



FRIENDS OF
VERDE RIVER
GREENWAY

2017 Annual Report



The Impact of Friends in 2017



Sustaining Flows pg. 3

4 water offset credit buyers

9.2 acre-feet of water offset



Restoring Habitat pg. 6

231 private landowner agreements

455 acres of land initially treated

1,800 acres of invasive plants monitored

6,100 hours of invasive and native plant monitoring

\$29,308 of in-kind efforts from partners & volunteers

30,441 hours of invasive plant removal



Promoting Community Stewardship pg. 11

56 local business conservation partners

\$11,742 granted to regional conservation & education projects

Friends of Verde River Greenway* is a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization. Our work to maintain river flows, protect area habitat, and involve the community will prevent more of the river from drying up and ensure the Verde can support the way we live, work, and enjoy recreation.

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Letter from the President

Dear Friends,

During the last few years, it has become increasingly apparent to Friends of Verde River Greenway and our many conservation partners that, collectively, we needed additional capacity to achieve our conservation goals.

As such, Friends has merged with two respected conservation organizations, developed a new strategic plan, and begun the search for new staff leadership. At the same time, we have broadened and strengthened our habitat and flow restoration work, and hosted our inaugural State of the Watershed conference.

In December of 2016, the Verde River Basin Partnership, a longtime proponent of science-based water management and public education, merged into Friends. In May of 2017, Verde River Valley Nature Organization, with a focus on promoting stewardship through nature-based events and education, also merged into Friends.

These mergers strengthened our ability to achieve our new strategic plan objectives; which are to *restore habitat, sustain flows and promote community stewardship*.

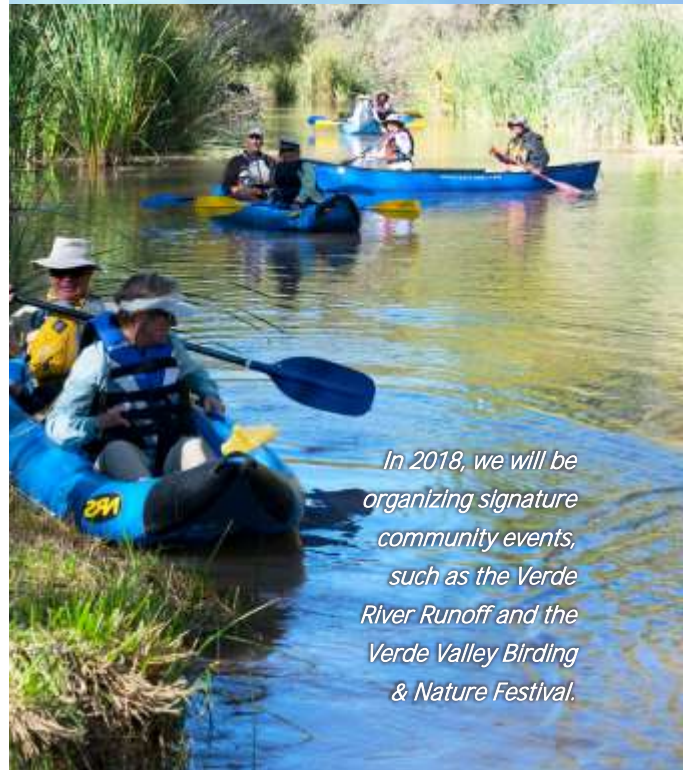
Looking forward, we began the process to hire additional staff leadership and develop a new website. All of this will occur under our new name, *Friends of the Verde River*, which better reflects our expanded scope of work.

The Verde River needs friends. Please join us this year to increase our capacity even further in support of one of the last healthy, flowing rivers in the Southwest.

Best regards,



Chip Norton



In 2018, we will be organizing signature community events, such as the Verde River Runoff and the Verde Valley Birding & Nature Festival.

**This is our last annual report as Friends of Verde River Greenway (new logo below).*

Cover Photos: Volunteers at our Pollinator Conservation Garden in Camp Verde (pg. 8).

Pictured above: Black Hawk, Verde Valley Birding and Nature Festival mascot (courtesy of Doug Von Gausig, Critical Eye Photography), and participants at the 2017 Guided Canoe Paddle.



Sustaining Flows

The Verde River is one of the last rivers in the American Southwest to still flow year-round for its entire length. Along its 192 miles it provides economic and recreational opportunities and delivers essential water supplies to our communities. Since water flow in the Verde has already decreased, and studies show that more flow will be lost to human use and changing climate conditions, we aim to work now on solutions to protect the Verde River so that it remains flowing for generations to come.

