

Sandy Creek Nature Center, Inc.



2019-2020
Annual Report

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A Message from the President:

What can I say about 2020?

It is amazing to think that almost exactly a year ago everything shut down because of the pandemic. We had no idea how long it would last or how we would manage. But as the weeks crept on, we figured out ways to adapt. Meetings and classes went on-line, and people learned to wear masks and gather in small, socially distanced groups. Things are not back to normal, but we're adapting, bit by bit. I am happy to report that while some of our gift shop sales and membership numbers are down from last year, our membership and donation levels are up, thanks to our wonderful supporters. You stepped up when we needed you, and it really has helped. Thank you for sticking with us through the tough times.

In spite of everything, FY 2019-20 had many great successes for SCNC, Inc. We wrote a successful 2020 SPLOST proposal to update the Coastal and Wetlands Exhibit in the Education & Visitor Center. The proposal was funded and work will begin this year. We were also awarded a grant from The Riverview Foundation to renovate the exterior restroom adjacent to the outdoor Playscape. Work should begin on that project this spring. And construction began on the beautiful new Nature Playscape in June, and it should be completed in March 2021. We also have started preliminary work on a new project to educate the public about the historic Brick Factory on the Nature Center property. We'll keep you posted.

And although we had to cancel our in-person Annual Meeting/Pie Day last September, we found a way to bring it to you virtually this spring, on Pi Day (3.14)! And if everything goes well, we hope to be back on schedule for our Annual Meeting in September. Two Pie Day events in one year is not too bad! Looking forward to better times!

Take care, and be safe,

Katherine Edison, President
Sandy Creek Nature Center, Inc.

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THANK YOU!

2019-2020 FISCAL YEAR
CORPORATE PARTNERS FOR
SUPPORTING THE NATURE CENTER

Barnett Taekwondo Academy

Classic Race Services

Collins/Moody Group

Colonial Pipeline

First American Bank

Five Points Eye Care

Georgia Power

Grail Bra Shop

Hawthorne Animal Clinic

Hodge Design & Remodel

The Hub Bicycle Shop

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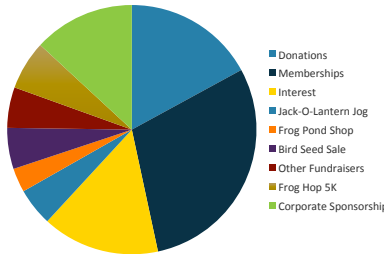
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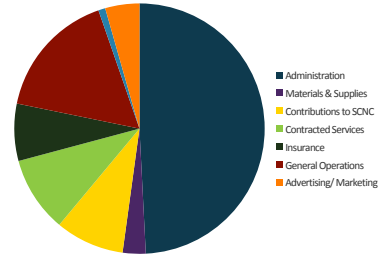
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Wild Birds Unlimited

Financial Data



Income = \$48,968.31



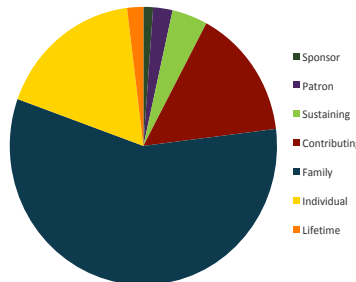
Expenses = \$32,822.83

The staff and operations of Sandy Creek Nature Center are funded by Athens-Clarke County Department of Leisure Services.

As the founding non-profit support organization, Sandy Creek Nature Center, Inc. raises funds to support, promote and protect the environmental education and preservation efforts of Sandy Creek Nature Center. The charts above show our income and expenses for the 2019-20 fiscal year.

The charts above show our income and expenses for the 2019-20 fiscal year. Despite challenges brought on by the Covid 19 pandemic, SCNC, Inc. reports a net income after expenses of \$16,145.48. This profit will be used to fund projects and programs during the 2020-21 fiscal year.

Your support makes it possible for the Board to continue to augment funding for the Nature Center and to provide Sandy Creek Nature Center with expertise and volunteer support that enhance its mission and ability to serve our community.



254 Members



Sandy Creek Nature Center is a facility of the Athens-Clarke County Leisure Services Department.