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Upper Deschutes Watershed Council

Kris Knight, Executive Director

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What is a Watershed Council?

- A watershed council is a community-based, voluntary, non-regulatory group working in local communities on collaborative projects
- More than 50 watershed councils in Oregon, and a unique model created by the state of Oregon and initiated by local governments
- 501(c)(3) charitable organization since 1997. Over 50 habitat restoration project in 25 years!
- Updated website allows you to click and learn about our restoration projects



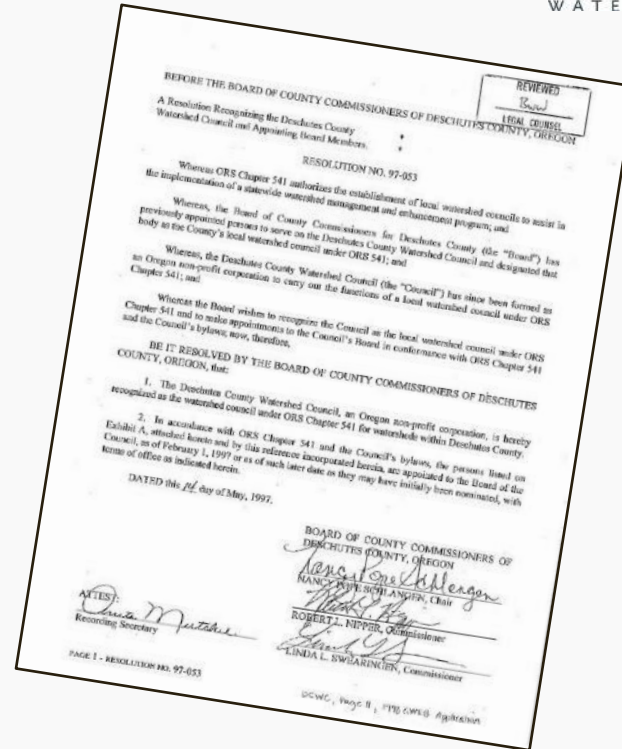


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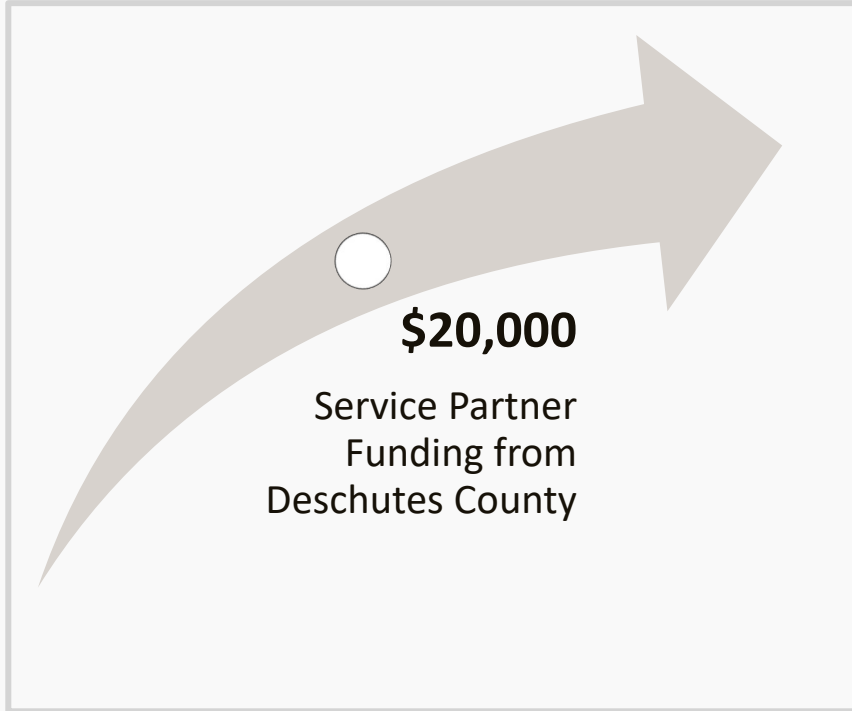


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WATERSHED COUNCIL

- Deschutes County helped establish the UDWC as the watershed council in Deschutes County in 1996-97
- Founded in cooperation with Deschutes County and began operating as nonprofit 501(c)3 organization in 1997.
- Current recipient of a Service Partner Program Grant – thank you!



