

2022 ACCPF ANNUAL REPORT



AMERICAN CANYON COMMUNITY & PARKS FOUNDATION

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INTRODUCTION

2022 IN REVIEW & WHAT'S AHEAD

Dear Friends,

2022 was an exciting year in many ways. As Covid restrictions eased, communities across the globe eagerly gathered outdoors ready to socialize and reconnect. At ACCPF we celebrated by bringing back pre-Covid programs and expanding with new initiatives to connect community and nature in meaningful ways.

One of the most meaningful opportunities was the expanded Heart Your Parks public art program. Over 40 artists from throughout the region expressed their connection with nature by painting a large plywood heart or frame. These beautiful pieces were on display in American Canyon parks and trails during the month of February. They showcased the incredible talent of our local artists and encouraged a deeper connection to nature for the entire community. **We estimate over 2,000 people visited the art pieces, which drew attention to American Canyon's beautiful parks and trails, and supported thousands of healthy hours outside.**

Our board and staff are keenly aware of the need for our youth to spend time in nature and discover career paths in outdoor sciences. With that understanding we developed the Watershed Explorers Pilot Program. **Last year 155 fourth and fifth graders experienced the Wetlands as young scientists, taking curriculum concepts from the classroom and putting them to real-life use at Wetlands.** We are incredibly proud of this program and look forward to serving every 4th grader in American Canyon in 2023. It is our duty to help kids connect with nature so that they grow to respect, love, and protect it. The American Canyon Wetlands is a science-rich backdrop for hands-on learning and meaningful outdoor experiences.

Heart Your Parks and Watershed Explorers are just two examples of the creative and authentic ways that we bring nature and community together. In the coming year, we are excited to unveil the "Outdoor Connection", a state-of-the-art trailside learning center. This mobile unit will allow us to expand partnerships with schools and community programs. In addition, we continue the development of the Napa River Ecology Center project, a regional home for environmental education.

Each and every day we are grateful for the support of our donors, sponsors, volunteers, and supporters. A heartfelt thank you from our family to yours, we look forward to another exciting year of nature and community.

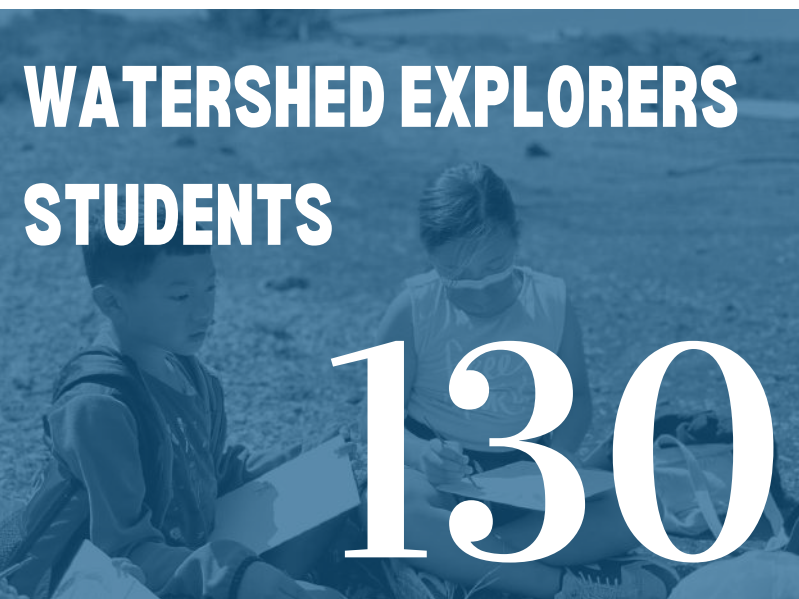


Janelle Sellick
Executive Director, ACCPF



OUR IMPACT

2022 BY THE NUMBERS



CIRCLE OF SUPPORT

IT TAKES A VILLAGE

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you!

CONNECTING NATURE & COMMUNITY

In 2022 we expanded several programs which highlighted the connection between community and nature. These programs focused on educating and creating community for our youth along with the support of our Teen Play Team volunteers.