Verde Land & Water Planning Toolbox



The Verde Land & Water Planning Toolbox is an online resource that provides information about policies, innovative approaches, and other tools to reduce water usage.

Friends, along with our project partners, developed the Toolbox as an online clearinghouse, with a focus on providing a platform for effective peer-to-peer learning for planning and water management officials. It includes strategies, approaches, and tools for local, state, and federal planning. The Toolbox was launched, along with our new website, in December 2017.



[VerdeRiver.org/
Verde-Land-And-
-Water-Planning
-Toolbox](http://VerdeRiver.org/Verde-Land-And-Water-Planning-Toolbox)

Toolbox Project Partners

- I Lincoln Institute of Land Policy
- I Freshwater Policy Consulting
- I NextWest Consulting
- I Nina Mason Pulliam Charitable Trust
- I The Nature Conservancy
- I Western Resource Advocates

Verde River Exchange

The Verde River Exchange is a community driven water offset program, created in 2016 to protect Verde River flows and promote sustainable economic development. Through the Exchange, local groundwater users can reduce their “water footprint” by purchasing “Water Offset Credits.” These credits are created when other local water users agree to temporarily reduce their water use.

In 2018, the Exchange aims to expand its number of participants, grow the scope of the program, and contribute to community conversations about the need for water conservation and sustainable groundwater management.



Pictured: VWRC treated property along Oak Creek (left), and Representatives from the four current Exchange buyer participants at the 2017 Exchange Annual Event (above).



2017 Accomplishments

Doubled participation, with the addition of Out of Africa Wildlife Park and The Fish's Garden as new buyers of Water Offset Credits, and reinvestment by Page Springs Cellars and Merkin Vineyards.

Worked with The Nature Conservancy and local irrigators to create Water Offset Credits in all three of its geographic "zones."

Gained recognition as one of five finalists in the Arizona Water Innovation Challenge, sponsored by the Arizona Community Foundation, Republic Media, and the Morrison Institute for Public Policy.

Featured as a locally created water management innovation in local and national media, and at workshops and conferences around Arizona.

Sustaining Flows



Advisory Council

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Chip Norton

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2017 First Year Participants

Out of Africa Wildlife Park is located in Camp Verde and is one of the Verde Valley's largest businesses. It provides an opportunity to see hundreds of wild-by-nature animals from all over the world. In 2017 Out of Africa offset water used in its Tiger Splash exhibit and in habitat created for Totter the Otter—the baby otter that gained national attention after being rescued from a Salt River Project canal in spring 2017.

The Fish's Garden is a family aquaponics business in Camp Verde. Aquaponics is a cutting-edge method of low-water-use farming that combines fish and vegetable farming in a single system. The Fish's Garden runs a 3,000 square-foot commercial greenhouse that sells produce to local restaurants.



Building a Legacy of Community
Grantmaking since 1998



Restoring Habitat

An amazing diversity of wildlife can be found in the Verde Watershed—at least 270 species of birds, 94 species of mammals, and 76 species of native amphibians and reptiles use the watershed at some point in their life cycles. Riparian habitat—the lush strip of plant life dependent on reliable water along rivers—also provides travel corridors for wildlife and is home to several federal and state-listed threatened and endangered species. Increasing pressure from drought, recreational use, the invasion of non-native plants and animals, water scarcity, and other stressors threaten the health of this shrinking riparian and wetland habitat.

Verde Watershed Restoration Coalition

The Verde Watershed Restoration Coalition (VWRC) is a collaborative effort uniting local stakeholders to maintain a healthy Verde River by addressing threats and opportunities for improving river health.

One cornerstone of VWRC's success is private landowner participation. As of December 2017, VWRC has habitat improvement agreements with [231 Private Landowners](#). These agreements allow VWRC to conduct on-the-ground projects, largely focused on controlling invasive plants in the Verde Watershed. Our landowners own property along the river and adjacent uplands, in the communities of Camp Verde, Clarkdale, Cornville, Cottonwood, Page Springs, Perkinsville, Sedona, and Verde Village.

Pictured: Aquaponic lettuce (left, courtesy of The Fish's Garden) and Arizona Conservation Crew member with Giant Reed (right)—Giant Reed (Arundo Donax), an invasive perennial grass from Southeast Asia, can grow up to 30 feet in a single season.



