



Annual Report

2021

A Letter From the Director

Though a large portion of my childhood was spent outdoors, I didn't grow up paddling, catching crayfish, or spending hot summer evenings wade fishing in our clean, clear Ozarks streams. In fact, my first float trip and opportunity to tangle with feisty smallmouth bass didn't come until I was midway through college, and ironically, in the middle of a terrible drought year. I had a desire to learn more about this beautiful landscape and the creatures that inhabit it. I read every magazine article and forum post I could find, hoping to glean any little nugget of information that would help me in my future pursuits. Lacking equipment and know-how, I sought out peers and mentors who could help me take the leap into the outdoor lifestyle that I yearned for. Years later, I'm still seeking more and more of these people and these experiences. As my sons get older, I'm feeling the excitement and pressure to provide similar developmental experiences for them. Time for the mentee to become the mentor.

Mentors come in all shapes and sizes. Some guide you through life experiences, others introduce you to a new hobby or help you build your career. The good ones can help you through many of these things. A positive role model with experience and know-how is a huge asset to any individual or organization, no matter their history or accomplishments. Here at JRBP, I've had the privilege to work alongside a number of people who have helped shape the course of our organization and helped me grow as an individual.

As 2021 came to a close, our staff bid farewell to one of these individuals as they paddled off into the sunset and floated back into retirement.

Tim Smith, commonly referred to as "Neptim" or "Tilm," joined our staff in October of 2018 under the title of "Strategic Advisor." Though the title often made his eyes roll, Tim embodied this role by dedicating countless hours to ensuring that our board, staff, and partners have the resources and connections needed to continue our mission into the future. Through his guidance, we were able to develop new partnerships with several communities and local businesses that have allowed us to bring our message and experience to new audiences. Tim also fostered a closer working relationship with local partners by hosting meetings, workshops, and field days that encouraged idea sharing, networking, and team building. Thanks to his efforts, our board and staff feel more efficient, energized, and equipped with the knowledge and resources to grow our organization and continue to improve and protect local water quality.



Though Tim's days in the office are behind him, he promises to stay involved with the organization. Going forward, you'll be more likely to see him at one of our events with a canoe paddle, trash bag, or kick net in hand. If you'd prefer to see him in his natural habitat, wander over to the patio tables outside of Café Cusco on a beautiful spring day, or pull up next to his canoe and inquire about his most recent donations of fishing tackle to the river. Just be sure to tell him Brent says, "hey!"

See you on the river!

Brent Stock
Executive Director

The James River Basin Partnership (JRBP) is a grassroots, not-for-profit, 501(c)(3) organization working to improve and protect the water quality of the springs, streams, rivers, and lakes in the James River watershed which consists of almost a million acres of land in portions of eight counties.

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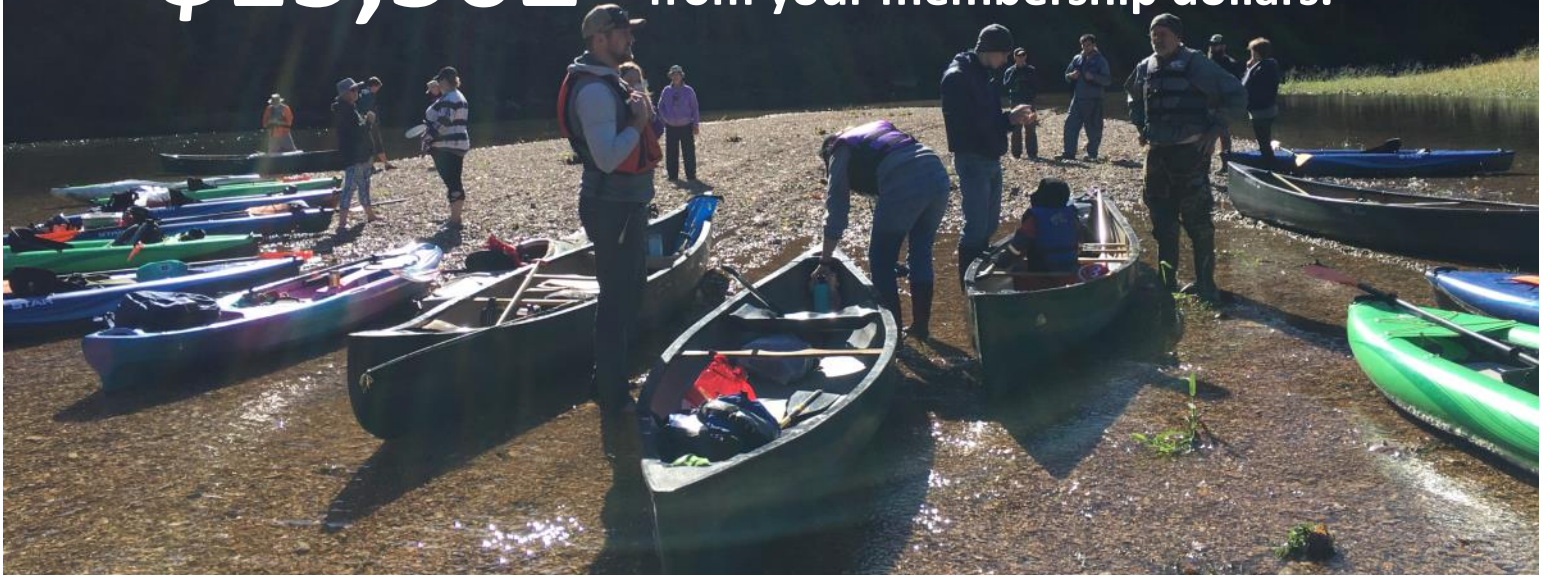
Tim Smith, *Strategic Advisor*
Hannah Robinson, *Intern*
Ashley Packwood, *AmeriCorps Member*

