

From the President

Dear Friend,
2022 was a year of transitions for our organization, encompassing changes to board members, staff, and events. We continued to host successful events and programs, develop and strengthen new and old partnerships and are looking forward to 2023.

Our ambitious Comprehensive Trails Plan is currently under review for adoption by Washington State Parks. This year FLSSP surpassed our fundraising goal of the \$200,000 required to match the \$2.8 million in grant money for two CTP projects: an entry road crosswalk project, which is completed, and the Loop Trail project, currently in early design stages.



We held several signature events and several DIY "Walks in the Park," including two new ones. Polar Plunge, Parkadilly and Camp S'more Family Camp Out were well attended and much appreciated. We organized several DIY "Walks in the Park" including Martin Luther King Day, St. Patrick's Day, Earth Day and, in partnership with the Snoqualmie Tribe, a walk focused on the Ancestral Lands Movement. We offered several educational events in the park with partners such as Eastside Audubon, Mountains to Sound Greenway, and Friends of the Issaquah Salmon Hatchery (FISH).

Ongoing beautification and restoration efforts continue. In 2022, over 250 volunteers donated over 600 volunteer hours in the park! We partnered with the Snoqualmie Tribe on improvements to the Sunset Beach Rain Garden, and hosted several corporate volunteer events with Dell, REI and others. We also launched a pilot "individual volunteer" program to enable people to volunteer in the park on their own time without having to wait for a scheduled event.

We share a love for our outdoor spaces, this community and Lake Sammamish State Park. We are successful because of you. Thank you for your continued support.

Jayme Jonas,
FLSSP President

Enhancing the quality of life for visitors and for our community through the preservation of wild natural areas and outdoor recreational opportunities.

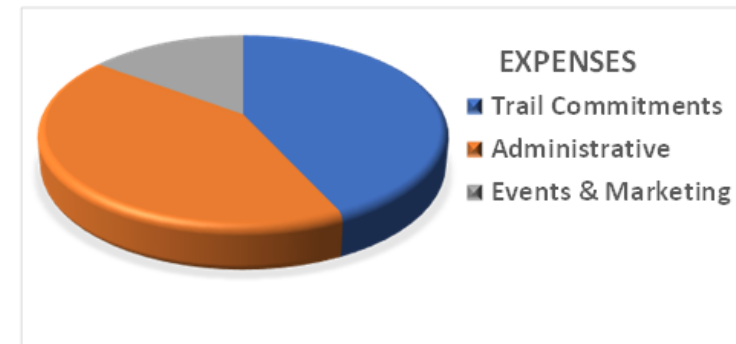
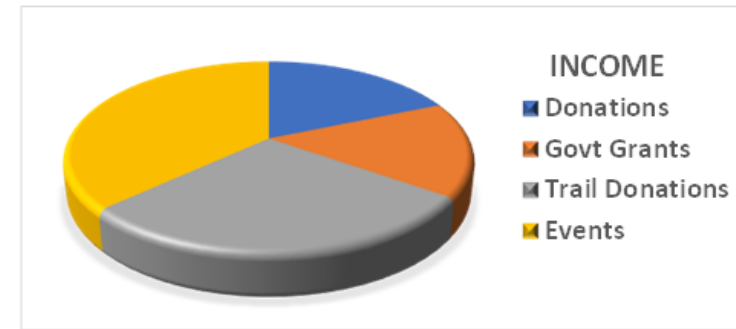
FLSSP Accomplishments 2022

- Surpassed initial fundraising goal of \$200,000 for the Comprehensive Trails Plan to match \$2.8 million in state grants
- Completed two Comprehensive Trails Plan projects:
 - #6: Marking a crosswalk across the entry road to more safely connect existing park trails
 - #13: Improving surfacing of several existing footbridges previously dangerous to cyclists
- Hosted well-attended Polar Plunge and Camp S'more Family Camp Out
- Attained record attendance at Parkadilly (over 5,000 attendees)
- Connected with community at regional events such as Earth Day (Sammamish), Issaquah Welcomes You, and Salmon Days
- Engaged over 250 volunteers in 15 restoration events
- Launched pilot individual volunteer program in partnership with Washington State Parks
- Launched pilot recycling program in conjunction with Recology and City of Issaquah



Volunteers clean up, plant and mulch the rain garden.

Friends of Lake Sammamish State Park is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to supporting, enhancing and promoting Lake Sammamish State Park for the benefit of our entire community.



INCOME	
Donations	\$ 36,052
Govt Grants	\$ 31,294
Trail Donations	\$ 55,000
Events	\$ 71,409
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 193,755

EXPENSES	
Trail Commitments	\$ 83,507
Administrative	\$ 81,550
Events & Marketing	\$ 28,698
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 193,755

Comprehensive Trails Plan Update

FLSSP has created a Comprehensive Trails Plan for the park designed to increase accessibility and connectivity for hikers, bikers and wheelchairs. We are actively working with the agency to review and adopt the CTP as a component of the Lake Sammamish State Park Master Plan. This year, we surpassed our fundraising goal of the \$200,000 in matching funds needed to activate \$3 million in state grants. Early design work began in 2022 on projects #1 and 2, the Loop Trail, and two CTP projects were completed:

#6: Marking a crosswalk across park's entry road to more safely connect existing park trails

#13: Improving surfacing of several existing footbridges previously dangerous to cyclists

Benefits of the plan

- Open up inaccessible, isolated trails for a better user experience
- Ensure better connectivity to existing trails leading outside of the park
- Provide greater access to natural spaces for users of all abilities
- Create a larger loop trail that connects to Sunset and Tibbets Beaches



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Friends of Lake Sammamish State Park 2022 Annual Report



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Lake Sammamish State Park



Events Old & New



Dell Corp. comes out to volunteer



Dancers perform at Parkadilly



Stream Bugs with Mountains to Sound Greenway



Polar Plunge New Years day 2022



Thomas Bread Volunteer Event- Leave No Trace



Children enjoying Parkadilly entertainment

FLSSP Hires New Executive Director - Jessica Schafer

Jessica has over fourteen years of experience working with non-profit environmental and conservation programs and organizations within the Pacific Northwest. Jessica has helped lobby for state legislation to plan for wildlife connectivity in several states including California, New Mexico, Oregon, and Virginia. Jessica moved to the Seattle area in 2014 and is looking forward to this opportunity to spend her time and energy with a local organization that has a tangible impact on the local community. Jessica's appointment is perfect timing as FLSSP celebrates its 10th anniversary on February 14, 2023.



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