Restoring Habitat



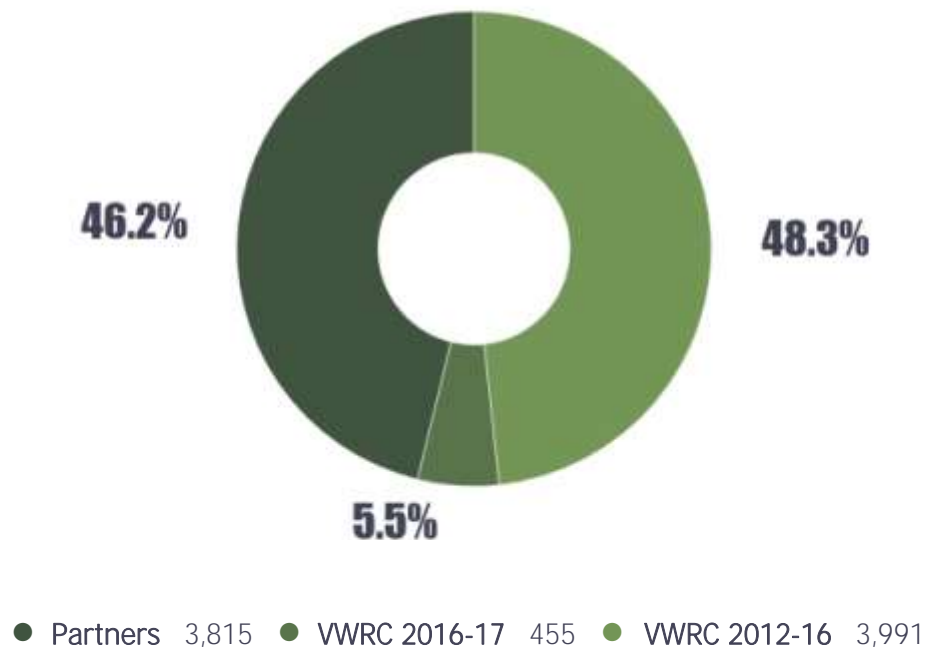
Invasive Plant Management

During the 2016-2017 treatment season, we employed four AZ Conservation Corps crews and one Vets-4-Hire crew to implement invasive species treatments in the Verde River watershed. Together, they logged 30,441 hours of invasive removal and 6,100 hours of invasive and native plant monitoring. They treated over 1900 acres; 227 acres of initial treatment on 455 acres of land, and another 226 acres of retreatment on over 1400 acres of land. The following spring and summer, our monitoring crews mapped nearly 1,800 acres of invasive plants, monitored invasive regrowth, and assessed native plant recruitment across the Verde Watershed.



Pictured: Mesa Blanco Tank before & after Tamarisk removal

Total Acres Initially Treated: 8,261



What is an invasive plant?

An invasive is a non-native plant, introduced into a new environment where it spreads aggressively, is difficult to control, and prevents native plants from growing. In the Verde Watershed, invasive species—particularly Tamarisk, Russian Olive, Tree of Heaven, and Giant Reed—threaten the health and sustainability of natural habitat along the river corridor.

Working Collaboratively to Restore the Verde Watershed

Verde Native Seed Cooperative

The Co-op is one of VWRC's multiple working groups. It is a small collective of buyers and growers of native plant materials consisting of non-profits, federal and state agencies, NAU, environmental consultants, and the Yavapai-Apache nation. The Co-op is working to meet the demand for local native seed and plants in the Verde Watershed while diversifying income for agricultural producers in the region.

In 2017, our native seed collection crew and volunteers made 67 collections of 27 high-priority native plant species. These collections will be used for future seed increase projects in Arizona and help build capacity for local farmers to produce local, genetically appropriate seed for the Forest Service and other regional restoration projects. The Co-op also established two native grass fields in Camp Verde: 0.6 acres on Yavapai-Apache land and 0.3 acres at Rezzonico Park.

Pollinator Conservation

A global decline in pollinator populations, termed the "pollinator crisis," has received national attention because ecosystem health, food security, and thus human welfare, are at risk. Pollination is required for successful reproduction in 85% of flowering species and 35% of food crops worldwide (1 in every 3 bites of food).

At The Nature Conservancy's Shield Ranch, VWRC is maintaining a 5-acre pollinator conservation garden. This will provide essential forage, egg-laying, and nesting sites for resident and migrating pollinators. The garden includes 4-7 species of flower throughout the spring, summer, and fall, including milkweeds for monarchs. In its second year, the garden already supports 25 taxa of butterflies, native bees, pollinating flies, and honeybees!