Individual Membership

128 Members

\$15,502

Unrestricted funds generated from your membership dollars.



Revenue from membership dues is a key component of our annual budget, helping us to provide the programs and projects to fulfil our mission. **Memberships not only raise funds, they also give us the opportunity to communicate with people like you who love our local waterways.**

Our memberships are much more than revenue:

- Our members contribute time and effort to our mission by assisting staff with activities and events. Many of our programs would not be possible without their support.
- Our members extend our influence throughout the community and help us speak with a more powerful voice as we advocate for clean water.

Our membership program received new emphasis in 2021. The Board of Directors established a goal to increase revenue from individual memberships by \$4,000, and thanks to YOU we met that challenge!

Visit www.JamesRiverBasin.com/membership and become a member today!

Annual and monthly memberships are available:

Level 1 - \$30 / year

Level 2 - \$60 / year

Level 3 - \$100 / year

Level 4 - \$180 / year

Level 5 - \$300 / year

Thank You to Our Members!

Level 5

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Michael Bridges
Larry O'Reilly
Arthur & Tracy Seay
Bob & Barbara Kipfer
Jane Earnhart
Charlie & Mary Beth O'Reilly
Gordon & Cynthia Day
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Larry Wantland
Jacob Berger
Josh Johnmeyer
Sharon Weidelman
Jim Lewis



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Tom Aley
Mark Millsap
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Bryan & Shauna Yates
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Dan & Margy Chiles
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Rita Williams
Brian Shipman
Owen & Kristin Crymes
Roy Holand
Steve Coller
Joe & Bev Pitts
Tammy Trantham
Bill Nesbitt
Brian & Denise Vaughan
Andrea Croley
Caleb Benefiel
Todd Parnell

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Teresa Lucero
Julie & Terrel Gallaway
Jerry & Hing Wah Hatch
Champ Herren
Dave Tobey
Sue Pyle
Mark & Marie Wood
Peter Harris

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Glenda McCreary
Charles Burwick
Joe Fry
John Mihalevich
Tony & Linda Shalloup
William Piston
Stephanie Hurt
Ronna Haxby & Ray Jones
Miles Sweeney
Saki Urushidani
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Matt Taylor
Laura McCaskill
Chad Hartman
Caleb Roth Sanders
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Annual Support and Business Membership



32 Business Members
\$25,568

8 Annual Supporters

Bass Pro Shops: \$14,000

Missouri State University: In-Kind

Public Entities: \$108,992

- Nixa
- Ozark
- Republic
- Springfield
- City Utilities
- Greene County

Our outstanding water resources make up the backbone of the economy in the James River Basin. Through their memberships, local businesses show their support for protecting our waterways and the economic vitality of the region.

Our Board of Directors established a priority to increase our business memberships in 2021. By the end of the year, JRBP had increased business member revenue to more than \$25,000.

We are greatly appreciative of the long-term support from Bass Pro Shops. From the beginning, Bass Pro has provided our organization with annual financial support and an abundance of in-kind support for events such as our Earth Day and River Rescue cleanups and our annual Sunset Soiree.

Missouri State University provides annual in-kind support by providing office space and IT services. Our affiliation with MSU grants us invaluable access to faculty and students that provides us with outreach opportunities and energetic volunteers.

