



Share in nature's harmony



Annual Report 2018

Mission: Friends of Reinstein Woods promotes knowledge of nature through awareness, appreciation, and stewardship of the unique and diverse environment of Reinstein Woods and its programs.

Message from the President

Dear Friends,

On behalf of the board of directors and staff at Reinstein Woods Nature Preserve, we want to take this opportunity to thank you for your support in 2018.

This past year at Reinstein Woods was truly remarkable. The Friends group continues to grow and welcome new members, volunteers and staff. We explored trails, discovered wildlife, and connected to nature with you by our side.

Your generosity allows Reinstein Woods to offer more than 500 programs to students, teachers, and the general public in 2018. Together, we rehabilitated habitats and diverse ecosystems at Reinstein Woods.

We cannot wait to embark on another exciting year. Thanks to your investment, we will connect even more students to nature at Reinstein Woods and in their own backyards. Together, we will tackle stewardship projects to maintain a healthy environment for diverse wildlife. We cannot thank you enough for your dedication and support of Reinstein Woods, and we look forward to seeing you on the trails in 2019.

Sincerely,

Terrence Boyle
President



2018-2019 Board of Directors

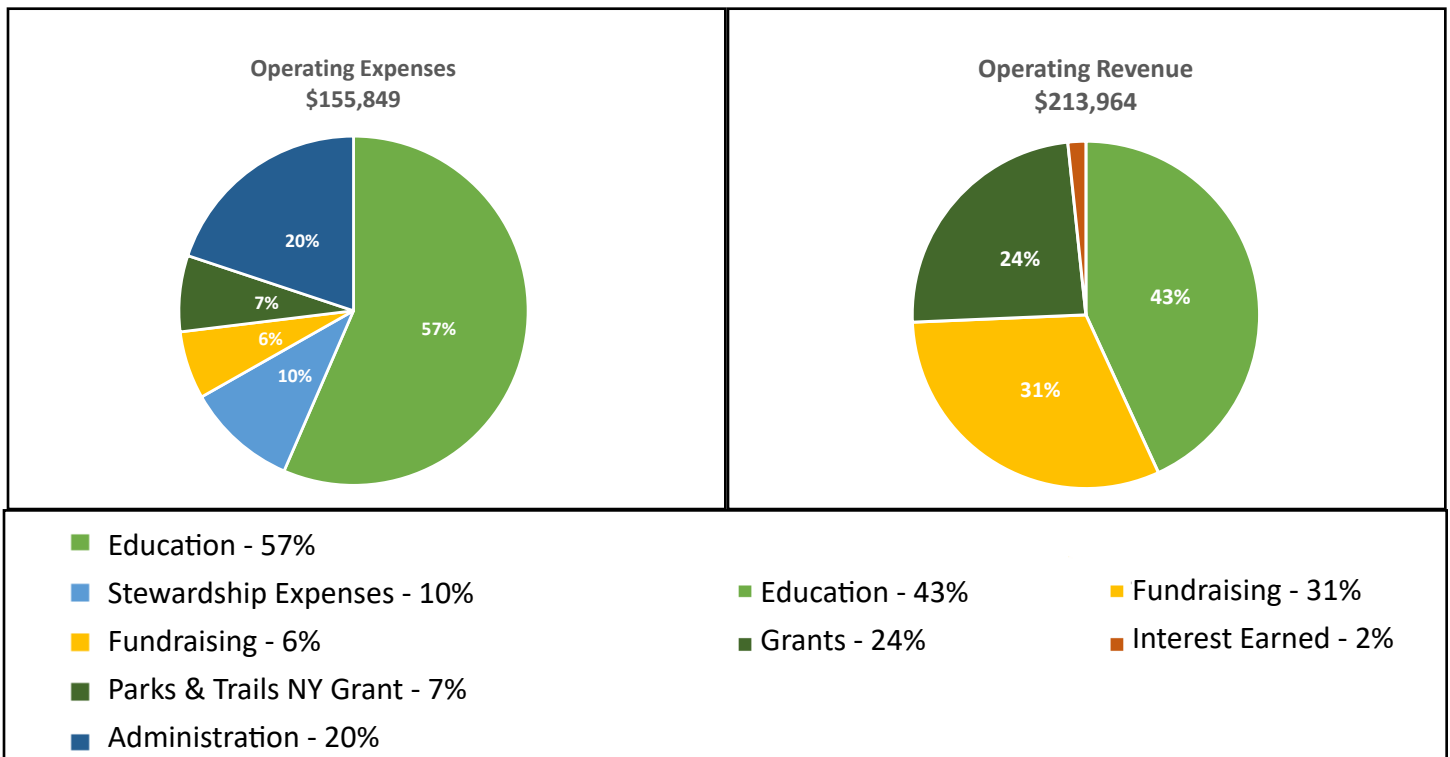
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2018 Highlights

- Engaged more than 11,000 children through programs onsite and at locations throughout Western New York
- More than half of the students served come from urban, underserved neighborhoods
- Controlled an invasive plant, *Phragmites australis*, on more than 30 acres
- Planted more than 360 native shrubs, trees, and wildflowers and spread native seed at 10 sites that were previously dominated by Phragmites
- Welcomed more than 140,000 visitors from at least 32 states and 16 foreign countries
- Prevented 875 pounds from entering landfills by hosting Dare to Repair Cafes
- Hosted a public shredding event where we shredded and recycled 5,920 pounds of paper to keep it out of landfills
- Provided public programs, such as walks and talks, to more than 1,500 individuals

2018 Operating Expenses and Revenue



"I have a million happy memories of Reinstein Woods with my family: your nature day, guided hikes, and just walking around the grounds exploring...Thank you Reinstein Woods!"
- Jennifer Morrison, Reinstein Woods visitor



Thank you to all of the generous donors, volunteers, members, and individuals who make Reinstein Woods such a special place.

"I can't wait to do that again! That was the best thing ever!" - Fifth grade campership student after trying cross country skiing for her first time

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"It's truly the rare special place that gives me a great sense of peace and adventure!" - Reinstein Woods visitor

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*“Even if I got bitten by 1,000 mosquitos, I’d still come back here tomorrow.”
- 2018 Camper, age 9*



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Ways to Give Back

Become a Member

Members help sustain Reinstein Woods and also enjoy benefits such as member-only events, a free snowshoe or cross-country ski rental, and discounts on special programs and summer camps.

Volunteer

Reinstein Woods relies on the dedicated service of our wonderful volunteers. Volunteers help maintain trails, serve on committees, greet guests, and help visitors share in nature's harmony. Learn more at www.reinsteinwoods.org

Donate

When you invest in Reinstein Woods, you support environmental education programs and stewardship projects designed to introduce students, teachers, and the general public to nature.

Remember Reinstein

When you remember Reinstein Woods in your will, you plant the seeds for the future of the unique and diverse environment at Reinstein Woods and its programs. Your planned gift helps ensure that future generations will have the same opportunity to experience the wonders of nature.

Annual Events

Winter Wonderland: February
I Love My Park Day/Earth Day in May: May
Outdoors Day: June
Reinstein Woods Artisan Market: August
Fall Festival: September
Annual Meeting: October
Member Holiday Party: December

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