Pictured (from top to bottom): Tribal seed collection interns learning how to collect Seeds of Success data, Cane Blue Stem (Bothriochloa Barbinodis) grass at our Rezzonico Park Native Grass Field in Camp Verde, and Antelope Horns, (Asclepias Asperula) seed collections for future pollinator waystations.

Restoring Habitat

The Verde River: State of the Watershed Conference

May 10th and 11th, 2017. Friends' Laura Jones and Southwest Decision Resources' Carrie Eberly co-convened a diverse working group that would pull off one of the most comprehensive and well attended conferences about the Verde River in decades.

This year's conference theme, "Restoring Habitat, Sustaining Flows, and Promoting Community Stewardship," represented the core efforts being implemented by VWRC Partners through the Verde Watershed. On day-one, attendees chose from 15 field trips hosted by VWRC Partners to see first-hand the work being accomplished. Some attendees took a ride on the Verde Canyon Railroad to hear about the Verde River Exchange, others looked at invasive plant management projects along the Verde River. Vincent Randall, an Apache elder and Director of Apache Culture for the Yavapai-Apache Nation, kicked off the day with a moving invocation, reminding us all that the river will sustain us if we take care of her. Later during panel presentations, attendees learned about challenges and opportunities along the Verde River, from restoring riparian, spring, and wetland habitat, to implementing on-farm irrigation efficiencies, engaging volunteers, and developing innovative solutions to link our local economy with the health of our river system.

During lunch made by the local Mine Café in Jerome, 198 attendees listened to the conference keynote speaker Sarah Porter, Director of the Kyl Center for Water Policy at ASU Morrison Institute, talk "The Cost of Uncertainty" of water in the Southwest. Anna Schrenk, Friends' Program Director and Coordinator of VWRC, reflected on the conference by saying, "the sheer number of attendees and honest discussions about the state of our watershed I saw during this two-day event gives me hope that the Verde Watershed community will continue work to sustain

flows, restore habitat, and promote community stewardship for many decades to come."

The second State of the Watershed Conference will be held in October 2019.

Pictured: Conference presentation on 05/10/17 (left) and MLK Day volunteers on 01/16/17 (right).



Working Collaboratively for a Healthy Verde River

Verde Outdoor Volunteer Network

The Verde Outdoor Volunteer Network (VOVN) is coordinated by VWRC in conjunction with the Verde Front, a regional collaborative fostering stewardship of natural and cultural resources. Its mission is to increase capacity of individual volunteer coordinators and enhance volunteer networking across Verde Watershed communities. The VOVN aims to achieve this by providing cross-jurisdictional volunteer opportunities, increasing volunteer engagement for youth and young adults, training volunteer leaders, and promoting community stewardship.

In 2017 the VOVN coordinated two events: a Martin Luther King Day river cleanup near Tuzigoot bridge and an Oak Creek trash cleanup with Zane Grey Trout Unlimited.



VWRC Funding Partners

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VWRC Steering Committee

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Vivian Stevens & David Lewis

Yavapai-Apache Nation

Michael Kellett &

Marc Stravropoulos

Prescott National Forest

Erin Cody

Verde NRC Ed Center

Promoting Community Stewardship

We work to inspire stewardship among residents and visitors in support of the river we love. The Verde River and its watershed are unique national treasures—people from around the world choose to travel here to experience our picturesque and iconic landscapes, as well as our cultural heritage and vibrant communities. Our residents value the opportunities the river provides, such as access to natural beauty, enhanced quality of life, and of course, water supplies. Friends wants future generations to experience the wonder that the Verde River and its tributaries bring to watershed residents and visitors today.



Advisory Board

Wendy Edwards

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Tom Taylor

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*Pictured: OFTV Conservation Partners
in Old Town Cottonwood in front of the
Red Rooster Café.*

One for the Verde

One for the Verde (OFTV) brings together the collective resources of business conservation partners to raise funds to implement conservation projects across the Verde River Watershed. These conservation projects go directly to enhancing the natural resources of the watershed which is **essential to our community's way of life.**

Over 2017, the presence of One For The Verde has grown substantially in the Verde Valley. Our conservation partners came up with innovative fundraising events, such as Thirsty Thursday at the State Bar, the Art Walk in Jerome at Cellar 433, and Boots, Brats and Beer at Blazin' M Ranch. In the coming year, we hope to collaborate with conservation partners on even more ways of engaging our diverse community.