We receive annual support from Greene County, City Utilities, and the cities of Nixa, Ozark, Republic, and Springfield. In exchange for this funding, JRBP hosts educational programs and activities that satisfy the requirements of their state and federally-mandated stormwater permits. These partnerships greatly expand the capacity of our education outreach, and we can't thank them enough for their support!



Our Annual Supporters



Thank You! For your monetary and in-kind support of our mission and for your dedication to our beloved waterways. **Become a business member today!** Annual and monthly memberships are available. Visit www.JamesRiverBasin.com/membership

Level 1 — \$350 / year	Level 3 — \$1,000 / year	Level 5 — \$5,000 / year
Level 2 — \$750 / year	Level 4 — \$3,000 / year	

Our Business Members

Level 5 **YOUNGBLOOD** **Level 4** **COCHRAN** **CHRISTIAN COUNTY**

Logos for Nissan, Kia, Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep, and Christian County Missouri.

Level 3 **S&C PACKAGING GROUP** **ISOAGE TECHNOLOGIES** **White River Valley Electric Cooperative** **Commercial Metals**

Logos for Ozark Missouri Board Company, Wild Horse, Nixa Utilities, Environmental Works, CFS Engineers, Morelock Builders & Associates, GRE Great River Engineering, Olsson, and Trailspring.

Level 2 Carson-Mitchell, Inc. PC Net Springfield Brewing Company

Level 1 Croley Insurance & Financial, Jack Henry & Associates, Hootentown Canoe Rental, Connell Insurance, Inc., Connolly Plumbing, Illumine Collect, 37 North Expeditions, Great Southern Bank, Reed's Plumbing, HVAC, & Excavating, Nixa Chamber of Commerce, Computer Recycling Center, Austin's Pumping Service

Sunset Soirée

September 18, 2021
6:30 PM – 9:00 PM

Exciting new venue!

The 5th annual Sunset Soiree was our most successful yet, raising \$45,235 to support our mission of improving and protecting our local waterways.

We were blessed with great company, outstanding views of the Finley, and an exciting new venue — thanks to our friends at Finley Farms. Our guests enjoyed live music from The Creek Rocks, local beer and wine, delicious food, and a well-stocked silent auction.

The JRBP board and staff would like to extend a huge “THANK YOU!” to all of our generous sponsors, VIP table purchasers, and guests. We look forward to this event every year and hope that you will join us on September 17, 2022 as we celebrate our local waterways!



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Litter Cleanups

After being cancelled in 2020 due to COVID-19, 2021 marked the return of our annual Earth Day Cleanup. Over 60 volunteers helped collect more than 100 bags of trash and 15 tires from the James River and Lake Springfield.

Two weather anomalies forced us to cancel our annual River Rescue cleanup. Because of this, there is more need than ever to clean up our local waterways. We hope that you will join us for our 2022 River Rescue Cleanup on June 25th as we float from Shelvin Rock Access to Hootentown Canoe Rental.

Sixteen volunteers assisted with our biannual spring and fall Adopt-A-Highway litter cleanups near the confluence of the James and Finley Rivers at Jamesville. Thanks to their efforts, 18 bags of trash were kept out of our beloved James River.

We continued our close partnership with the City of Springfield by collaborating on a number of litter cleanups in 2021. In April, JRBP staff assisted with the City's Clean Green SGF community cleanup events at West Meadows and the Wilson's Creek Greenway. In June, we partnered with staff from the Southwest Waste Water Treatment Plant to host our annual United Way Day of Caring Cleanup, where 30 volunteers from local businesses cleaned up a stretch of Jordan Creek.



**Over 3,000 pounds of trash
removed from our local waterways
by 160 volunteers!**

JRBP also supports the City of Springfield's Adopt-A-Stream program by providing logistical assistance to local teams, and is Team #1365 with Missouri Stream Teams.

