resources and leverage individual organization strengths to expand each Waterkeeper's capacity for on-the-water, citizen-based enforcement of environmental laws in the Chesapeake and Coastal Bays regions.

### ***IN DEFENSE OF WATER***

We invite you to join us as a sponsor of our 4th annual *In Defense of Water* fundraiser. This will be an evening to celebrate our clean water successes and raise funds for, and awareness of, our work making all waters drinkable, swimmable and fishable. Sponsors and guests will have the opportunity to meet Waterkeepers from throughout the region and bid on exciting silent auction items while enjoying live music and fresh, local food from La Prima Catering. We will honor a local clean water champion and one of our Waterkeepers for outstanding achievements over the past year. An exciting addition to this year's program is our VIP cocktail reception from 6:00pm - 7:00pm, including an oyster bar, where sponsors can connect with our Waterkeepers, keynote speaker, and special guests.

As a sponsor of *In Defense of Water*, you will be investing in the only organization that harnesses the grassroots power, legal expertise, and scientific know-how of our Waterkeepers to address regional threats to clean water. We are also working hard to ensure the principles of justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion (JEDI) are reflected in all our work, including the planning of this event. To eliminate cost as a barrier to having **more** members of our community attend *In Defense of Water*, we are encouraging sponsors that cannot utilize some or all of their guest tickets to consider donating them to our local environmental justice partners. Our staff will help coordinate your ticket donation(s).

## Sponsorship Opportunities

Sponsorship	Level	Amount Benefits
Clean Water Champion	\$10,000	10 event admissions Recognized as sponsor of our VIP reception and oyster bar Your name and logo on our website in promotion of the event Premium event signage and recognition Recognition in event program, invitations and social media
Clean Water Defender	\$5,000	8 event admissions Recognized as sponsor of the bar and entertainment Invitation to our VIP reception Your name and logo on our website in promotion of the event Premium event signage and recognition Recognition in event program, invitations and social media
Clean Water Protector	\$2,500	6 event admissions Invitation to our VIP reception Your name and logo on our website in promotion of the event Premium event signage and recognition Recognition in event program, invitations and social media
Clean Water Caregiver	\$1,000	4 event admissions Invitation to our VIP reception Your name and logo on our website in promotion of the event Recognition in event program, invitations and social media
Clean Water Friend	\$500	2 event admissions Invitation to our VIP reception Your name and logo on our website in promotion of the event Recognition in event program, invitations and social media
Single Ticket	\$100	1 event admission [Early Bird price: \$75 if purchased by August 27]

If you are interested in being a sponsor of *In Defense of Water*, visit our website at [www.waterkeeperschesapeake.org/indefenseofwater2020](http://www.waterkeeperschesapeake.org/indefenseofwater2020), send an email to [gozi@waterkeeperschesapeake.org](mailto:gozi@waterkeeperschesapeake.org) or call our office at (800) 995-6755.

# ***In Defense of Water Sponsorship Reply Form***

**YES!** I would like to sponsor *In Defense of Water* at the following level:

- Clean Water Champion @ \$10,000
- Clean Water Defender @ \$5,000
- Clean Water Protector @ \$2,500
- Clean Water Caregiver @ \$1,000
- Clean Water Friend @ \$500

My check is enclosed.

I would like to pay by credit card (pay online or provide information below)

I would like to purchase \_\_\_\_ ticket(s) @ \$100 each.

I am unable to attend or sponsor but want to support Waterkeepers Chesapeake with a tax-deductible contribution of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

Gift Amount Total: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name as it appears on Card: \_\_\_\_\_

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ CVC Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to:** Waterkeepers Chesapeake, Inc.

**Mail to:** P.O. Box 11075, Takoma Park, MD 20913

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