



Supporting the Everglades in West Palm Beach

2018 ANNUAL REPORT

Submitted to

The City of West Palm Beach

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Grassy Waters Conservancy

2018 Highlights

- **Grants received:**
 - JP Morgan Charitable Giving Fund/Firestone Foundation (school bus trips \$3,000)
 - Kate Svitek Memorial Foundation (summer camp \$4,000)
 - Lake Worth Community High School Shape Club (invasive Apple Snail project \$1,000)
 - Ibis Charities Foundation (2 specialized wheelchairs \$2,700)
 - Vanguard Charitable/Pray Family Fund (summer camp \$1,000)
 - Florida Power & Light Company (for a major exhibit and summer camp \$18,100)
- **Palm Beach State intern program (2nd year)**
- **Sponsored summer camp program (2nd year)**
- **NOVA Southeastern University graduate student water quality study completed**
- **Sponsored 6 public school bus trips**
- **Fourth annual Conservancy Grassy Waters Photo Contest**
- **Photo Group growing and increasing activities**
- **Partnering with the WPB library and Armory Art Center**
- **Participating in Amazon Smile and Great Give fundraising**
- **Started Conservancy FaceBook page**

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12/31/18 Financial Summary

12/31/17	BALANCE	<u>\$ 29,511</u>
Revenues (net expenses)		
Contributions *		\$ 35,247
Annual Photo Contest		\$ 1,939
Memberships & Misc **		<u>\$ 1,890</u>
	Subtotal	<u>\$ 39,076</u>
	Total Funds Available	\$ 68,587
Disbursements & Expenses ***		
Annual Grassy Poster		(\$ 692)
Summer Camp Program		(\$ 4,000)
Lifejackets & Paddles		(\$ 1,387)
Palm Beach State Student		(\$ 150)
Elem School Bus trips		(\$ 1,548)
Wheelchairs		(\$ 2,214)
Invasive Snail Project		(\$ 960)
Misc. to Grassy		<u>(\$ 213)</u>
	Subtotal	(\$11,164)
	Office & IT expenses ****	<u>(\$ 3,193)</u>
12/31/18	BALANCE	<u>\$ 54,230</u>

- Notes: * Contributions increased 103%
** 70 paid memberships on 12/31/18, increased from 56
*** \$20,000 committed for 2019 to Nature Center exhibit
**** Office & IT expenses decreased from 10% to 8%

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Progress on Strategic Plan Priorities

1. Natural, Cultural and Historic Resources

- Secured FPL funding for nature center exhibit...planning begun

2. Environmental Education and Research

- Second annual PB State student intern program
 - One intern worked on trail projects
 - Three interns for 2019 to work on the invasive Apple Snail project
- Sponsored 6 public elementary school bus trips
- Successful astronomy night
- NOVA graduate student water quality study completed
- Sponsored the 2nd annual summer camp program
 - Provided funding for two intern/counselors, new paddles & life jackets
- Lake Worth HS Grant funded invasive Apple Snail project traps

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Progress on Strategic Plan Priorities

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3. Visitors

- **Fourth annual Conservancy Grassy Waters Photo Contest**
 - **Entries increased to 162 (a record number)**
 - **Sponsored Nature Center's annual poster**
- **Conservancy Photo Group growing and increasing activities**
- **Successful astronomy night**
- **Funded the second annual summer camp program**
- **Received the Ibis grant and purchased two special wheelchairs**
- **Started Conservancy FaceBook page to expand outreach**

4. Volunteers and Partners

- **Continued partnering with NOVA and Palm Beach State**
- **Received a number of new grants**
- **Partnering with the WPB Library and Armory Art Center**
- **Facilitated Bank of America volunteer activity**
- **New Advisory Member from the Armory Art Center**