

IMPACT

REPORT

2024



REGIONAL PARKS
Foundation

Supporting East Bay Regional Parks



MISSION & VALUES

The Regional Parks Foundation supports the East Bay Regional Park District through fundraising to provide universal access, environmental stewardship, educational and recreational programs, and the acquisition of parklands.

At the Regional Parks Foundation, we recognize the essential role nature plays in fostering a healthy, balanced life. Our mission is to provide resources that ensure everyone in the East Bay can enjoy equal access to the parks, trails, programs, and services of the East Bay Regional Park District. By harnessing the benefits of nature, we strive to keep our communities vibrant and healthy, while inspiring future generations to cherish and safeguard our rich natural and cultural heritage.

EAST BAY REGIONAL PARKS



73

Regional Parks, Recreation Areas, Shorelines, Preserves and Land Bank Areas

1,330

Miles of Trails

126,809

Acres Managed





3,088

Students and teachers **received field trip and classroom support** through the Kids Healthy Outdoor Challenge

1,122

Kids gained **outdoor skills** as part of three Adventure Crews

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

The Foundation is committed to building confidence, resilience, and creativity in young people. Through hands-on science education and outdoor skills, we inspire the next generation of environmental leaders. Our youth programs give local students the chance to learn about the environment and connect with nature in their own neighborhoods, helping them become the park stewards of tomorrow.



HEALTH, WELLNESS & SAFETY

Spending time in nature boosts both our mental and physical well-being. The Regional Parks Foundation supports healthier communities by helping people get outdoors and stay active. We provide everything from water safety programs and trail gear to rescue equipment, giving park visitors and staff the tools and confidence they need to safely enjoy our parks and recreational spaces.

19,702

Miles completed by finishers of the **Annual Trails Challenge**

1,338

Participated in Parks Prescription programs

432

Kids gained water safety skills through swim lessons and Aquatic Adventure Camp





40,000

Contributed for **California Tiger Salamander habitat restoration** at Black Diamond Mines

\$37,388

Awarded by California Fire Safe Council for **mixed herd grazing**

\$16,360

Provided for **Western Pond Turtle monitoring** at Sunol

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

As climate change continues to shape our world, the Foundation is committed to protecting habitats and wildlife so they can thrive. We support fuels reduction and grazing projects in the wildlife-urban interface to mitigate wild-fire risks, helping keep both nature and nearby communities safe.

UNIVERSAL ACCESS

At the Foundation, we believe parks must be accessible to everyone. Our goal is to remove barriers and create a welcoming space for all by supporting programs that reach historically underserved communities and reflect the East Bay's rich diversity.

We provide transportation for school groups and translation services for park programs. We also offer activities for youth and adults with disabilities, collaborate with local libraries on the Backpacks to Parks initiative, and provide scholarships and free memberships to those in need. These efforts help make park visits more affordable and offer meaningful experiences that create lasting connections.

6,309 Park visitors received bus transportation to community programs

1,270 All Abilities Day participants

1,138 Scholarships awarded for aquatic programs and summer camps



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Show your love for the parks through one of the many community engagement opportunities the Foundation offers. Partner with us to keep parks accessible for all and to protect wildlife and open space for generations to come. We can't do it without you!

\$3.25
MILLION

Funds Raised in 2024

16,098 Community Members
served



MEMBERSHIP

There are so many great reasons to join the Regional Parks Foundation! Whether you love hiking, biking, birdwatching, swimming, fishing, boating, or just celebrating life outdoors, our parks have something for everyone. As a member, you'll enjoy exclusive perks that make

your park visits even better—all while giving back to the natural spaces we all cherish.

Your membership isn't just an annual pass; it's a meaningful way to support and sustain regional parks.

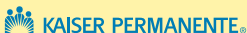


12,600

Regional Park
Foundation Members

INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERS

Thank you to our corporate and institutional partners who provide critical support for Regional Parks Foundation programs and initiatives:



DONORS

In 2024, we celebrated many milestones, made possible in part by Foundation funding, including the ribbon-cutting of the newly renovated Roberts Pool. **We supported the East Bay Park District's 90th anniversary at ParkFest and hosted Lakeside Laps, the Foundation's first half-marathon, 10K and 5K** running and walking event in support of regional parks at Lake Chabot.



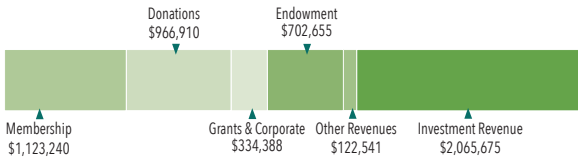
\$109,148 Total value of bequests

BEQUESTS & LEGACY GIFTS

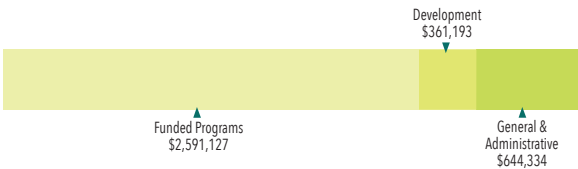
The Regional Parks Foundation provides a thoughtful estate planning program for those who want to leave a lasting legacy in support of the causes that matter to them. **We offer regular seminars and our Planned Giving Committee—an expert team in estate planning, tax strategies, and wealth management**—ensures donors have the guidance and resources they need to make informed decisions.

2024 FINANCIALS

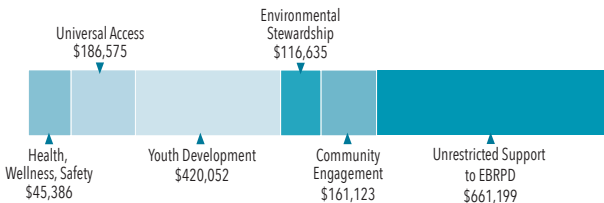
REVENUE



GRANTS & EXPENDITURES*



PROGRAM FUNDING



*The Regional Parks Foundation received \$1,452,325 in in-kind labor and facilities support from the East Bay Regional Park District



Sunol Regional
Wilderness



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