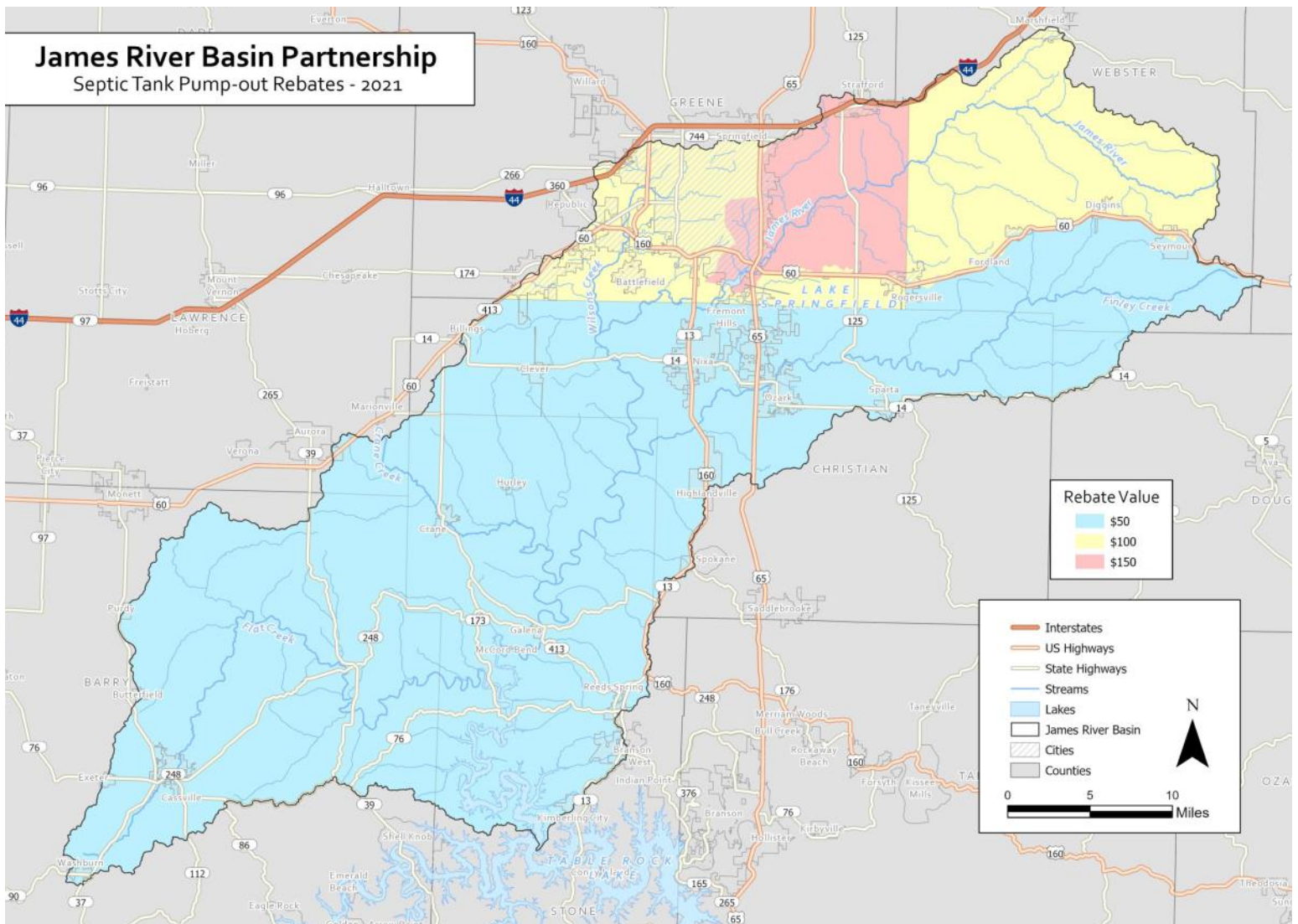
Visit www.mostreamteam.org or www.springfieldmo.gov/3511/Adopt-A-Stream to learn more about how you can help participate in on our local streams!

Rain Barrel Rebate Program



Rainwater harvesting is simple, fun, and helps connect people with our water resources. In 2021, twenty Christian County and Greene County homeowners were awarded \$1,177.50 in rebates, harvesting over 2,000 gallons of rainwater to be used on their lawns and gardens. For Springfield residents, a rainwater harvesting system is a popular component of the City's Yard Ethic program. Learn more about how you can start collecting rainwater at www.jamesriverbasin.com/Rain-Barrel.

Septic Pumpout Rebate Program



In 2021, Greene County and City Utilities partnered with JRBP to offer expanded septic pumpout rebates in portions of the Upper James River watershed. Residents within portions of Greene and Webster County are now eligible for \$100 and \$150 rebates. Residents of the James River watershed living outside of this focus area are still eligible for a \$50 rebate.

In total, 186 septic rebates were issued to watershed residents, totaling \$9,300.00. Thanks to Greene County, City Utilities and all the local service providers who share our commitment to protecting water quality and helping our neighbors save money through our rebate program. To apply, please visit www.jamesriverbasin.com/septic.

Sustainable Landscapes



We're proud to continue our partnership with the City of Springfield through the Yard Ethic certification program. Yard Ethic recognizes Springfield residents who make an effort to support a healthy community of people, plants, and wildlife through the adoption of best management practices. To learn more about the Yard Ethic program, please visit www.YardEthic.com.