Local Businesses Supporting a Healthy Verde River

Conservation Partners FY 2017

Doing business with these Conservation Partners directly contributes to a healthy Verde River. Please make sure that you let our Conservation Partners know that you support One for the Verde!

Adventures & Sightseeing

Arizona Off-Road Adventures
South by Southwest Adventures
Clarkdale Kayak Co.

Arts & Crafts

Kyla Allen—Twin Wolf Designs
Art Institute Glitter, Inc.

Art Galleries

The Melting Point
Cartwheels Gallery

Financial Services

Taylor and Huntley Financial Group
Kinzey & Arndt: CPA

Beer, Spirits, & Wine

10-12 Lounge
Arizona Stronghold Vineyards
Bootleggers Saloon
Cellar 433
Chateau Tumbleweed Winery
Fire Mountain Wines
Four Eight Wineworks
Kactus Kate's Saloon
Old Corral Bar
Page Springs Cellars
Salt Mine Cellars
THAT Brewery
Vino Di Sedona

Building & Construction

Grey Fox Ridge
Kenny's Plumbing

Business & Technology

Priority Payment
Spin Widgets Digital Marketing

Furniture

Western Heritage Furniture

Feed Stores

Olsen's Grain, Inc.

Hotels

Iron Horse Inn

Legal Services

Aspey, Watkins and Diesel, PLLC

Markets

Indian Gardens Oak Creek Market
Chevron—Yavapai-Apache Nation

Non-Profits

Angie's House
Local First Arizona

Real Estate

Century 21 Sexton Real Estate
Coldwell Banker—Mabery
Keller Williams Legacy One Realty

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Restaurants & Dining

Babe's Roundup
Blazin' M Ranch
Boat House Bar & Grill
Bootleggers Saloon
Far Side Bistro
Firehouse Donuts
Merkin Vineyards & Osteria
Old Town Red Rooster Café
Su Casa Restaurant & Cantina

Salons & Spas

Hair by Maya—Patricia Vega Salon

Shopping & Boutiques

All Things Creative
Cat's Meow
Christy Fisher Studio
Old Town Pepper Company
Red Geranium Boutique
River's Edge
Treasure Junkies
Verde Valley Olive Oil Traders

In-Kind Contributors

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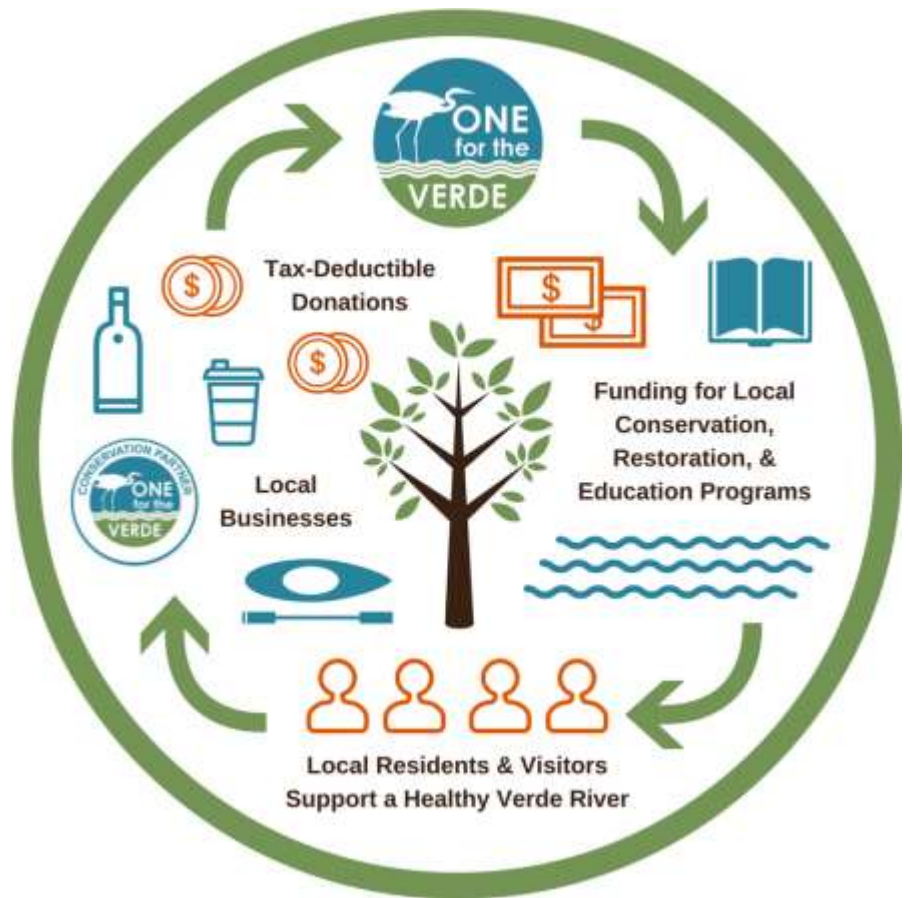
Promoting Community Stewardship