Watershed Explorers Environmental Education

- Gets students out of the classroom and into Wetlands for hands-on learning
- Enhances 4th grade science curriculum
- 130 students participated in 520 hours of Environmental Education
- Exposes students to environmental science careers
- Creates enthusiastic learners



Teen Play Team

- Year-round volunteer/mentor program
- 28 local high school students participated in 2022
- Teens develop leadership, event management, and mentor skills
- Engages our youth with the community

IN THE COMMUNITY

Community Trail Programs



Coffee Mornings

A treasured ACCPF tradition returned with four in-person free coffee pop ups at Wetlands Edge Trail in 2022. With generous support from the Napa Junction Starbucks, ACCPF encouraged 450 neighbors and members to get outside with free coffee, conversation, trail maps, rock painting and dog treats.

Earth Day Walk & Talk

Part sunset stroll at Wetlands, part climate change impact presentation, more than 75 people and five partner organizations joined forces to create a “progressive” hike featuring engaging conversations about climate change & what we as individuals can do mitigate the impact.



Community Education Hikes

Newell Fire Recovery Hike & Beginning Birding - The popular Wild AC lecture series received a facelift in 2022 with the introduction of Wild AC Hikes offered in partnership with Napa County Resource Conservation District and Napa-Solano Audubon Society. More than 100 participants participated in the two hikes - the spring Newell Fire Recovery Hike and the fall Wetlands Beginning Birding Hike.

IN THE COMMUNITY

Heart Your Parks

- Partnered with over 40 local artists
- Over 2,000 visitors viewing the public art display
- Highlighted American Canyon's parks and trails
- Helps the community connect with nature through art



This public art celebration of nature & community expanded in 2022 to include 45 artists including one student artist from each of the American Canyon elementary and middle schools. Hearts were displayed in 18 different parks & trails during the month of February and visited by thousands of admirers from across the Bay Area.

12th Annual Reindeer Run 5k/10k

- Community members ran or walked over 825 miles
- Free youth registration supports healthy families
- Beautiful Wetlands course highlights American Canyon's natural beauty
- Over 560 registered from 22 cities
- Proceeds benefit year-round nature programs of ACCPF



Thank You to our Community Partners

ACHS Key Club
American Canyon 4H
American Canyon Bike Shop
American Canyon High School
American Canyon Soroptimist
American Canyon Wastewater Treatment Plant
City of American Canyon
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Napa Solano Audubon
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6TH ANNUAL EVENING AT THE RUINS

Most successful year yet!



Thank You to our Sponsors

Thanks to the support of donors, sponsors, bidders, volunteers, and more, it was our most successful year yet grossing \$300,000 to support the expansion of environmental and nature programs, a mobile outdoor classroom, and further development of the Wetlands Ecology Center project.

We are gratefully overwhelmed by the generosity, encouragement, and support of the American Canyon and Napa County communities.

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A BIG "Thank You" to Terry McGrath of McGrath Properties who announced an additional pledge of \$250,000 toward the capital campaign to fund the Napa River Ecology Center!