Soil Testing Program: Residents of the City of Springfield as well as select portions of Greene County and the Wilson's Creek subwatershed are eligible for a free soil test and 3-year nutrient management plan for their lawn. The program aims to help homeowners understand the role that responsible lawn care practices play in protecting local water quality. By understanding their lawn's specific needs, residents can make informed decisions that will improve soil health and protect our lakes and streams from the harmful effects of nutrient runoff.

JRBP staff provided soil tests for 15 homeowners in 2021. Due to the growing demand, we are in the process of training additional staff to reach more households in 2022.

For more information on the Lawn Steward soil testing program, please visit www.JamesRiverBasin.com/lawn-steward.

Watershed Management Plan and 319 Grant Application

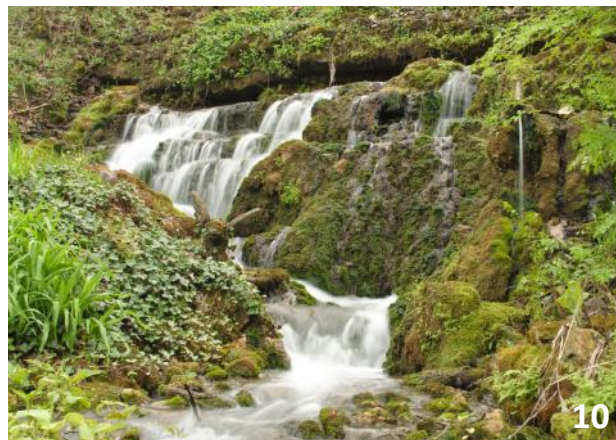
In April of 2021, the James River Basin Watershed Management Plan was accepted with comments by the Environmental Protection Agency. The plan is the result of many hours of hard work performed by Loring Bullard, Tim Smith, Ozarks Environmental and Water Resources Institute (OEWRI), and the staff at the Southwest Missouri Council of Governments (SMCOG). JRBP is now eligible to apply for 319 grant funding throughout the entire James River watershed. To view the plan, please visit JamesRiverBasin.com/reports-plans.

Following the acceptance of the watershed management plan, JRBP staff submitted a 319 grant application to the Missouri Department of Natural Resources titled the James River Source Water Protection Project. If approved, this grant would provide funding to address non-point source pollution in the Upper James River watershed, including Lake Springfield and the James River from its headwaters and all tributaries in between. This would allow us to address several waterbodies listed on Missouri's 303 (d) list of impaired waterways, including Pearson Creek, Lake Springfield, and the James River.

Garrison Spring Community Forest Stewardship Plan

JRBP had the opportunity to work with the City of Ozark and the Watershed Conservation Corps to develop a Community Forest Stewardship Plan for the City's new park at historic Garrison Spring. The purpose of this plan is to provide recommendations to help guide the sustainable development of the park and trail system while protecting the site's unique landscape and natural resources. Thanks to the hard work of our staff and partners, the plan was approved by the U.S. Forest Service.

For more information on the Community Forest at Garrison Springs, please visit www.ozarkmissouri.com/567/Community-Forest-at-Garrison-Springs.



Ecotourism, Education & Outreach

2021 saw us launch our new ecotourism program that included traditional municipal partners and for-profit businesses.

In June, we led two floats for City of Springfield employees. During these outings, we floated from Crighton Access to Lake Springfield, provided macroinvertebrate monitoring demonstrations, and hosted gravel bar discussions focused on the city's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit.

During the spring and summer months, we partnered with the Springfield-Greene County Park Board's Outdoor Initiatives program to provide water quality education during their Kayak Camp and tours of Sequiota Cave.



In November, Todd and Brent presented "Paddling with a Purpose: Ecotourism as Water Quality Outreach" to the Missouri Environmental Education Association's (MEEA) virtual conference. The program focused on how JRBP is using on-the-water education to reach local municipalities, organizations, businesses, and individual citizens.



Thanks to a wonderful partnership with Nixa's John Thomas School of Discovery, we were able to plan a series of classroom visits and a field day at Ozark Technical Community College's Richwood Valley Campus. We also worked with JTSD 5th graders to develop artwork and water quality messaging for the City of Nixa's newest street sweeper.



Throughout the year, we produced water-quality related articles for our *River Ramblings* blog, and for publication in the Conservation Federation of Missouri's magazine and the *River Hills Traveler*, a regional outdoor-themed publication.

