

DELAWARE CENTER for the INLAND BAYS

Annual Report 2022



To **PRESERVE, PROTECT,**
and **RESTORE** Delaware's Inland Bays
and their watershed

WELCOME



Anna Fagan



*The Center welcomes
Christophe Tulou as its new
Executive Director*

When I first sat down to write this letter, I didn't know where to begin. 2022 was a whirlwind year, not least because of the the tremendous growth and change the Center experienced.

As with any major transition, there were times of uncertainty and frustration. But when tasked with protecting and restoring resources as valuable and as vulnerable as the Inland Bays, there is too much at stake to be melancholy or discouraged. These feelings only serve to distract from our mission. Instead, we must focus on opportunity and what the future might hold if we keep our focus and wits about us.

None are a better example of putting this practice into action than the Center's truly exceptional staff. Amidst all the change and uncertainty, research and monitoring continued, community outreach and education continued, restoration projects were put in the ground, open space was protected—our team never skipped a beat. I encourage you to read on and learn more about these impressive accomplishments.

Of course, they wouldn't be possible without the steadfast support of our Board of Directors, volunteers, donors, and partners. The Center is fortunate to have such intelligent, dedicated people who use their time, resources, and talents to help us realize our vision for a healthy, and resilient watershed, where diverse wildlife and habitats thrive, and all who live, work, and visit contribute to its betterment as informed stewards.

It was an honor to serve as Acting Director for the Center and now, it is an honor to welcome our new Executive Director, Christophe Tulou. Christophe has dedicated his career to the environment and natural resources by bridging science and policy to address challenges like climate change resilience, coastal development, and watershed management. He will be a great asset to the Center and the entire Inland Bays watershed and I'm so excited to be working with him in my new role.

I hope that you all share in my excitement about what 2023 holds. With your continued support, it will be our best year yet.

Anna Fagan
Deputy Director



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OPEN SPACE SUCCESS STORY: BUCKS NECK FARM

As development across the Inland Bays watershed continues at a rapid rate, protecting open space is more critical than ever.

Over **150** acres protected in 2022—100 acres within the Inland Bay Watershed, 51 in the Broadkill Watershed

257 acres have been protected in the Inland Bays watershed since 2020

Benefits

of preserving open space

- Outdoor recreation
- Storage of carbon dioxide/ improved air quality
- Stormwater run-off reduction
- Wildlife habitat

In April 2022, the Center identified Bucks Neck Farm as an area with high ecological value—and available for purchase.

The 47-acre parcel, located in the headwaters (i.e., the source) of the Indian River in Millsboro, is adjacent to a property managed by the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control's (DNREC) Division of Fish and Wildlife. Headwaters are innately connected to the surrounding landscape and are considered the "lifeblood" of streams and rivers. From supplying key food and nutrients to influencing downstream conditions (e.g., delivering water and sediment) to supporting an array of plant and animal communities, they are essential to the health of the entire river. Unfortunately, these very features make headwaters vulnerable to land-use changes, including urban development, and is why preserving the land surrounding them is a critical component to clean water protection.

The Center quickly engaged members of the Sussex Conservation Partnership, including DNREC, The Nature Conservancy, Sussex County government, and Sussex County Land Trust, to further evaluate the property's value.

"The success of the Bucks Neck Farm acquisition truly shows the power of partnerships," said Michelle Schmidt, the Center's Director of Conservation and Watershed Planning. "Within days of identifying the



On May 11, 2022, members of the Delaware Land Protection Coalition met with members of the Delaware General Assembly to talk about the importance of open space protection and to request an increase of \$15 million for the Open Space Program in Fiscal Year 23.

property was for sale, the Center began working with Sussex County to visit the site and contact the realtor. We were able to pull this acquisition off quickly, which is important given the recent real estate market. Now we have a beautiful property adjacent to the Midlands Wildlife Management Area that will be protected in perpetuity—we couldn't have done that without partnerships."

In addition to the mature forests located on the property, the open fields offer the opportunity for future reforestation projects. This would further provide wooded habitat for wildlife while filtering harmful pollutants like excess nitrogen and phosphorus from stormwater before they reach local waterways.