How it Works

Local business “Conservation Partners” and their customers contribute funds to One for the Verde. Each business chooses its unique way of contributing. Examples include: a portion of the cost of a bottle of wine or special flight of tastings, \$1.00 per kayak rental, or a special item in the inventory is named “the Verde River item” and a portion of proceeds go to One for the Verde.

Business contributions go directly into a savings account used only for funding conservation, restoration, and education programs. One for the Verde’s operating expenses (mostly our coordinator position salary) are paid for with grants and larger donations from patrons.

One for the Verde distributes contributed funds through an annual competitive grant cycle. Local conservation organizations, municipalities, and public land agencies submit applications to implement projects in support of a healthy Verde Watershed. A Selection Board, made up of participating business owners and community leaders, will choose the recipients.



Thanks to fundraising events, and monthly donations from our conservation partners, we were able to award \$11,742 for regional conservation and education projects benefitting the Verde Watershed.

2017 One for the Verde Grant Recipients

- I **Adopt-A-Vet** was awarded \$5,000 to support one position on their Veteran's Conservation Crew. This Vetraplex program provides employment and professional development opportunities to veterans in the Verde Valley. They work with the Verde Watershed Restoration Coalition to manage invasive species and improve the health of the Verde Watershed.
- I **Oak Creek Watershed Council** was awarded \$3,992 to fund the Verde Watershed Ambassador Program, to educate the public and youth about watershed health and water quality, and remove trash from local waterways.
- I **Arizona Wilderness Coalition** was awarded \$2,750 to improve the riparian habitat at Dry Creek, a tributary of Oak Creek, by removing a series of illegally built in channel concrete dams. These dams have caused sediment impairments for the creek, including 1500 pounds of debris build-up.

Pictured: Verde Watershed Ambassadors getting ready to remove trash from along Fossil Creek (left) and AZ Wilderness Coalition volunteers at Dry Creek (below)— it took 15 volunteers, 3 pack animals, and 11 loads to clean out all the concrete & misc. wire, fencing, and debris from the dams.



Volunteers

Ten years ago, Friends began as a small group of committed volunteers. Today, volunteers are still central to all the work we do, from removing invasive plants from along the river, to weeding and planting pollinator conservation gardens. Our volunteers are a hard working group, passionate about conserving the unique environment of the Verde Valley →

We our volunteers!

Kurt Anderson
Riley Anderson
Martin Ball
Chris Barke
Sandy Beard
Asher Bernstein
Andrew Bowden
Branden Bowden
Ryan Bowden
Stephanie Bowden
Linda Brigham
Aaron Brown
Robert Bruce
L. Bryn
Claire Catlett
Bob Coates
Felicia Coates
Gary Collins
Ron Condon
Amber Cooper
Casey Crow
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Eric Dale
Randy Davidson
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Randy Gerdt
Thomas Gordon
Steve Graff
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John Grider
Will Jackson
Zearar Jaquez
Chris Jensen
Laura Jones
Chris Joyce
Katelynn Kenneth
Caroline Lee
Ellie Lenz
Matthew Lockman-Franlin
John Lu
Jordon Luzier
Gayle Mabery
Peter Malmgren
Jason Manuelito
Noel Martin
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Diana Mazzaferro
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Michelle Norris
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Ronda Ogilvie

Joan Otterson
Mynzah Osiris
Laura Paukert
Kent Paulsen
Tracy Paulsen
Kim Poucher
Jake Pratt
Rebecca Pulido
James Quinn
Melissa Robinson
Eric Rodriguez
Adam Rouse
Julianna Saravo
Beverly Sass
Matt Schelske
Kim Schonek
Anna Schrenk
Hannah Siroky
Karl Siwk
Joe Spangler
Eamonn Stewart
Troy Swank
Bonnie Sweeny
Bill Sweet
Rebecca Taylor
Brad Thrope
Kim Thursby
Judy Tinchier
Ben Troth
Sara Van Marel
Andres Velez
David Warren
Joshua Wheeler
Martin Yassi

961.5 volunteer hours = **\$27,139** total value

Fiscal year 2017 is designated July 1, 2016—June 30, 2017

2017 Annual Awards

George Groseta Private Land Owner of the Year

In addition to joining the VWRC as a partner, George also encouraged his neighbor to join, allowing us to treat even more property in the region!

