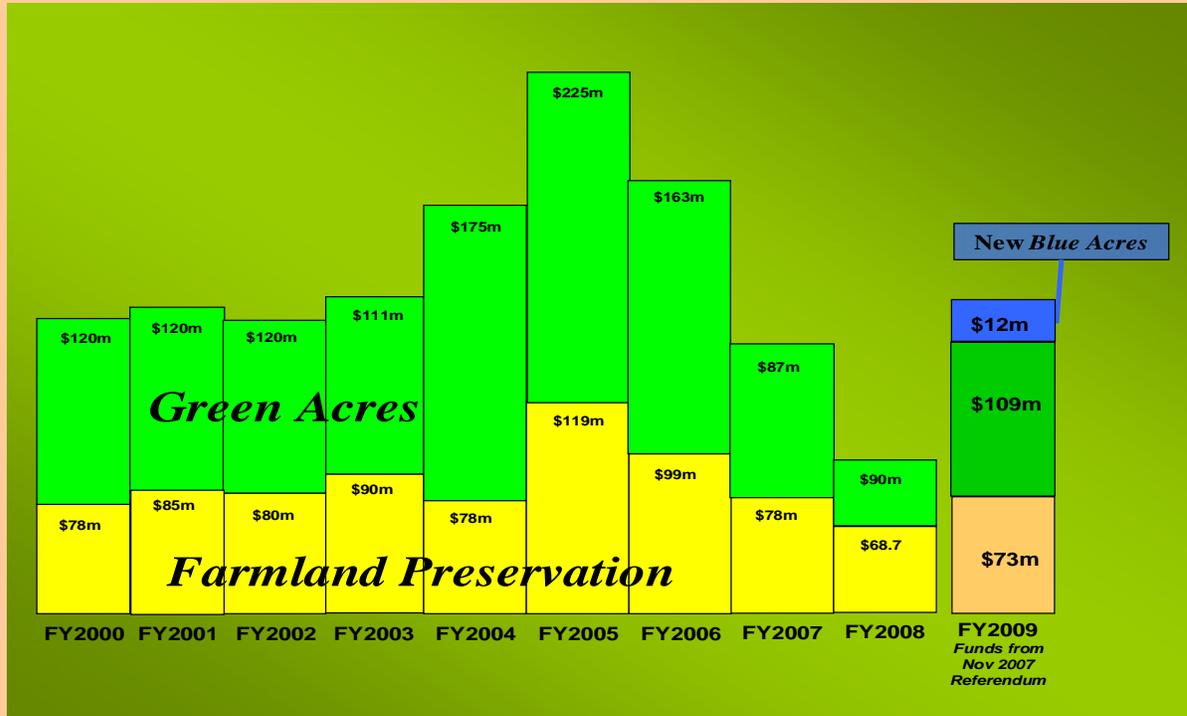




# Garden State Preservation Trust

## GSPT Land Conservation Appropriations



The funding approved by the voters in the November 2007 ballot referendum maintains New Jersey's preservation program as the largest in the nation for a geographic area of its size. The program is financed with Garden State Preservation Trust funds through two partnering agencies:

- The Green Acres Program, a division of the Department of Environmental Protection to preserve natural lands and recreational parks.
- The Farmland Preservation Program, administered by the independent State Agriculture Development Committee to acquire the development rights on privately owned farmland.
- The revival of the 1995 Blue Acres Program, also administered by the Department of Environmental Protection to acquire flood-prone private property in the Delaware River, Raritan River and Passaic River watersheds.

In partnership with county governments, municipalities and non-profit land trusts, these agencies are using GSPT funds to preserve acreage *at twice the rate* that land is being lost to development.