We conducted several traditional outreach events, including presentations at:

- Missouri State University Non-Profit Expo
- Springfield Botanical Center's Native Plant Sale
- City of Ozark's Adopt-A-Class field day
- The Springfield Homeschool Fair at Close Memorial Park
- Springfield WOLF School presentations at Bull Mills and Shelvin Rock Access
- The Nixa Rotary Club's monthly gathering
- Ozark Chamber of Commerce



Wilson's Creek 319 Implementation Project

In 2021, we began the process of wrapping up our non-point source pollution grant in the Wilson's Creek subwatershed. Here are a few the highlights from a very busy year:



- In January, staff from the Watershed Conservation Corps targeted invasive bush honeysuckle and wintercreeper within portions of the Rutledge-Wilson Farm Conservation Easement.
- In March, we hosted a field day for 30 students from Springfield Public School's Academy of Exploration. Students planted trees within the Rutledge-Wilson Farm Conservation Easement, discussed the impact of invasive species with members of the Watershed Conservation Corps, and learned about macroinvertebrates and volunteer water quality monitoring opportunities.
- In March and October, 16 volunteers assisted JRBP staff with water quality monitoring throughout the South Creek Restoration Project. The final monitoring session will occur in March of 2022.
- 33 employees from Bass Pro Shops, Target, and the City of Springfield participated in a stream cleanup along Jordan Creek from Silver Springs to Smith Park during United Way's Day of Caring. Over 30 bags of trash, a shopping cart, and a waterlogged mattress were removed from the creek.
- Staff discussed urban stream restoration during a guided tour of the Jordan Creek Underground in September.
- Staff from the City of Springfield, City Utilities, Watershed Committee of the Ozarks, Ozark Greenways, and Greene County helped plant 40 trees and shrubs along Wilson's Creek during our Integrated Plan Field Day.
- 30 representatives from federal, state and local partners attended a Public Officials Field Day on October 5, 2021. Attendees visited past and current 319 grant projects, including the ongoing channel restoration and streambank stabilization projects on Fasnicht Creek, the parking lot improvements at the Springfield Art Museum, the Grant Avenue Corridor Project, and the Jordan Creek "daylighting" project in downtown Springfield.



For more information on this project, please visit www.jamesriverbasin.com/wilsons-creek-grant

The Environmental Protection Agency Region 7 through a Missouri Department of Natural Resources grant provided partial funding for this project under Section 319 of the Clean Water Act.

Fundraising

Blue Canoe

JRBP's partnership with Springfield Brewing Company continued with exuberance in 2021. We received a \$920 donation from the proceeds of Blue Canoe sold at SBC and local distributors. In addition, SBC sponsored the James River Float Series and Outdoor Education Series with 37 North Expeditions. We look forward to celebrating both JRBP and SBC's 25th anniversaries with a Blue Canoe in 2022!

For more information on these events, please visit

JamesRiverBasin.com/events
AND 37northexpeditions.com



Give Ozarks Day

JRBP raised \$2,007 during "Give Ozarks Day: Rally for Recovery" through our "Canoes for Clean Water" campaign. The region-wide day of giving, presented by the Community Foundation of the Ozarks and Bass Pro Shops, was held March 24, a year after the COVID-19 pandemic spread across the region. The campaign was organized by our AmeriCorps Member, Ashley Packwood.

These funds have been committed to helping us purchase our own fleet of canoes that can be used for cleanups and educational events.

Larry Martin Memorial Fund



In 2021, we were able to grow this fund by more than \$8,800 thanks to donations received through our annual Giving Tuesday online fundraiser, Give Ozarks Day, and a grant from the Conservation Foundation of Missouri Charitable Trust. The Larry Martin Memorial Fund allows us to cover expenses related to our cleanup events, such as shuttling and t-shirts, and will eventually help us purchase our own fleet of canoes.

For more information, please visit the Larry Martin Memorial page at

www.JamesRiverBasin.com/Larry-Martin.



ILLUMINE
COLLECT

In April and November, we partnered with local lifestyle apparel company Illumine Collect to offer limited-edition runs of stickers and apparel. A portion of the proceeds from each sale benefitted JRBP. Thanks to this partnership, we received over \$850 from the proceeds. Thank you to everyone who supported us!



ORW Boards



Our friends at ORW Boards generously

donated one of their Bigfoot board packages to help fundraise for JRBP. We raised over \$1,220 in raffle ticket sales, and hosted a special livestreamed drawing on the water next to the historic Ozark Mill on the Finley River.

