

Bio for Emily Chiles,
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“All in for America250: Public-Private Partnerships Supporting America’s Semiquincentennial on our Public Lands.”

Emily Chiles serves as Director of Development at the Shenandoah National Park Trust, where she leads philanthropic strategy, partnerships, and long-term investment in support of Shenandoah National Park. In this role, she works closely with National Park Service leadership, community partners, and private donors to advance projects that strengthen stewardship, visitor access, education, and the preservation of the Park’s natural and cultural resources.

She holds a degree in Business with a minor in Political Science from Randolph-Macon College and brings a broad, global perspective to her work, shaped in part by time working Spain. Her approach to philanthropy is grounded in public service and an understanding of how private investment can complement federal resources, enabling parks to meet public expectations while protecting irreplaceable landscapes for future generations.