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Annual Report 2022



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HUNTING HERITAGE

The overall goal of Hunting Heritage is educating Texans about wildlife and the role that hunting plays in conservation through wildlife and habitat management. TWA's Hunting Heritage reputation for excellence is built on three pillars: the Texas Big Game Awards (TBGA), Texas Youth Hunting Program (TYHP) and Adult Learn to Hunt Program.

TEXAS YOUTH HUNTING PROGRAM

Hunts	230
Youth	1,126
Total Participants	3,378
Landowners	203
Trained Huntmasters	436

ADULT LEARN TO HUNT PROGRAM

Hunts	18
Total Participants	93
Landowners	14

TEXAS BIG GAME AWARDS

Total Entries	678
Scored Entry	357
First Harvest	212
Youth Division	109



HUNTING HERITAGE PROGRAMS

TEXAS YOUTH HUNTING PROGRAM

TYHP is entering its 27th Season. Since 1997 we have taken almost 80,000 people on safe, educational hunting experiences. Hunter Education is a prerequisite and a TYHP hunt offers advanced Hunter Education activities. We have over 1,800 volunteer Huntmasters in 8 areas and over 200 Landowners statewide. Our partner, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, provides grant monies along with several wildlife conservation, and private philanthropic organizations that enable our volunteers and landowners to host more youth hunters than anyone in the nation.

TEXAS BIG GAME AWARDS

TBGA celebrates the relationship between voluntary land stewardship and healthy wildlife by recognizing hunters and landowners in a free, certificate based awards program. Celebrating its 31st season, the TBGA has acknowledged more than 38,000 hunters and landowners.

ADULT LEARN TO HUNT PROGRAM

With TYHP's history as a basis, we have expanded our programming to meet a vital need in our adult population as well. With our Adult Learn to Hunt Program, we focus our mission on adult novice hunters with an interest in forging a connection between conservation based hunting and sustainable eating. As land stewards, we know the many challenges of participating in traditional outdoor activities and aim to break down those barriers for our fellow Texans.





CONSERVATION LEGACY

Educating people of all ages about the importance of native Texas wildlife and private lands stewardship by incorporating wildlife information and natural resource management practices into classrooms and afield.

FORMAL EDUCATION

Discovery Trunks	110,400
Wildlife by Design	55,994
Critter Connections	146,746
Stewarding Texas - A Scientific Exploration	3,815
Distance Learning: On-demand Webinars	17,846
Distance Learning: Videoconferences	22,482
Student Land, Water & Wildlife Expeditions ('22-'23)	945
Partnered Curriculum Use	1,967
Workshops - Formal Education & Student Expedition	542
Custom Education Presentations	732

