

# Friends of Madrona Marsh Nature Center and Preserve

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## 2022 Annual Report

During the year the Preserve offered a calm, beautiful place to walk and breathe for 19,502 visitors.



**During 2022 we slowly brought back our docent tours:** 88 children joined Tyke Hikes, 774 students and 131 adults took study tours with our docents. Docents hosted 355 visitors on Nature Walks, 222 children came to Story Time with their parents and Friday Fun continued with 1461 children and parents. Something new this year, 23 visitors joined Holiday Strolls.

The Preserve hosted an unusual visitor. Fresh water American white pelicans spent time in the Preserve and the sump where they enjoyed feasting on bullfrogs. The bullfrogs were eating our native tree frogs. Nature did a fine job solving this problem.



**MEMBERSHIP: the Friends are honored to have 560 members. The plants and animals of the Preserve thank you for supporting their home.**

The Board of Directors developed a Strategic Plan to strengthen assurances that the Madrona Marsh will remain a vibrant, healthy Preserve. Over the next ten years we will increase our community education programs and partnering with other local, nature organizations.

### WHAT TO WATCH FOR IN 2023



**Nature Festival**



**¿WILD?**



**Water Station**

This report describes the accomplishments achieved by the Friends of Madrona Marsh in partnership with The City of Torrance Nature Center staff. These accomplishments demonstrate the unique relationship that exists between the Friends and the City.

**Thank you to our Corporate Partners for their generous 2022 donations**

**SkyOne Credit Union** gives a donation to the Friends for every new member throughout the year. Friends of Madrona Marsh members are eligible to become Credit Union members.

**Torrance Refinery** is a long time supporter of educational programs at the Madrona Marsh including the Nature Festival planned for April 2023.



Creating study skins



Earth Day with Marriott volunteers



Docent tours

Bidding farewell to our Marsh Mailing and anticipating a new online, full color periodic news bulletin, *The Marsh Insider*, for our members in 2023.

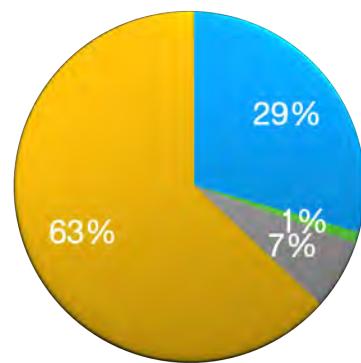
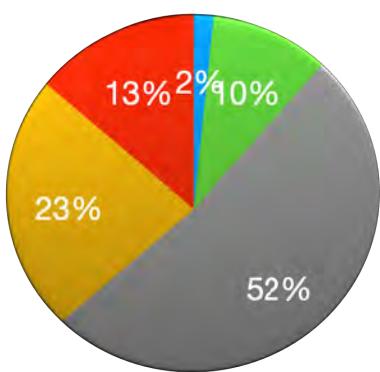
## THE NUMBERS : INCOME & EXPENSES

Events  
Individual Donations  
Corporate Donations

Gift Shop  
Membership

Admin  
Insurance

Education  
Restoration



### Friends of Madrona Marsh Board of Directors

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