



# SAN JACINTO BATTLEGROUND CONSERVANCY

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San Jacinto Battleground Conservancy is a nonprofit organization dedicated to protecting, preserving and securing the San Jacinto Battleground for future generations by facilitating conservation of land, artifacts and native habitat original to the 1836 battlefield and educating the public about the history and far-reaching significance of the battle for Texas independence.

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Dear History Lover,

As a proud Texan, when you talk to family and friends about important places in our great state, chances are the San Jacinto battlefield is part of the conversation.

Why?

At San Jacinto on April 21, 1836, our cultural identity took form and the modern destiny of Texas was launched. Today, we revere the battlefield as "hallowed ground."

Founded in 2002, the **SAN JACINTO BATTLEGROUND CONSERVANCY**, formerly the Friends of the San Jacinto Battleground, has worked to preserve, protect, and reclaim the battlefield.

Donors like you have allowed us to save land original to the battlefield and protect it for future generations. Since 2010, more than \$750,000 has been raised to secure and begin conservation of an endangered 19 acres, which also include a Civil War staging site for the 1863 Battle of Galveston.

Plans for this key acreage include rehabilitation as a model demonstration project—featuring educational signage, nature trails, outdoor classrooms—and as a catalyst for restoration of the entire San Jacinto Battleground and its vanishing native habitat. Currently, we are working with military historians from West Point and Gettysburg to expand the National Historic Landmark boundaries and perform two preservation analyses that will help inform future preservation efforts.

We are so grateful to people like you for supporting our efforts. Thanks to you, we will touch the lives of thousands of people who visit the battleground. Your gifts provide resources that make an immediate impact.

And much remains to be done!

San Jacinto Battleground is your battleground—your heritage and your legacy.

Please partner with us to continue to invest in this iconic Texas landmark by considering a year-end gift to **Save the San Jacinto Battleground Fund**. Your donation would make a world of difference.

Thank you so much for your consideration, and best wishes for a happy holiday season.

Sincerely,

Jan DeVault, President