SUCCESSES IN SCIENCE

RESEARCH AND RESTORE

100,000 data recordings



Reaching a Big Milestone for Water Quality Monitoring

In 2022, the Center celebrated 100,000 data recordings through its Continuous Water Quality Monitoring Program. This data helps us learn about the health of the Bays and measure the effectiveness of actions taken to reduce pollution. Sondes (sensors) placed at six sites across the Inland Bays run non-stop from April through October, recording salinity, dissolved oxygen, turbidity (clarity), chlorophyll levels, and pH every 30 minutes. The 100,000 recordings represent over 50,600 hours of sonde data since the program's inception in 2020.

26,300 trees planted



Reforestation for People and Wildlife

A total of 26,300 trees were planted in 2022, adding over 19 acres of interior forest to the Inland Bays watershed. These trees will provide valuable habitat, create critical buffers along waterways, and reduce nutrient pollution, leading to healthier waters for generations to come.

8th demonstration living shoreline project



Stabilizing a Community Shoreline

Construction on the Center's 8th living shoreline demonstration project, located in the Angola by the Bay community along Burton Prong, began in October 2022. Using an array of nature-based materials, the installation will promote erosion protection and shoreline resiliency, filter pollutants, and maintain a natural habitat for fish and wildlife.

1 of 4 Best Restored Shores Awards 2022



Best Restored Shore Award

The Center's living shoreline and wetland enhancement project at the Delaware Botanic Gardens at Pepper Creek was awarded one of four 2022 Best Restored Shores Awards by the American Shore and Beach Preservation Association. The project, completed in 2021, stabilized over 300 feet of eroding shoreline, restored 10,000 square feet of tidal wetlands, and removes nearly 20 pounds of nutrient pollution each year from Pepper Creek.

VALUABLE VOLUNTEERS: 2022 BY THE NUMBERS



“Volunteers at the Center are our “secret ingredient!” They enrich our mission and make our work a delightful experience.”

—Nivette Perez-Perez, Manager of Community Science

James Farm Ecological Preserve: Maintenance, Docents, & Demographic Surveys

30 volunteers
1,240 hours

Reforestation
100 hours



Horseshoe Crab Survey

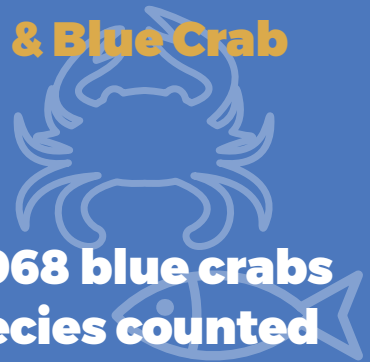
77 volunteers
363 hours



22,775 horseshoe crabs counted
6 sites

Shorezone Fish & Blue Crab Survey

65 volunteers
789 hours
31,500 fish & 3,968 blue crabs
45 different species counted



“Volunteering at the Center gives me a sense of purpose and giving back to the community. The work being done at the Center is a great legacy to the entire Inland Bays region!”

—John Hanson, volunteer

Diamondback Terrapin Survey

27 volunteers
64 hours

1,656 diamondback terrapins counted

128 surveys

Terrapin Garden Construction & Monitoring
46 hours



“I want to try to help restore the Bays to a more productive environment so future generations can have the enjoyment that I did growing up. I believe the work being done by the Center is starting to have a positive impact on this unique environment.”

—Gary Nennstiehl, volunteer

Don't Chuck Your Shucks & Oyster Gardening

63 hours

“Volunteering is a great way for me to contribute to the Center's important work. I get to enjoy the beautiful outdoors while learning from people who genuinely care about Delaware's Inland Bays.”

—Scott Allen, volunteer

Derelict Crab Pot Removal

20 volunteers
84 hours

EDUCATE

Watersheds are all about connections—between the land, water, and a variety of life. Interwoven within this dynamic system are people. Human health is directly linked to the health and function of watersheds, and at the core of the Center's efforts to ensure all those that live, work, and play within the Inland Bays watershed are engaged stewards is education. In 2022, the Center hosted and participated in over 80 education and outreach programs and community events.



