JOHNSON CREEK WATERSHED COUNCIL



2022

Annual Report

Fish Passage/Badger Creek

Since 2016, JCWC has restored fish passage at one or more locations each year. In 2022, we removed a culvert on Badger Creek just off Telford Road. This the second site on this cold water tributary from which the Council has removed problem culverts. The focus of our fish passage program is to open cold water habitat to salmon, steelhead, and other native fish.

Thank you to the Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife for funding this project.



Problem culvert before removal.



Restored stream after removal.

Garlic Mustard: Not so tasty to other plants!

For 10 years, JCWC has been part of a partnership led by the West Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District to control Garlic Mustard in the Metro area. Although this plant is edible, it exudes chemicals through its roots that are toxic to other plants. With funding from sourcing from the Oregon State Weed Board, we've worked on pulling garlic mustard along Johnson Creek in East Portland from I-205 to Powell Butte.

"At these sites, the ground cover has gone down dramatically," says Noah Jenkins, JCWC Riparian Project Manager. "It's about 10% of what it was when we started in 2012."

This project also serves as an experience-builder. We offer five paid 40-hour internships each year with this project. Our interns learn about riparian ecology, vegetation management strategies in addition to improving conditions for native plants along Johnson Creek.

Thank you to the Oregon State Weed Board and West Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District for funding this program.



Dragonfly monitoring sheds light on habitat quality



After monitoring odonate—dragonfly & damselfly—biodiversity for seven years, we're learning a bit how restoration impacts the populations of these wonderful insects. Our community scientists use the app iNaturalist to record observations of these odonates at several wetlands around the watershed.

For the first time this year, we've begun to monitor stormwater ponds in Gresham. One of our findings is that odonate biodiversity at these ponds is at least as high as our high quality natural wetlands. These Gresham stormwater ponds were designed to function as habitat in addition to attenuating stormwater. It seems as though they are succeeding!

Thank you to the City of Gresham, Portland Bureau of Environmental Services, and East Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District for funding our Community Science program.



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Financial Statement

Statement of Financial Position
July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022

Assets	2022	2021
Cash	341,169	365,703
Prepaid expenses	5,395	4,175
Grants and contracts receivable	175,533	151,629
Beneficial interest in assets held by others	63,155	45,460
Total assets	**$ 585,252**	**$ 566,967**
Liabilities and net assets		
Accounts payable	34,365	55,264
Accrued payroll & taxes	0	9,128
Accrued vacation	26,500	44,527
Refundable advance - Paycheck protection program	**0**	**60,861**
Total Liabilities	**$ 60,865**	**$ 169,780**
Net assets		
Without donor restrictions		
Board reserve	86,911	66,258
Designated for endowment	48,352	25,120
Available for operations	207,099	194,098
Total without donor restrictions	342,362	285,476
With donor restrictions	182,025	111,711
Total net assets	**$ 524,387**	**$ 397,187**
Total liabilities and net assets	**$ 585,252**	**$ 566,967**

Statement of Activities

Revenue and other support	2022	2021
Government Grants	331,096	422,136
Jurisdictional Support	121,018	141,579
Foundations	119,650	70,840
Corporate/Private	119,063	214,605
Contributions	45,038	28,338
In-kind contributions	-	-
Interest income	-12,095	12,309
Total revenue and other support	**$ 723,770**	**$ 889,807**
Expenses		
Program Services		
Restoration/Riparian	235,302	439,462
Outreach	179,611	205,910
Monitoring	96,762	113,020
Total program services	511,675	758,392
Supporting services		
Administration	67,781	71,186
Fund-raising	17,114	20,050
Total expenses	**$ 596,570**	**$ 849,628**
Change in net assets	**127,200**	**40,179**
Net assets, beginning of year	**397,187**	**357,008**
Net assets, end of year	**$ 524,387**	**$ 397,187**

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Revenues

Expenses

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Better Drainage Through Depaving



Just as a watershed is the area upstream of a point draining all the rainfall, a pipeshed is the impervious area--parking lots, roofs, streets--that drain to a single outfall in the stream. By depaving or reducing impervious areas and creating rain gardens in their place, we can direct rainfall to soak into the soil on-site rather than allow it to go into the storm drains. This improves water quality by intercepting oil and other petrochemical residues from parking lots. It also helps to reduce floods by allowing water to slowly soak into the soil rather than quickly enter the storm drains and then the creek.

We've identified all the stream outfalls in the watershed and mapped the impervious areas that drains each one, focusing on commercial and industrial properties. We're continuing to refine our prioritization and have begun outreach to property owners. We have two depaving projects planned for 2023. Our first depaving/rain garden project in 2013 was at the St. Mary's Ethiopian Orthodox Church. This year volunteers and the church's congregation maintained the rain garden together in June.

Thank you to the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board for funding this analysis project.

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