13 Congratulations to Steve Drewry who was the lucky winner! Keep an eye out for another raffle in 2022.

Small Grants

Each year, JRBP applies for a number of grants to cover the costs of programs and materials not included within our larger grants and community contracts. Though some of these funds were awarded in 2020, they accrued into our 2021 fiscal year. See our “Financial Summary” on page 18 for more details.

CFM’s David Risberg Memorial Affiliate Grant (\$1,000)

JRBP received funding from the Conservation Federation of Missouri’s David Risberg Memorial Affiliate Grant program to assist the Missouri Department of Conservation with invasive species treatments at Wire Road Conservation Area. JRBP staff and volunteers coordinated with MDC to host workdays in April and November of 2021, targeting wintercreeper along Crane Creek.

CFO COVID-19 Response Grant (\$10,000)

Funding from the Community Foundation’s COVID-19 Response Grant helped JRBP make up for lost revenue brought on by the pandemic.

Greene County CARES Grant (\$10,000)

Funds received from the Greene County CARES grant allowed us to purchase much needed technology and supplies that gave our staff the ability to work remotely and improved the safety and effectiveness of our outreach programs.

Carl Morrow Grant (\$1,823)

JRBP received a grant from the Conservation Foundation of Missouri Charitable Trust to assist with the purchase of a small fleet of canoes and a truck. These funds will be combined with money from the Larry Martin Memorial Fund to purchase a fleet of canoes and a trailer in 2022.

Membership Events

In 2021, we added a handful of new membership events to the lineup with the creation of a “members only” virtual speaker series. These one hour Zoom presentations featured local experts covering topics ranging from the history of Ozarks float trips to the ecology of Missouri’s springs. You can catch up on our speaker series on the JRBP YouTube channel.



We also offered two in-person experiences for our members – a walking tour of the historic Jordan Creek underground in downtown Springfield and our annual Member Float from H.L. Kerr Access to the Ralph Cox Memorial Access next to the historic Y-Bridge in Galena.



We look forward to another exciting lineup of membership events in 2022!

Thank You for Your Assistance!

We’d like to thank several groups and individuals that assisted JRBP staff with our programming and events in 2021.

- AmeriCorps Member, Ashley Packwood
- Intern, Hannah Robinson
- Service Learning Student, Maddie Olbertz
- Michael Merrigan’s MGT 770 Class for their consultation services

Community Partnerships

An important aspect of our mission is creating and maintaining ties with the community. We do this by partnering with a number of civic and government organizations. During the past year we have been very successful in maintaining and expanding these valuable partnerships.

Integrated Plan Field Day:

Our 2021 Integrated Plan Field Day was held on Thursday, September 30. Sixty attendees from the City of Springfield, Greene County, City Utilities, Watershed Committee of the Ozarks, and Ozark Greenways joined JRBP staff for a morning of presentations followed by an afternoon of field activities.

Classroom sessions included a presentation on the history of water quality in Springfield and Greene County, an update on the Integrated Plan, and a panel discussion with representatives from Greene County, City Utilities, City of Springfield, and Missouri State University's Ozarks Environmental and Water Resources Institute.

After lunch, attendees headed to Rutledge-Wilson Farm Park to assist with water quality monitoring, tree planting, and a litter cleanup.



Memberships in Civic Organizations:

JRBP's membership with the Springfield, Nixa and Ozark chambers of commerce allows us to spread our water quality message throughout Southwest Missouri. By networking with local businesses and community leaders, JRBP continues to develop corporate partnerships that provide sustainable funding for our mission and an opportunity to bring our mission, programs, and events to new audiences.

Invasive Species Monitoring

JRBP is a member of the Missouri Department of Conservation's Southwest Missouri Hydrilla Working Group, which is made up of a collection of local organizations that assist with aquatic invasive species monitoring and eradication. In the spring of 2021, we joined our partners for an annual training event at Fellows Lake marina and assisted with hydrilla monitoring on McDaniel Lake in the fall.

Heading out for a day on the lake or river? Always remember to follow "Clean Drain Dry" principles and inspect your boat and gear for aquatic hitchhikers. Never dump live bait or aquariums into local waters. For more information on how you can help us fight hydrilla and other invasives, please visit www.mdc.mo.gov OR www.stopaquatic hitchhikers.org



Collaboration with 37 North Expeditions

The James River Float Series: Through this monthly event series, guests had the opportunity to float each section of the James River from Springfield to Galena. Each float focused on a different aspect of the natural and cultural history of the James River basin, from macroinvertebrates to the history of float trips on the James and White Rivers. One of the highlights of the series was an overnight float from Hooten Town to H.L. Kerr Access in September, which was a trip back in time to the days of the Owen Boat Line.



