



2023 Annual Report

A MESSAGE FROM OUR DIRECTOR

This year went by in a flash! We welcomed a new staff member, allowing us to explore the ways the watershed council can support wildfire resilience. We were also back to in-person Outdoor School, with our first overnight cohort of 6th graders since covid. Over the summer, we completed a log placement and continued maintaining our legacy projects

We hope there is something of interest for you in the pages that follow.

We'll see you out there,
Shannon

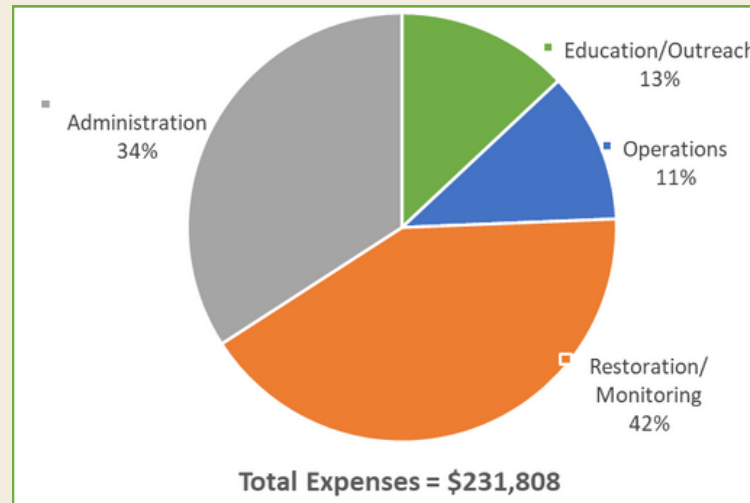
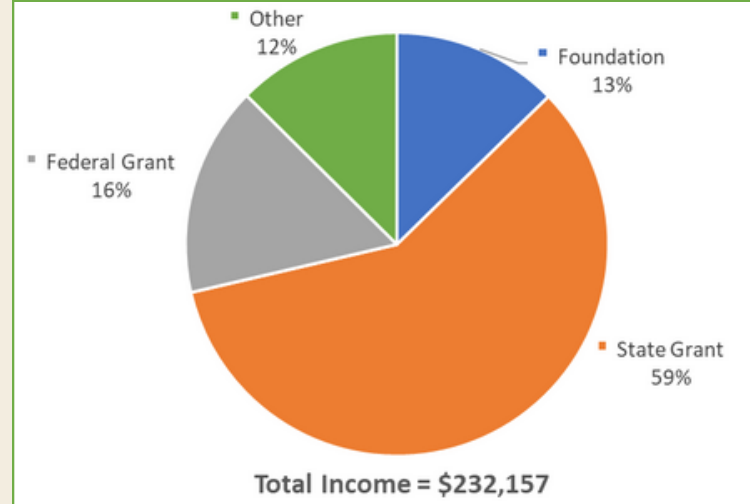
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Financials

The South Santiam Watershed Council's fiscal year runs from July 1 to June 30 the following year. This aligns with the Oregon's state fiscal year. Fiscal Year 2023 ended with a difference in income and expenditures of just \$349, or less than 1%. This reflects a year of balanced projects and income and includes a mid-year staffing change that added a new employee. This year, as in many years, our sources of income were split approximately 60/40, with state grants comprising the majority of our funding and other sources reliably filling the remaining need.



PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

Thomas Creek
Log Placement

DETAILS

We worked with private timber to install large wood in a 1/4 reach of Thomas Creek

OUTCOME

This project will create more complex fish habitat and improve water quality



Whiskey Butte
Fuels Reduction

Thinned and mulched on 40 acres of private lands adjacent to timberlands

This project addressed wildfire risk and provided opportunity for community connection



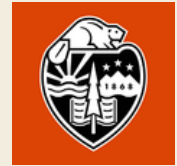
Outdoor School

3 days, 2 nights, 175 kids. What could go wrong?

A return to residential Outdoor School allowed us to reconnect with community partners, schools, and students

We couldn't have done it without our partners

*Thank
you*



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