Kate Watters Partner of the Year

This year, Kate enthusiastically lead the Verde Native Seed Co-op, educating our community on the importance of local seed sources and pollinator conservation!

Mynzah Osiris Volunteer of the Year

Mynzah was one of our most active volunteers this year and was a huge help in moving and setting up our new office!

Anna Schrenk President's Award

In the six years since Anna joined VWRC, she has trained crews, secured funding, and helped the coalition “move beyond the weeds” to restore the health of our watershed!



Friends' Staff FY2017

Anna Schrenk	Program Director
Bonnie Sweeny	Program Administrator
Emily Garding	GIS Specialist
Laura Jones	Outreach & Development Director
Melissa Robinson	One for the Verde Coordinator
Sarah Van Marel	VWRC Field Supervisor
Ben Kowalewski	VWRC Field Supervisor
Riley Scantlebury	VWRC Field Assistant
Claire Catlett	AmeriCorps VISTA Communications & Outreach

Board of Directors FY2017

Chip Norton	President
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Marsha Foutz	
Brent Bitz	
Max Castillo	
Jeni O'Callaghan	

Pictured: (top to bottom, left to right) Mynzah Osiris, Anna Schrenk, & Ben Kowalewski at Crescent Moon Ranch for our ditch diversion volunteer event, and Kate Watters & Melissa Robinson at Shield Ranch for our pollinator garden planting volunteer event.

Donors

Dragonfly—up to \$99

Peggy Alexander
All Things Creative
Arizona Stronghold
Tina Blake
Alexandra Boothe
Bootleggers
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Cartwheels Gallery
Cat's Meow
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Firehouse Donut
Marsha Foutz
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Lousia Jaskulski
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River's Edge
Melissa Robinson
Jane Rodgers
Kim & Nick Schonek
Elizabeth Sexton

Gail Shaw Simpson
Deborah Smith
Christine Smith
Bonnie Sweeny
THAT Brewery
Sara VanMarel
Verde Adventure Tours
Vino Di Sedona
Kate Watters
Adrian Webber
Michael Wellborn
Roxanne Wessel
Wild Rose Tea House

Beaver—\$100-\$499

10-12 Lounge
JoEllen Alberhasky
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Brent Bitz
Ramsey Boehner
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Grey Fox Ridge LLC
Hair by Maya
David Jones
Laura Jones
Daniel Eric Kates
Kenny's Plumbing
Kohnen Family Trust
Local First Arizona
Birgit Loewenstein

Laura Moser
Nate's Cowboy Cafe
Network for Good
NextWest Consulting
Erik Nielsen
Ocotillo House Airbnb
Old Corral
Old Town Frame Company
Oxbow Ecological Engineering
Page Springs Tractor
Priority Payments Tech Partners
Monica Rauton
Russ Lyon Sotheby's
Su Casa
Sustainable Arizona
Melinda Szatlocky
The Melting Point
Verde Valley Olive Oil Traders
Yavapai-Apache Nation

Black Hawk—\$500-\$999

AZ Game & Fish Department
Chateau Tumbleweed
Fire Mountain Wine
Four Eight Wineworks
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Kactus Kate's
Oak Creek Watershed Council
Jeni & Mike O'Callaghan
Bob & Kristin Rothrock
Anna Schrenk
Sedona Chamber of Commerce &
Tourism Bureau
South By Southwest Adventures
Town of Camp Verde
Vetraplex

Desert Willow—\$1,000-\$2,499

AZ State Parks
Blazin' M Ranch
City of Cottonwood

Desert Willow—\$1,000—\$2,499

Coldwell Banker Mabery

Real Estate

Freeport McMoRan

Chip Norton

Page Springs Cellars

Perkins Ranch Inc.