SBC Outdoor Education Series: JRBP, 37 North Expeditions, and Springfield Brewing Company hosted a monthly education series from March to December, with each session featuring presentations on topics related to conservation and outdoor recreation. Attendees learned about everything from topographic map reading to tools for modern birding, and enjoyed a tour of the Jordan Creek Underground and spooky Ozarks ghost stories.

Both series will return in 2022! To learn more and reserve your spot, please visit www.37northexpeditions.com.



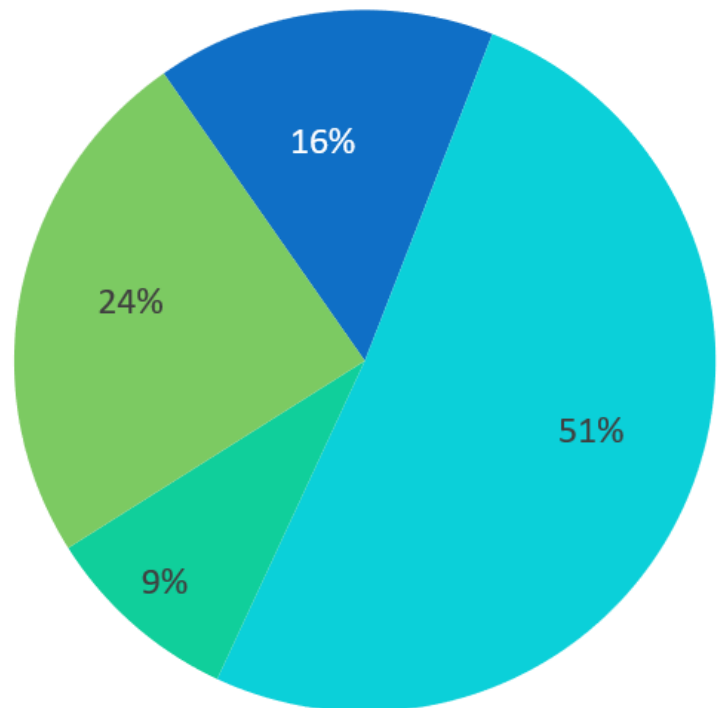
Financial Summary

Through increased emphasis on budgeting and monitoring of expenses, JRBP's financial position continued to improve during our 15-month fiscal year (2020-2021) as we transitioned from a federal fiscal year to a calendar fiscal year.

In addition to funds in banking accounts, JRBP has an endowment fund held by the Community Foundation of the Ozarks. In 2021, we received a \$500,000 endowment fund contribution from an anonymous donor which significantly increased our financial position. The value of this fund at the end of the fiscal year was \$676,243.20.

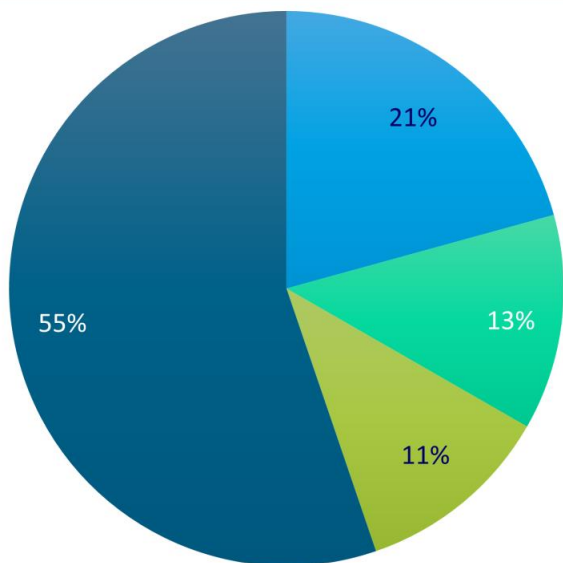
JRBP has historically depended on federal grant revenue for the majority of our funding. In order to maintain a more healthy and sustainable blend of revenue, a target has been established for the total revenue stream to be composed of 25% grant funding, 25% membership fees, 25% fundraising, and 25% contracts.

Income Summary	
Contributions & Fundraising	\$70,382
Grants	\$229,329
Memberships	\$41,070
Contract Revenue	\$108,992
Total	\$449,772



- Contributions & Fundraising
- Grants
- Memberships
- Contract Revenue

Expense Summary	
Contracts	\$86,597
Fundraising	\$52,481
Administrative & Management	\$47,961
Grants	\$230,758
Total	\$417,796



- Administrative & Management
- Grants
- Contracts
- Fundraising



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