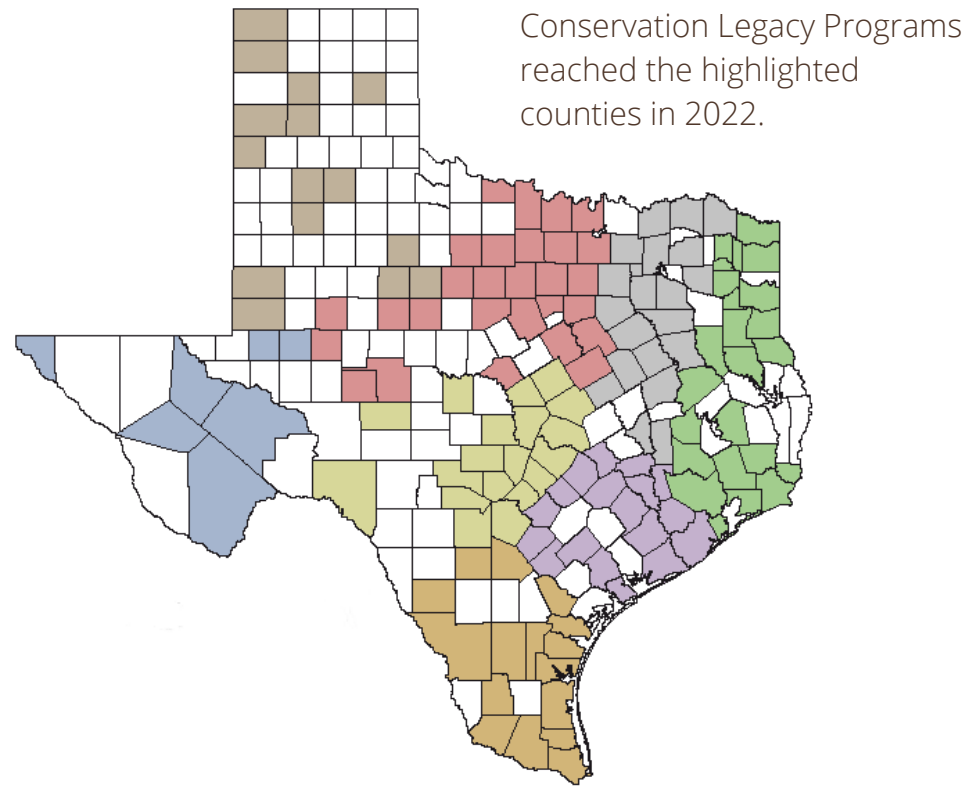
PUBLIC EDUCATION

Emerging Issues Education & Landowner Workshops	921
Wildlife and Land Stewardship Online Education	14,807
Family Land, Water & Wildlife Expeditions	23
Family Expedition Mentor Trainings	22
Public Programs & Events	6,811

CONSERVATION LEGACY TOTAL 384,053



CONSERVATION LEGACY PROGRAMS



PUBLIC EDUCATION

EMERGING ISSUES EDUCATION & LANDOWNER WORKSHOPS

Conferences, seminars, field workshops and progressive trainings that provide landowners, natural resource professionals and others with the knowledge and tools necessary to steward Texas wildlife, fostering an appreciation for natural processes and ecological interactions

WILDLIFE AND LAND STEWARDSHIP ONLINE EDUCATION

Online videos available on TWA's YouTube and Vimeo channels focus on wildlife and land management techniques, strategies, and other timely conservation related topics.

FAMILY LAND, WATER & WILDLIFE EXPEDITIONS

Educational, safe, and mentored outdoor experiences for youth ages 9-17 and their families on private land to witness the work of good land stewards across the state.



FORMAL EDUCATION

DISCOVERY TRUNKS

Wildlife and water themed trunks filled with biofacts, books, models, posters, tools and aligning lessons - shipped to schools for teachers and students to engage in science and natural resources.

WILDLIFE BY DESIGN CLASSROOM PRESENTATIONS

Conservation Educators use hands-on, inquiry-based presentations on wildlife, soil, and water to connect students to nearby natural resources and bring relevancy to stewardship at any age.

CRITTER CONNECTIONS

A subscription-based magazine where readers learn about native wildlife and natural resources in Texas. Each quarterly issue includes articles, activities, puzzles, and stewardship actions geared for youth.

STEWARDSHIP TEXAS - A SCIENTIFIC EXPLORATION

A compilation of lessons designed to connect youth with land stewardship; promote awareness, develop an understanding, and instill a stewardship ethic.

DISTANCE LEARNING: ON-DEMAND WEBINARS & VIDEOCONFERENCES

Online youth video lessons featuring Texas wildlife, water, and conservation.

STUDENT LAND, WATER & WILDLIFE EXPEDITIONS

Middle and high school natural resources curriculum culminating with a day of outdoor studies focused on land, water, and wildlife.

TEACHER WORKSHOPS

Immersive educator trainings, which demonstrate the importance of natural resources stewardship, align it with classroom science standards, and provide participants with the confidence and resources for implementation.

TEXAS WILDLIFE ASSOCIATION FOUNDATION



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Texas Wildlife Association Foundation, Inc. increases natural resource literacy by promoting conservation and educational programs that connect Texans to the land.

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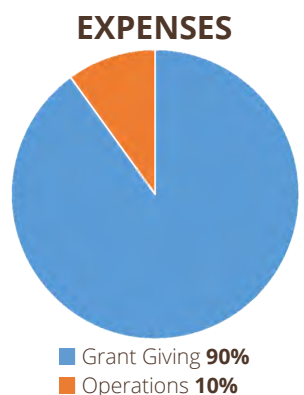
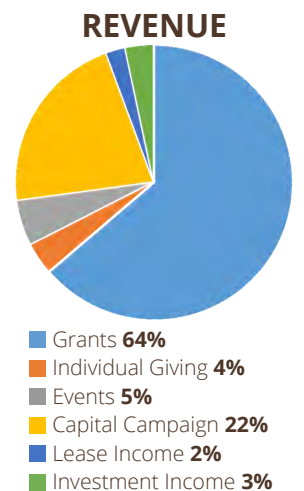
Cash and Investments	\$4,090,990
Receivables	\$1,241,684
Fixed Assets	\$4,257,490
Total Assets	\$9,590,164

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$1,058,856
Total Liabilities	\$1,058,856

NET ASSETS

Unrestricted	\$6,333,988
Restricted	\$2,197,320
Total Liabilities & Equity	\$9,590,164



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