

2020

Johnson Creek Watershed Council



*Annual
Report*



The Value of Restoration Partnerships

Some of the restoration challenges we face are specific to our watershed, but many are of regional concern. In 2015, JCWC, Clackamas River Basin Council, North Clackamas Watersheds Council, and Greater Oregon City Watershed Council formed the Clackamas Partnership to address native fish restoration in our geography.

Along with several agencies, including Oregon Dept. of Fish & Wildlife, Metro, Clackamas Water Environment Services, United States Forest Service, Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs, North Clackamas Parks & Rec, and others, we secured an \$8.7 million, 6-year funding commitment from the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board (OWEB) to further this work, through OWEB's Focused Investment Partnership (FIP) program.

In the first year (2020) of implementation, JCWC completed a large wood habitat enhancement project in Partnership with Oregon Department of Transportation in Milwaukie, and a dam removal on Kelley Creek (see below). We also manage a macroinvertebrate monitoring program for the partnership.

Our Council's work is a small part of the accomplishments of the overall partnership. We're able to do so much more when we work together at a regional scale in a regional partnership.



Daniel Newberry, Executive Director

Outreach During A Pandemic



Webinar Partners

- Portland Natural Bee Removal
- Ace Risley
- Wolky Samboy-Hillyer
- Cuauhtemoc Villa
- Ground Score Association
- The Beaver Coalition

Outreach is a huge part of the Council's work, and this required many adaptations in response to the COVID public health crisis.

Our new webinar series replaced our in-person Science Talks and were held every month or two. Approximately 2,000 people tuned in through Zoom or Facebook Live to hear about native plants, bees & wasps, beaver restoration, soil microbes and more.

These Community Education Series webinars are available on our Youtube channel.

Kelley Creek Dam Removal



Kelley Creek dam before removal.

Last summer, JCWC removed a 5-½ foot tall dam in the first mile of Kelley Creek that had been blocking fish passage to nearly four miles of Kelley and Mitchell Creeks since 1989.

Reconstruction included adding a submersible pump downstream so the landowner could still use high water rights, and installing a fence along the creek to prevent livestock access to the creek. The dam had also backed up water, creating a pond that heated Kelley Creek.

This project is located in unincorporated Multnomah County between Portland and Gresham. Thank you to project funders Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board, American Rivers / Paul Allen Foundation, and East Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District, and to the property owner for allowing JCWC to do this project.

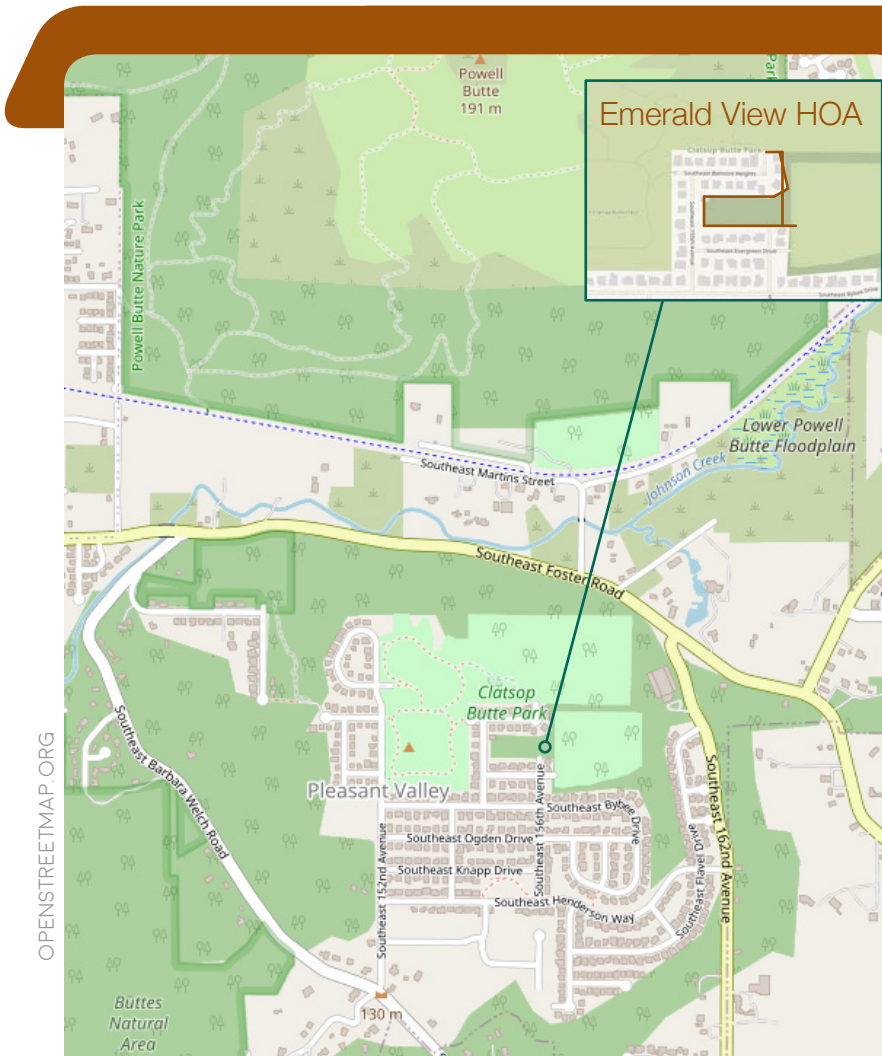


Small pool to house the new submersible pump.



