

# **COLUMBIA SLOUGH WATERSHED COUNCIL**

ANNUAL REPORT

# **PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

#### **EDUCATION**

Canoe the Slough 2015 brought 356 students and 62 adults on the water.

Slough School engaged 11 high school student mentors.

4 School Districts were served through the Slough School program: Gresham Barlow, Reynolds, Parkrose and Portland Public Schools.

Education field programs were offered at Whitaker Ponds Nature Park, Water Pollution Control Lab, Kelly Point Park, Peninsula Crossing Trail, Salish Ponds Wetlands Park, Wilkes Park and Wilkes Headwaters and other sites.

# **OUTREACH AND DONOR RELATIONS**

Kelsie Greer joined our team as North Portland Outreach Specialist focusing on partnerships and relationship building in North Portland communities.

We met 2760 community member contacts, our largest annual number yet, by performing additional outreach in the community.

Generous individuals and businesses donated over \$4000 through the special appeal at our annual Slough Celebration Gala.

Our team of un-paid outreach interns contributed 525 hours of service and were instrumental to the sucess of our Slough Celebration Gala and spring event programming.

## **STEWARDSHIP**

Nadaka Nature Park & Garden was completed and coordinator position establisted. The park includes a nature-based play area, community garden, picnic shelter and walking paths.

Twenty one business and organizations partnered with the Council on stewardship activities.

Stewardship worked at 8 primary sites in the Columbia Slough watershed: Conifer Park - Fairview Creek, Force Lake, Whitaker Ponds Nature Park, Wilkes City Park, Wilkes Headwaters Natural Area, Peninsula Crossing Trail, Johnson Lake and Columbia Children's Arboretum.



One Leadership Award and two Achievement Awards were presented at Slough Celebration for for outstanding work in improving watershed health.



The Council honored our 20th year with a community story sharing and documentation event: Slough Stories

# **BY THE NUMBERS**

6059 Student contacts44 Schools/organizations involved827 Teacher & chaperone contacts

2302 Attendees at Council events143 Volunteers supported events2760 Contacts at partner events

29 Community stewardship events517 Hours contributed by volunteers at restoration and stewardship community events

**1829** Total volunteer hours contributed; equal to 1 FTE

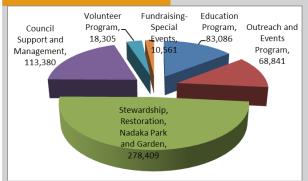
# FUNDING AND SUPPORT FOR OPERATIONS

#### **INCOME SOURCES** Corporate Individual Program Foundation Donations Revenue, 4,858 Donations, Grants, 47,391 and Grants, 17,740 34,070 Special Events. 20.075 Government Contracts and Grants, 542,030

#### **MAJOR FINANCIAL SUPPORTERS**

The Boeing Company City of Gresham, Watershed Management Division City of Portland Bureau of Environmental Services City of Portland Parks and Recreation Council Board Members, Staff, and Donors East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District EPA Urban Waters Program Gray Family Foundation Leatherman Tool Group, Inc. Metro Meyer Memorial Trust Multnomah County Drainage Districts Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board Portland Water Bureau Port of Portland

## **EXPENSES**





Celebrating 20 years of the Columbia Slough Regatta and work in the watershed YEARS on the slough

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# BOARD MEMBERS

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OUR MISSION: TO FOSTER ACTION TO PROTECT, ENHANCE, RESTORE AND REVITALIZE THE SLOUGH AND ITS WATERSHED.

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