

Impact Report

FROM THE SCHUYLKILL CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

December 2022

As a friend and supporter of the Schuylkill Center, you already know we are a rare, even unique, species: a nature center with cutting-edge urban environmental education programming, a wildlife clinic that rehabilitates wild animals of almost 150 species, an art gallery that presents groundbreaking indoor and outdoor exhibitions, and a pioneering nature-based preschool.

And through the hard work of our staff and the generosity of good friends like you, we have not only survived the choppy waves of the pandemic ocean, but we are busily moving the organization into a stronger future.

In 2023, we'll be unveiling our new Nature Playscape, installing a pavilion in our River House site, inviting friends like you to help us finish our master plan, renovating a 19th-century cottage, curing major stormwater issues that impact Wind Dance Pond, our largest pond, and so much more.

All of us here, including our staff and trustees, thank you for your support, and we invite you to volunteer, hike, or join us for a program (or three!)



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Having the Schuylkill Center in our backyard not only allows my students to make authentic connections to the land but helps us honor those that called this land home before us.))

- Alicia DeVane, Middle School Science Teacher
AIM Academy



Daily access to quiet, natural spaces has been transformative for every member of our family.))

- Laurie Sherman Prusko
Nature Preschool Parent



This exhibition allowed us to explore cultural belonging in the United States. Through art, ecology and food, we created an opportunity for dialogue with visitors which deepened the process of artmaking.))

- Filipino-American visual artists Maria Dumlao and Bahay215
Companions - *mas masarap magkasama*



The educators have raised my awareness about our natural environment and greatly influenced me. I am grateful for the Center's investment in my future.))

- Adrianna Lewis
Meigs Youth Leadership Award Recipient
Lankenau High School '22



Highlights



5,394 adults and children attended in-person and virtual programs.



4,619 schoolchildren participated in field trips, afterschool programs, Nature Preschool, and camps.



We purchased new Clinic equipment including; incubators, an X-ray machine, and an oxygen concentrator.



142 species of animals were brought to the Clinic.



1,719 rescuers brought **2,538 injured, sick, and orphaned wild animals** to the Wildlife Clinic.



We sold 2,914 native plants that are self-sustaining, save water, and provide habitat for pollinators.



Clinic staff fielded over 4,000 phone calls offering advice/answers to wildlife questions.

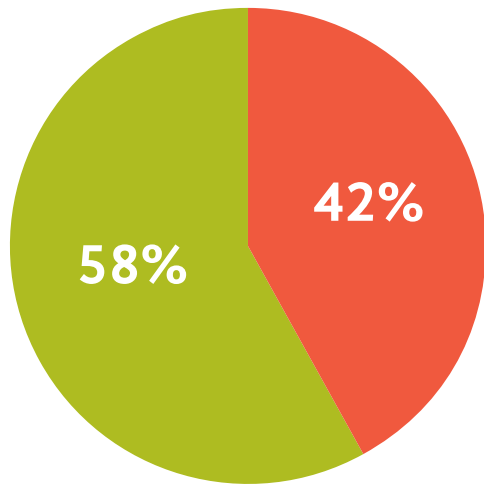


706 volunteers contributed **8,848 hours of volunteer time**, the equivalent of four full-time employees.



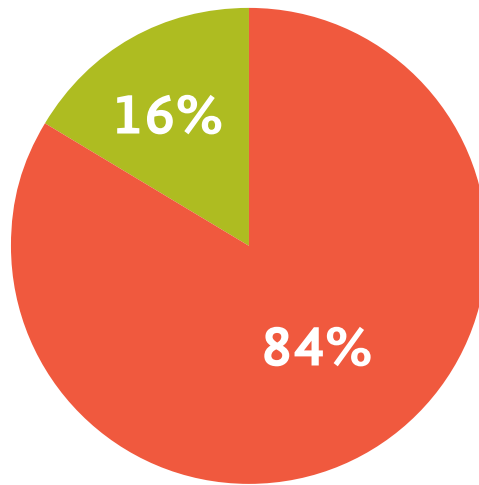
1,877 donors gave **2,618 gifts**

Financials as of June 30, 2022



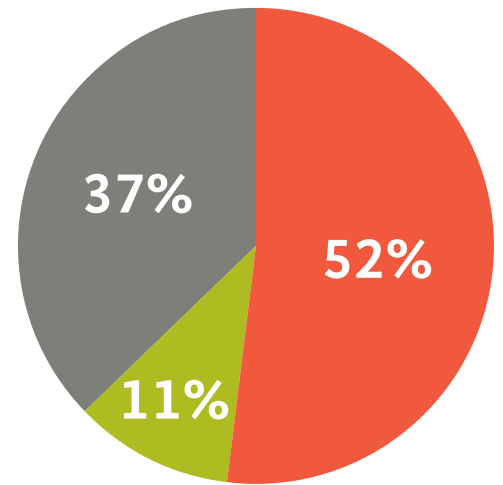
Income (operating)
\$2,475,459

- Public Support
- Program Income



Expenses (operating)
\$2,474,708

- Programs
- Administration/Fundraising



Total Assets
\$10,822,315

- Unrestricted
- Restricted
- Property and Equipment



In our Wildlife Clinic, X-rays allow us to see the exact location of the injuries and provide quicker and more targeted treatment for our patients. This rock pigeon was shot in the arm with a BB gun.

Our new excavator has been key to maintaining the driveway, addressing emergency tree damage, clearing an area for our Earth Day Forest, and increasing access to our community gardens.



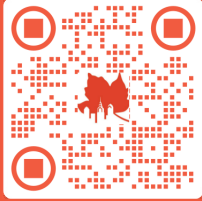
We built a new shelter for our entirely outdoor Nature Preschool classroom, Sassafra. Our students are now protected from the elements regardless of the weather.



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