



BY THE NUMBERS

The Pennsylvania Parks and Forests Foundation and friends chapters across the state steward YOUR parks and forests through volunteerism, education, and projects. In 2021, we collectively hosted:



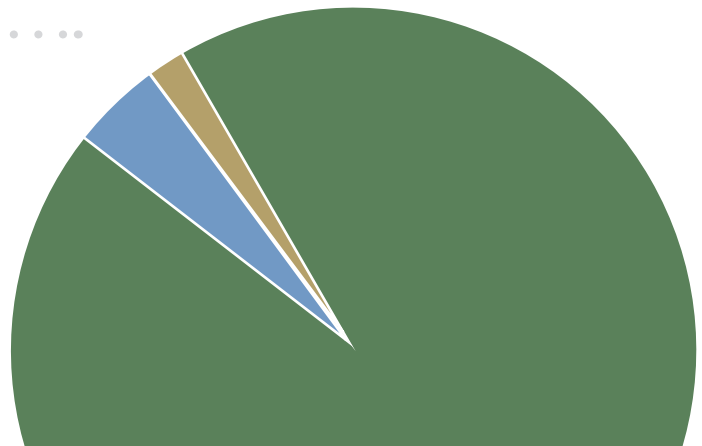
The value of this volunteerism is worth more than

\$1,198,000

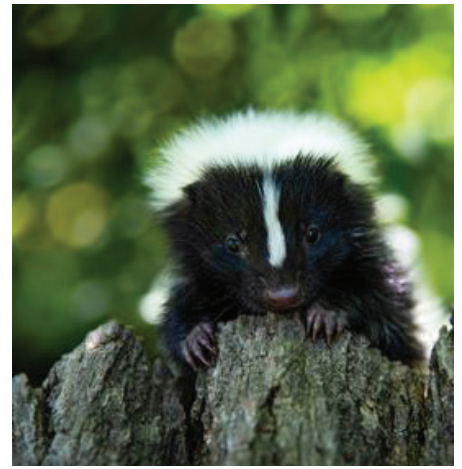
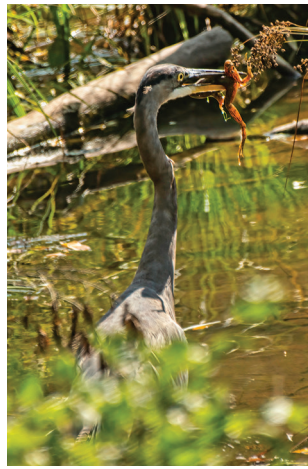
EXPENSES

The Pennsylvania Parks and Forests Foundation prides itself in sound fiscal management and investing revenues in programs, not administration.

■ PROGRAM ■ MANAGEMENT ■ FUNDRAISING



The 50th anniversary of the Environmental Rights Amendment provided the theme by which the Foundation organized our year, working to raise awareness of the role this important amendment plays for Pennsylvania's state parks and forests. From the photo contest to our first ever song contest, from a virtual forum to a poetry contest, you joined us in the celebration, sharing your voice on how this amendment benefits not only our natural world, but human health and the state's economy. Relive the year in our downloadable flip book at: [Environmental Rights Amendment | Pennsylvania Parks and Forests Foundation \(paparksandforests.org\)](https://paparksandforests.org)



A YEAR IN REVIEW

Always trying to help people to understand the value of parks and forests to physical, mental and emotional health, along with the economic values of these places in the landscape, five videos were created to spread the word. These videos—along with other recordings of lunch and learns and informational videos—are readily found on the Pennsylvania Parks and Forests Foundation YouTube Channel.



- Part of our mission to enhance the skills of our
- volunteers is to provide training, like in the safe
- use of chainsaws. Twenty-five sawyers were
- certified in 2021. It takes strength and stamina to
- wield this equipment; and to learn to use them in
- a white-out as these hearty sawyers can attest.



To educate decision makers on the value of state parks and forests we returned to leading tours of state park and forest infrastructure and maintenance needs. One such tour took us to Evansburg State Park, where we were joined by twelve legislators and members of the Montgomery County Planning Commission.

PPFF and friends strive to improve the visitor experience and to make parks and forests welcoming destinations for all visitors. A sampling of expenditure of time and funds includes;

- 5 PLAYGROUNDS BUILT
- 1 ADA KAYAK LAUNCH PLACED
- 427 MATURE TREES PLANTED
- 18 GARDENS MAINTAINED
- 116 TRAILS MAINTAINED
- 11 TRAIL BRIDGES BUILT OR MAINTAINED
- 3 INTERPRETIVE PANELS PLACED
- 1 AMPHITHEATER BUILT