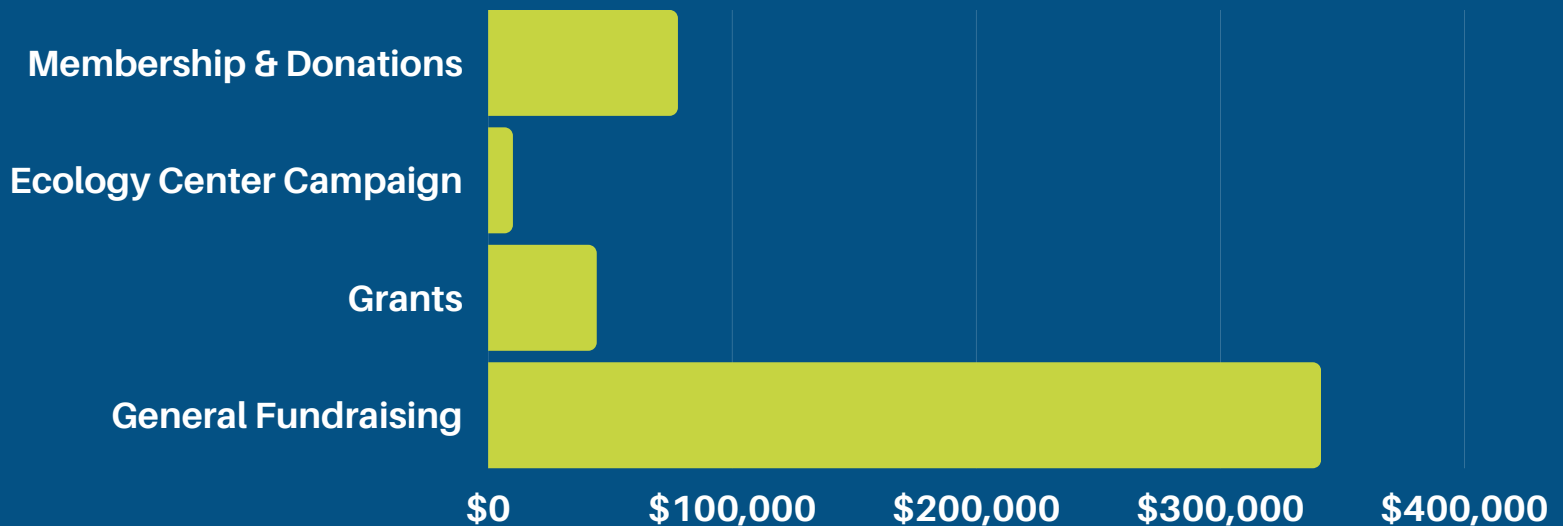
FINANCES AT A GLANCE

PREPARING FOR GROWTH

ACCPF continued its growth with our most successful fundraising year yet. This funding allowed us to increase Watershed and education programs, and invest in the development of the Napa River Ecology Center.



Revenue Categories



\$278,473

Dollars invested in no-cost education and community programs, serving over 3,000 community members!

Thank you to our Grantors

Bright Funds - Cisco
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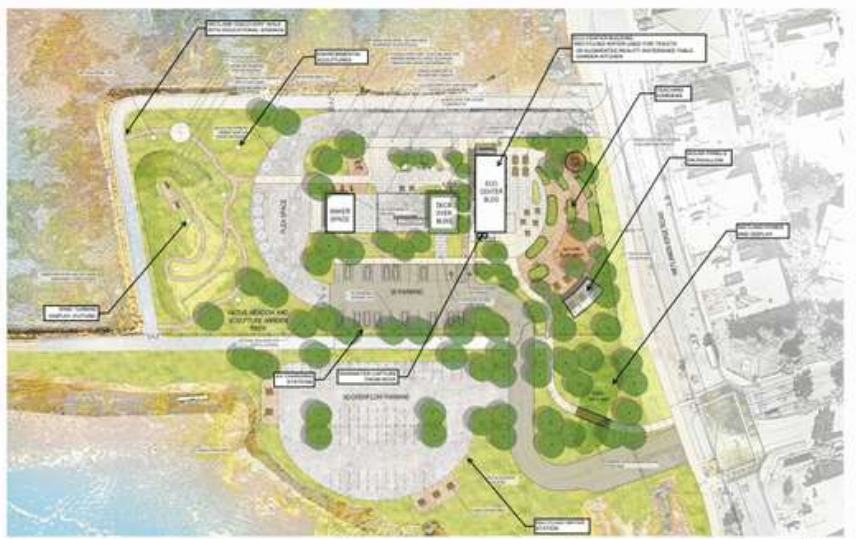
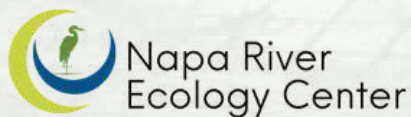
Sierra Club Napa Group & Redwood Chapter
Starbucks
The Gasser Foundation
Walmart Stores

Napa River Ecology Center
Where Nature Meets Community

During 2022 we began a major capital project to repurpose the City's former Corporation Yard into the Napa River Ecology Center. We made significant progress on this multi-year project with the following:

- Hired architect and consultant teams
- Funded engineering studies of the site
- Gathered community feedback and ideas, hosted site tours
- Drafted site plans, architectural renderings, and program plans

In the coming years ACCPF will embark on a capital campaign and apply for grants to fund the project. Once completed the Napa River Ecology Center will serve over 20,000 people per year and create a regional home for environmental education, nature art, and science.



The Outdoor Connection

A state-of-the-art Trailside Learning Center

Thanks to the \$50,000 in seed funding raised during An Evening at the Ruins, "The Outdoor Connection" is in production and will come to a trail near you in 2023. This state-of-the-art mobile classroom will house everything a student or family needs to learn and have fun with nature, whether on the trail, at the park, or on campus. Watch for updates on www.acparks.org.