Service Partner Funding



- UDWC leverages these dollars to bring federal, state and private funding to Central Oregon
- Total revenue for FY23 ending June 30, 2023 was \$2,526,144

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Mission

- **Mission:** we seek to protect and restore the two-million-acre Upper Deschutes watershed through collaborative projects in habitat restoration, watershed education and long-term monitoring



Restoration accomplishments this past fiscal year

- **Rimrock Ranch Restoration:** in partnership with Deschutes Land Trust, we completed our largest restoration project to date in a single year
- 1.5 miles of Whychus Creek restored downstream of Sisters in support of reintroduction of salmon and steelhead
- Funders included Pelton Round Butte Fund, Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board, U.S. Forest Service, Oregon Department of Forestry



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Restoration accomplishments this past fiscal year



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Photo by Wolfe Water Resources

Trees for these restoration efforts helping to create defensible space near homes in Sisters area



Education and Outreach

- UDWC continues to offer a K-12 education program to develop the next generation of watershed stewards
- This past year we have launched a program with City of Bend focused on 5th Grade and High School Students



River Clean-up and Stewardship

- UDWC continues to host the annual Deschutes River Clean up every July at multiple locations
- We also provide stewardship opportunities for businesses and organizations to volunteer to benefit our local rivers



Adult Education

- Since 2022, UDWC has started offering adult watershed education classes in partnership with COCC
- In the last 3 years we have offered watershed education sessions about the Whychus, Metolius, and Upper Deschutes watersheds

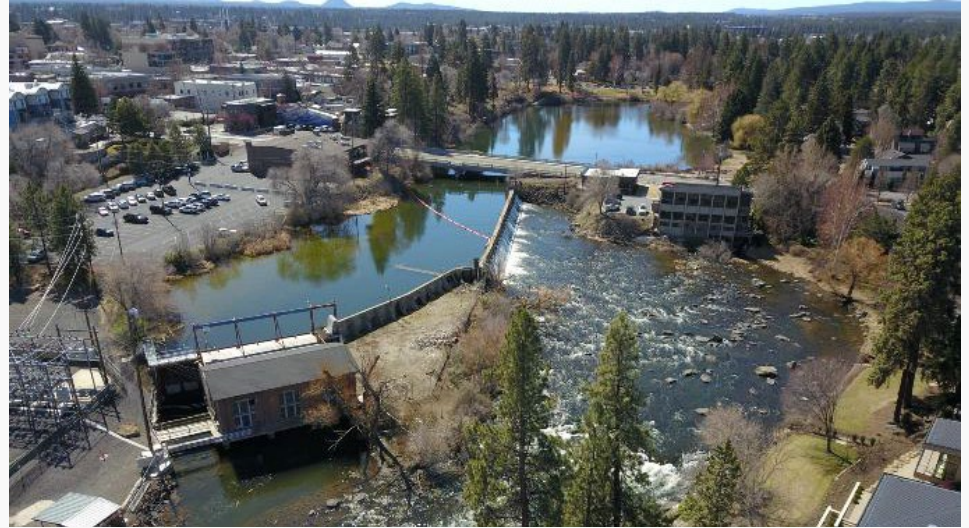


What's Next? Willow Springs Preserve Restoration



Mirror Pond Fish Passage

- Fish Passage Advisory Committee formed by City of Bend and BPRD recommended a “nature-like fishway” for fish passage at Newport Dam.
- Next steps includes UDWC raising funds for the engineering design for this fish passage structure



Gilchrist Mill Pond Fish Passage

- This summer will kick off a process to assess opportunities for fish passage at Gilchrist Mill Pond Dam. Grant funding has been approved by Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board.



Monitoring

- UDWC continues to collect stream temperature data at 18+ sites in the Upper and Middle Deschutes, Tumalo Creek, and Whychus Creek – 20+ year dataset
- Stream temperature is important information when combined with streamflow data to understand if a creek is healthy for fish and wildlife.
- 50 volunteers supported our monitoring efforts last August to sample macroinvertebrates to help understand the effectiveness of our restoration efforts



Funding

- UDWC funding comes from a mix of public and private sources
- Federal, state and county grants but also private foundations and individual and business supporters
- Our education and outreach program in particular is supported by individual and community support

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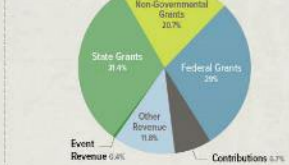
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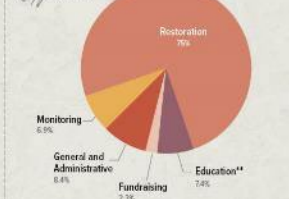
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2023 Financials 7/1/22 - 6/30/23

Revenue



Expenses



Revenue	
State Grants	\$794,530
Non-Governmental Grants	\$521,728
Federal Grants	\$732,371
Contributions	\$168,906
Other Revenue	\$297,826
Event Revenue	\$10,763
Total Revenue	\$2,526,144
Expenses	
Education**	\$176,897
Restoration	\$1,804,157
Monitoring	\$164,841
Fundraising	\$95,196
General/Administrative	\$202,021
Total Expenses	\$2,403,112
Net Income	\$123,032

**A significant portion of funding for our education program comes from individual contributions and community support.



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