Returning to a more natural, healthier creek state.

Exploring HOA Partnerships



Homeowners Associations (HOAs) are scattered throughout the watershed. While residents jointly own conservation land within their neighborhoods, their HOAs are often organizations that exist only on paper. That can make it difficult for the many owners to make decisions about managing their joint property, some of which contains wetlands and stream corridors.

JCWC began working in 2020 with the former Emerald View HOA on Clatsop Butte as a pilot program to help HOAs remove invasives and install native plants. Thank you to City of Portland, Bureau of Environmental Services for funding this work, and to the crews at Wisdom Workforce LLC and the National Civilian Conservation Corps.

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Statement of Financial Position
July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020

Assets	2020	2019
Cash	311,252	294,419
Prepaid expenses	3,903	3,645
Grants and contracts receivable	124,037	144,528
Beneficial interest in assets held by others	34,805	33,111
Total assets	\$ 473,997	\$ 475,703
Liabilities and net assets		
Accounts payable	21,674	102,981
Accrued payroll & taxes	6,949	4,976
Accrued vacation	37,316	28,896
Refundable advance - Paycheck protection program	51,050	0
Total Liabilities	\$ 116,989	\$ 136,853
Net assets		
Without donor restrictions		
Board reserve	71,716	80,400
Designated for endowment	20,484	19,260
Available for operations	93,093	117,491
Total without donor restrictions	185,293	217,151
With donor restrictions	171,715	121,699
Total net assets	\$ 357,008	\$ 338,850
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 473,997	\$ 475,703

Statement of Activities

Revenue and other support	2020	2019
Government Grants	242,171	233,167
Jurisdictional Support	114,820	111,060
Foundations	131,505	84,500
Corporate/Private	106,754	130,784
Contributions	68,575	70,165
In-kind contributions	-	-
Interest income	3,475	2,624
Total revenue and other support	\$ 667,300	\$ 632,300
Expenses		
Program Services		
Restoration/Riparian	337,163	288,239
Outreach	189,638	168,222
Monitoring	33,638	46,937
Total program services	560,439	503,398
Supporting services		
Administration	70,145	69,432
Fund-raising	18,558	22,381
Total expenses	\$ 649,142	\$ 595,211
Change in net assets	18,158	37,089
Net assets, beginning of year	338,850	301,761
Net assets, end of year	\$ 357,008	\$ 338,850

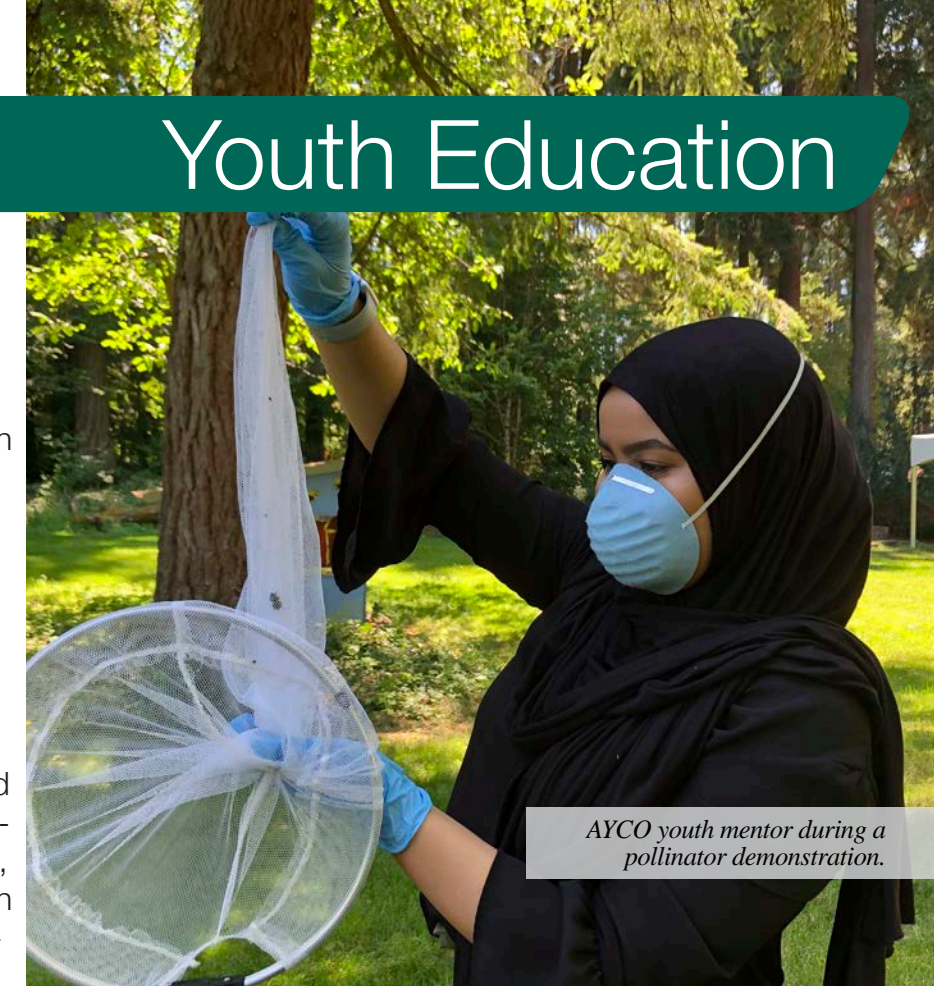
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Youth Education