**Total number of
people engaged in 2022:
1,607**

A YEAR OF FIRSTS

- In collaboration with the Delaware Department of Natural Resources & Environmental Control, the Center hosted the Water Family Fest & Native Plant Sale at the James Farm Ecological Preserve (Preserve). The family-friendly event featured environmental exhibitors, local nurseries, educational tours, and hands-on activities.
- The Center expanded the reach of its community education programs by hosting several beyond the grounds of the Preserve, including a series of specially-curated programs at the Inland Bays Garden Center.
- The Center launched its new Winter Lecture Series. The three-part series kicked off in November with a scientific presentation highlighting oyster aquaculture from Dr. Ed Hale of the University of Delaware Sea Grant College Program, followed by an oyster shucking demonstration and tasting led by Chef Asher Truitt.
- The Center continued its partnership with the Maryland Coastal Bays Program and held the third annual Journey Up the Coast youth program in July. Unlike previous years, learners had the opportunity to get their feet wet and explore not just the Inland Bays at the Preserve but also the Coastal Bays at Assateague State Park during this two-day "bay-hop" experience.



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The Center's development team spearheaded two successful fundraising events in 2022: the annual Decked Out and Dogfish Dash. **Combined, these events raised over \$86,000 for the continued preservation, protection, and restoration of Delaware's Inland Bays.** The impressive and ongoing support the Center receives from its enthusiastic "Friends of the Bays" facilitates all of the work featured in this report—and so much more.

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Statements of Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balances

September 30, 2022 and September 30, 2021

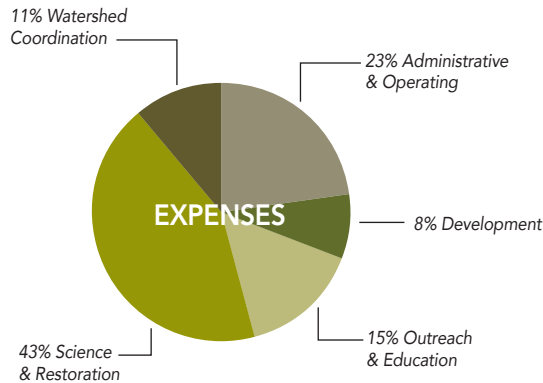
ASSETS

Current Assets	2022	2021
Cash	\$ 1,717,509	\$ 1,129,866
Grants Receivable	–	268,751
Prepaid Expenses	13,036	36,074
Accounts Receivable	159,515	48,986
Total Current Assets	1,890,060	1,483,677
Property, Plant and Equipment (at cost)		
Land	125,000	125,000
Building	907,257	907,257
Furniture and Equipment	372,586	345,603
	1,404,843	1,377,860
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(665,622)	(634,231)
Net Property, Plant and Equipment	739,221	743,629
Other Assets		
Endowment Fund	266,538	200,176
Total Assets	\$2,895,819	\$2,427,482

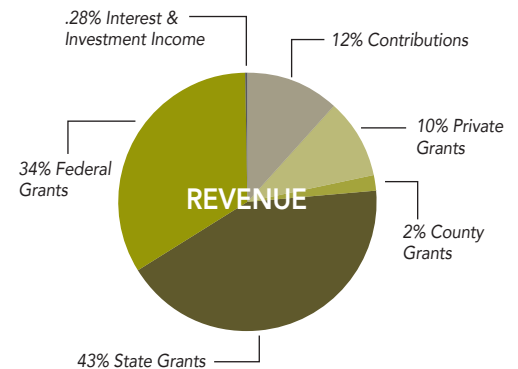
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	\$ 36,918	\$ 16,068
Accrued Salaries and Benefits	35,261	34,618
Accrued Payroll Taxes	–	994
PPP Loan	–	163,265
Total Current Liabilities (all current)	72,179	214,945
Net Assets		
Unrestricted		
Board Designated*	266,538	200,176
Invested in Property and Equipment	614,221	618,629
Undesignated	327,607	269,950
Total Unrestricted	1,208,366	1,088,755
Temporarily Restricted	1,615,274	1,123,782
Total Net Assets	2,823,640	2,212,537
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$2,895,819	\$ 2,427,482

* Endowment Fund



Total Expenses \$1,789,958



Total Revenue \$2,326,083



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GREEN SCREEN FILM FESTIVAL

Ocean View

May 6

WATER FAMILY FEST AND NATIVE PLANT SALE

Ocean View

May 10

CONSERVATION DAY

Dover

June 3

STAND UP FOR THE BAYS PADDLE RACE & FESTIVAL

Indian River Bay

September 21

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Dewey Beach