



2020 ANNUAL REPORT

The Brandywine Red Clay Alliance promotes the restoration, conservation and enjoyment of the natural resources of the Brandywine and Red Clay Watersheds.



Despite marking our 75th Anniversary in 2020, Brandywine Red Clay Alliance (BRC) was certainly not immune to the extraordinary challenges we all faced in the past year.

Fortunately, most of our mission related activities were not significantly affected or were creatively adapted to continue, at least in a limited capacity, during an unprecedented year.

One thing that did not change was our commitment to the conservation and enjoyment of the natural resources of our watersheds, particularly at our Myrick Conservation Center. Throughout the pandemic, we chose to keep our Myrick Conservation Center property open to visitors. While the offices were closed and most employees were working from home, our nine miles of walking trails and 318-acres of open space, located midway between Kennett Square and West Chester, remained open to the public for all to enjoy. During that time, visitation to our Myrick Conservation Center increased nearly 15-fold, with visitors from all walks of life, attempting to find solace in the great outdoors.

While our mission and high-level goals never changed, we often found ourselves reinventing the wheel when it came to the methods of completing mission related activities or delivering our services to the public. Some projects and programs were delayed, others were limited, and some were modified to ensure the safety of all involved. But much like the streams we care for, and with the help of you, our members, donors and friends, we navigated the terrain ahead and kept moving forward. We adapted and we thrived!

Every day, BRC worked to provide the best in watershed conservation and environmental education while making every effort to keep our staff, volunteers, and visitors safe. We have continued work on stream restoration projects in the community, we hosted our annual Summer Camp programs with additional guidelines and safety protocols, we created virtual programming resources for teachers and students who were not able to organize school field trips to BRC and offered these virtual programs at no charge to schools in both Pennsylvania and Delaware, we took action to manage and slow the spread of the invasive Spotted Lanternfly on the Myrick Conservation Center property and throughout our region, and we continue to cultivate BRC's Victory Garden which is used to educate campers and students about where their food comes from while providing over 1,300 pounds of vegetables to the Chester County Food Bank and community food cupboards.

We have much to be proud of as we have accomplished an extraordinary amount in the 75 years since the founding of BRC. Even more importantly, we have unequivocally demonstrated the need for conservation and environmental education, while developing the science and technology to lead today's conservationists.

It is humbling to look back and congratulate ourselves, but more importantly we want to congratulate you - our members and donors that make BRC's initiatives a reality. In addition, we want to thank our many conservation and education partners with whom we work so closely each year.

Thanks for believing in BRC.


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Environmental education is a critical part of our mission, to educate today's youth about the natural resources in their region and how to protect them for generations to come.

Unfortunately, we were unable to host school programs here at BRC's Myrick Conservation Center in 2020, but that didn't stop us from fulfilling our mission of education. We adapted and focused our efforts in new areas and expanded others.

To fulfill our mission of providing environmental education and to remain a valuable resource to teachers and students in the Brandywine and Red Clay Watersheds, we set out to create and offer high quality, live, and interactive environmental education programs conducted via Zoom for students during the pandemic. Thanks, in part, to a grant received from the Chester County Community Foundation, we were able to accomplish our goals. The grant allowed us to purchase the technology needed to create and present virtual programs to returning and new schools. By the end of 2020, we ran our first virtual program, "All About Owls," for a school we had not seen in previous years.



Environmental Instructor, Kathy Yacucci, presenting a virtual program from BRC's Browning Barn



Students in a classroom attend a virtual program presented by BRC's Education Coordinator, Alexa Hart

In addition, we offered adapted programs to smaller groups of students and homeschool groups, which we have previously not seen at the Myrick Center. We expanded our outdoor Books & Boots offerings for preschool age children. We also conducted more scout

programs than in previous years, reaching 103 Girl Scouts in 2020, and expanded our badge offerings with 15 new badges! We now offer 25 Girl Scout badge opportunities.



Preschool students enjoy reading, crafting, and exploring nature during BRC's Books & Boots programs

Despite the challenges presented by COVID-19, we also made the decision to operate our annual Summer Camp program in 2020 with significant modifications to minimize exposure and lower the risk of our campers contracting and spreading the coronavirus. We developed a health and safety plan in accordance with the requirements set forth by Pennsylvania's Governor, CDC guidelines, and the best scientific information available. Though we understand that lower risk does not mean no risk, we felt that we could conduct summer camp in a safe and fun manner this year. We intentionally decreased the size of each camp by about 20% but were still able to serve 434 campers. We also offered 39 scholarships to community families in need.



BRC campers practicing their slingshot skills

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\$100

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a four-state initiative
to improve water
quality in the Delaware
River Watershed in
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Pennsylvania, and
Delaware which is
funded by the William
Penn Foundation.



Since 2014, we've worked in the Brandywine-Christina watershed with five other local conservation partners: Brandywine Conservancy, Natural Lands, Stroud Water Research Center, The Nature Conservancy of Delaware, and the University of Delaware Water Resources Center. In 2020, we focused on implementing stream restoration and riparian buffer projects on Plum Run and the East Branch of the Red Clay Creek. We also improved our municipal outreach to help address stormwater run-off with a rain garden workshop and new website, www.cwmp.org, to provide up to date resources and calendar of events to residents and municipal staff.