Red Rooster Café

Taylor & Huntley Financial Group

The Dorrance Family Foundation

Town of Clarkdale

River Otter—\$2,500-\$4,999

Arizona Gives Day

National Park Service

Salt River Material Group (SRMG)

Fremont Cottonwood—\$5,000-\$9,999

APS

Salt River Project

Verde Valley Land Preservation

Desert Bald Eagle—\$10,000+

Arizona Water Protection Fund

AS State Forestry

AZ Community Foundation

AZ Game & Fish Department

Environmental Defense Fund

National Forest Foundation

Nina Mason Pulliam Charitable Trust

Tamarisk Coalition

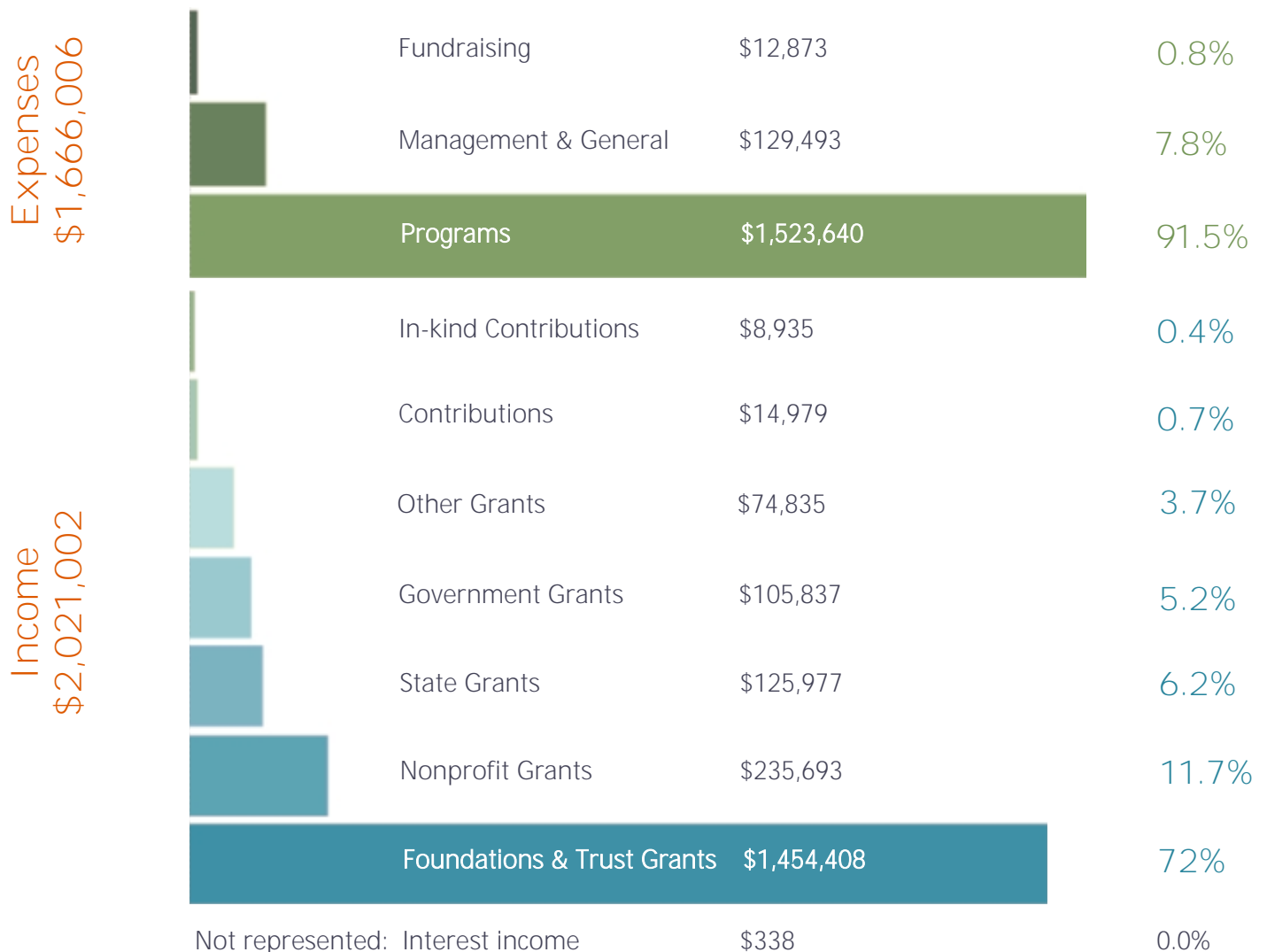
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services

U.S. Forest Service

Walton Family Foundation

On behalf of the river, everyone at Friends of Verde River Greenway thanks you for your support!

FY2017 Financial Summary





Friends of the Verde River

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Friends' name was legally changed to Friends of the Verde River in March 2018.



**Working Collaboratively
for a Healthy Verde River**

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