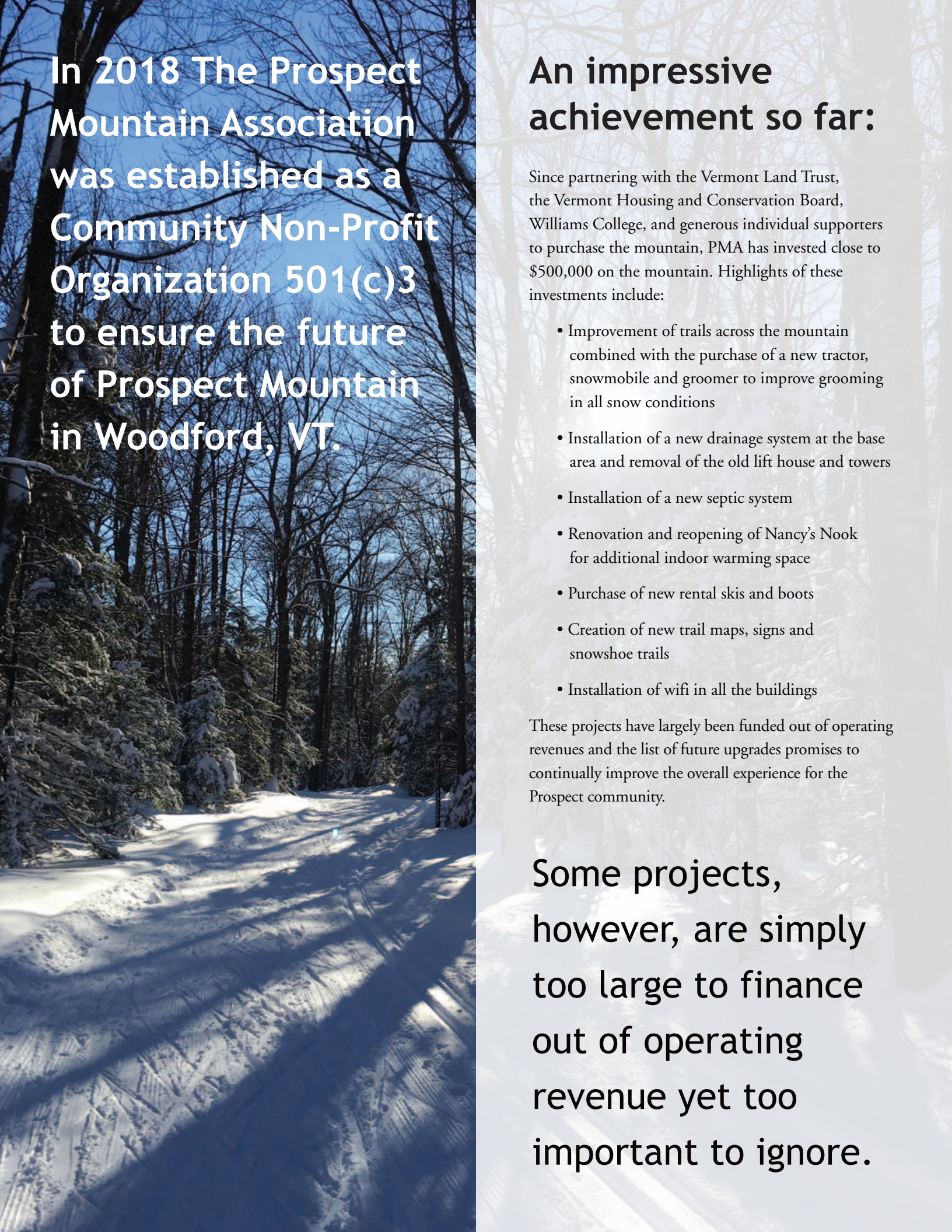




Prospect Mountain
Striding Forward

A photograph of a snowy forest path. The path is covered in snow and has some tracks. The trees are tall and thin, with some snow on their branches. The sky is a clear, bright blue. The overall scene is peaceful and winter-like.

In 2018 The Prospect Mountain Association was established as a Community Non-Profit Organization 501(c)3 to ensure the future of Prospect Mountain in Woodford, VT.

An impressive achievement so far:

Since partnering with the Vermont Land Trust, the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board, Williams College, and generous individual supporters to purchase the mountain, PMA has invested close to \$500,000 on the mountain. Highlights of these investments include:

- Improvement of trails across the mountain combined with the purchase of a new tractor, snowmobile and groomer to improve grooming in all snow conditions
- Installation of a new drainage system at the base area and removal of the old lift house and towers
- Installation of a new septic system
- Renovation and reopening of Nancy's Nook for additional indoor warming space
- Purchase of new rental skis and boots
- Creation of new trail maps, signs and snowshoe trails
- Installation of wifi in all the buildings

These projects have largely been funded out of operating revenues and the list of future upgrades promises to continually improve the overall experience for the Prospect community.

Some projects, however, are simply too large to finance out of operating revenue yet too important to ignore.

The Striding Forward Campaign

New Trail Construction and Improvements: \$325,000

- Prospect is home and host to a robust racing community and has nurtured more than its share of national and international level competitors. At the same time, it is a family mountain with recreational skiers of all ages – from the Bill Koch group to a large contingent of senior skiers plus snowshoers and Alpine touring skiers. On the busiest days, however, these groups are sometimes in conflict with each other creating a frustrating situation for all.
- Fortunately, there are solutions to these challenges and plans have been drawn up to reduce bottlenecks and improve circulation on novice and intermediate trails while simultaneously creating a 3.7 km homologated (FIS) racing network now required to host collegiate, high-school and regional races. The new racing loops and future snowmaking will support competition and training while freeing up the trail network for recreational skiers, who will be able to ski at Prospect on “race days” without interference.
- Gifts will help build new FIS certified race loops, widen Woodpecker and create new beginner and intermediate connector trails.

Snowmaking: \$300,000

- The one thing Prospect cannot thrive without is snow and despite its ideal location in a natural snowbelt at 2,000 feet, inconsistent snow cover is a greater threat than at any time in its history.
- Thanks to its elevation and topography, however, Prospect is an ideal location for a snowmaking system that will guarantee snow and ensure not only a viable future but a thriving future.
- Gifts will enable the purchase and installation of a snowmaking system that would cover 3.8 acres around the base area forming a 1-kilometer loop.
- Future philanthropic support will enable a Phase II project to provide snowmaking for the full 3.7 km racing loops along with other trail improvements.

The Lodge: \$50,000

- For many of us, the lodge is the heart and soul of Prospect, beloved for its atmospheric and physical warmth and for the way it brings the Prospect Community together – not to mention the cookies and grilled cheeses.
- Gifts will enable improvements including flooring and a new roof.





Please help us reach our goal of \$675,000

The Good News and An Exciting Opportunity

Prospect has received an early gift of \$100,000 from the Manton Foundation and Williams College has contributed by establishing an endowment to provide on-going annual support for operations on the mountain. Most importantly, an anonymous donor has offered to generously provide a two-for-one match for every gift made as part of this campaign!

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