In 2020, COVID-caused school closures made it difficult to work with public schools. We were, however, able to do service learning and other science education with youth in partnership with community groups, such as The Blueprint Foundation and the African Youth Community Organization through our Back-5 community partnership at Leach Botanical Garden.

We maintained COVID-19 protocols and safety standards when working with both educational groups and the public. These include mask wearing, social distancing, and only outdoor events.

We worked with the following school and youth groups in 2020: African Youth Community Organization, Ardenwald Elementary School, Clackamas Web Academy, David Douglas High School, Portland Waldorf School, Sabin Schellenberg Center, and The Blueprint Foundation.

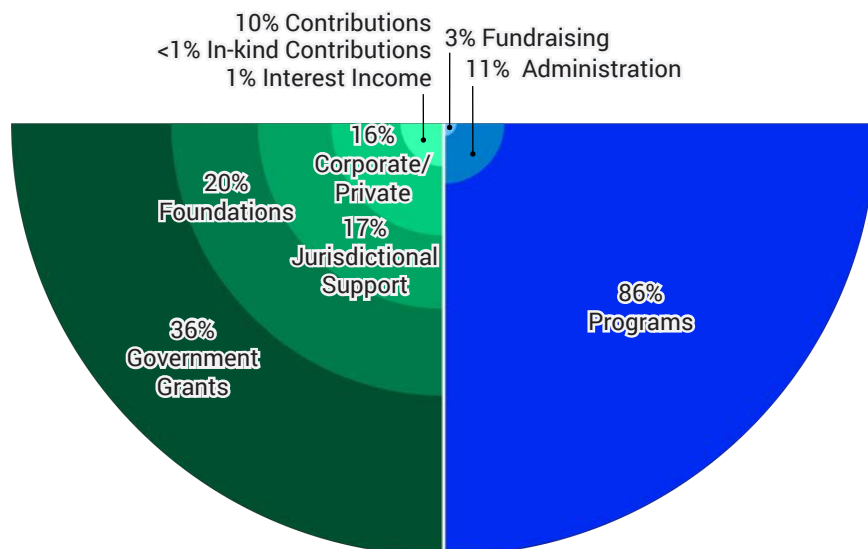


AYCO youth mentor during a pollinator demonstration.

SCHOOL	LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES
African Youth and Community Organization	Plant anatomy, intro to iNaturalist, tactile learning, macroinvertebrate exploration, planting and stormwater lesson plan.
Ardenwald Elementary School	Pollinator planting and ecology scavenger hunt.
The Blueprint Foundation	Vegetation transects, filming, pollinator surveys, owl pellet dissection, intro to iNaturalist, tactile learning.
Clackamas Web Academy	Beaver surveys and planting.
David Douglas High School	Remote learning with custom video and ecology web using Google drawing.
Portland Waldorf School	Service learning and planting with FOT, food web lesson plan.
Sabin Schellenberg Center	Remote watershed livestream.

Revenues

Expenses



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- Jonathan Nicholas** Vice President, MODA Health
- Gary Rydout** Education Consultant
- Bob Sanders** Attorney, Wood-Tatum, retired

JCWC Board & Staff

Board of Directors

In 2020 we welcomed Svetlana Hedin and said farewell to Marie Walkiewicz.

- Andrew Brown (EMSWCD), Marianne Colgrove, Tim Crawley, Peregrine Edison-Lahm, David Gruen, Svetlana Hedin (City of Portland BES), Katie Holzer (City of Gresham), Roy Iwai (Multnomah County), Melanie Klym, John Nagy (Clackamas WES), Bruce Newton, Sarah Sapienza, Mary Ann Schmidt, Dick Schubert, Samantha Sharka, Charlotte Trowbridge

JCWC Staff

In 2020 we welcomed Katherine Charney and said farewell to Drew Donahue.

- Courtney Beckel** - Volunteer Program Manager
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- Cathy Geiger** - Operations & Finance Coordinator
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- Chuck Lobdell** - Restoration Project Manager
- Tiffany Mancillas** - Community Outreach Coordinator
- Daniel Newberry** - Executive Director



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dam removed to open fish passage



4,073

hours contributed by volunteers



1,243

volunteer sign-ups



25

pieces of large wood added to Johnson Creek for fish habitat



2,000

online webinar participants

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