CHRISTINA WATERSHEDS MUNICIPAL PARTNERSHIP

BRC continues to lead the Christina Watersheds Municipal Partnership (CWMP) with eight conservation partners to help 38 municipalities meet their MS4 stormwater requirements to improve water quality on impaired streams. Services to CWMP municipalities were enhanced with the new www.cwmp.org website for residents, developers, farmers, and municipal staff and elected officials to learn more about ways to improve stormwater run-off. The website includes resources on how residents can help, a calendar of current workshops and events, videos of past meetings, and detailed information about Pennsylvania's MS4 program. As part of the new offerings, CWMP offered a hybrid workshop, both on-line and in-person on how to install and maintain a rain garden with municipal support.

Over 50 people attended the training.



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Thanks to the BRC community of supporters and our generous challenge donors, we ended 2020 with an incredible Annual Campaign total, far exceeding our goal of \$125,000.

We are so impressed with the outpouring of support for our mission. Every donation contributes to vital environmental education programs reaching thousands of school students each year, helps to support watershed restoration projects which improve water quality in our region, and covers crucial general operating expenses to maintain our Myrick and Saalbach properties while keeping the organization running smoothly.

Challenge donations often inspire supporters to give or give more because they know their donation will make an even bigger impact when matched by another donor. If you are interested in motivating others to give with a challenge donation of any size, please contact Jim Jordan at jjordan@brandywineredclay.org or 610-793-1090.

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SPOTTED LANTERNFLY

In 2020, BRC began a project to manage and reduce the population of the Spotted Lanternfly (SLF), an invasive insect in this region including the Myrick Conservation Center.

We experimented with different management techniques including killing the invasive *Ailanthus* tree which is the insect's favorite host, baiting trees with insecticide, and utilizing sticky bands to trap the Spotted Lanternfly as it travels up and down other trees. Our method of reducing the number of host trees while also leaving bait trees was very effective as a large number of adult Spotted Lanternflies were attracted to the bait trees and died as a result of the treatment on those trees. A virtual workshop was developed to be presented in 2021.

We have noticed a significant decrease in the number of Spotted Lanternflies on the Myrick Conservation Center property. However, we do plan to continue

monitoring the population of this invasive species and conduct further treatments should the numbers increase in the coming months and years. One growing season is too short to determine the impact on a pervasive insect such as SLF, however we were able to eliminate nearly all *Ailanthus* trees on our property. We suspect that many people don't realize how many *Ailanthus* trees are on their property. We also killed many SLF nymphs with band traps and adults with bait trees. Many organizations in our community are also working on this problem and it will require a collective effort to truly reduce the impact of SLF on our environment and local agriculture.



Setting band traps on Myrick Conservation Center trees

Adult SLF feeding on sap of *Ailanthus* tree

STATS FOR 2020

1,338

native plant and
tree plantings

31

miles of roads
and streams
cleaned

1,300

pounds of produce
donated from
Victory Garden

327

Attendees for 11
watershed outreach
programs

4,187

feet of
streams restored

WATERSHED CONSERVATION

Despite the beginning of shutdowns due to the Covid-19 pandemic, our Red Streams Blue Initiative was able to continue implementation of stream restorations on Plum Run and Red Clay Watersheds thanks to the completion of the design phases for these projects in 2019 and the awarding of grant funding. After a brief shutdown and learning curve to adapt to virtual meetings and working collaboratively online, we were able to continue working with landowners, municipalities, government agencies, and our conservation partners to continue work on broad watershed education, outreach, and project implementation.

- The restoration of 1,687 feet of Plum Run in the Brandywine Creek Watershed, (Phase 2) concluded in winter 2020 with significant grants from PA DCED Watershed Restoration Program and the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation. The project removed over eight feet of legacy sediments that were deposited behind the former Strode's Mill Dam. Built in the early 1800s, the dam trapped sediments coming from the deforested hillsides of West Chester and buried the stream valley and flood plain and continued to erode sediment into the stream once the dam fell into disrepair. The restoration pulled back the steeply eroded banks, opening the narrow stream channel and improving aquatic habitats. Over 1,000 live stake shrubs were planted to improve the new riparian buffer habitats.



Section of Plum Run after buffer clearing

- Stream restoration on the East Branch of the Red Clay Creek at Anson B. Nixon Park in Kennett Township and Borough began with Phase 1 implementation funded by a grant from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation and William Penn Foundation. The project addresses

stream bank erosion on 2,500 feet of stream and involved grading eroding stream banks, habitat improvement, and in-stream structures that reduce future erosion. The disturbed banks were planted with native grass and wildflowers and trees and shrubs will be planted in spring of 2021 to improve the riparian habitat.



Excavation and pumping at Nixon Park



Restored section of stream at Nixon Park

- Outreach on watershed education and protection included 11 events reaching 327 people. We adapted our Christina Basin Task Force Bus Tour to a virtual tour allowing us to visit six diverse sites that we normally would not have time to visit in person. Not all activities were virtual as we were able to host the City of Wilmington Green Jobs student interns again in 2020 with a canoe trip on the Brandywine Creek.



City of Wilmington Green Jobs student interns canoeing and getting a lesson in water sampling

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ANNUAL DINNER & SILENT AUCTION

Traditionally, BRC's Annual Meeting is a ticketed event held in conjunction with a sumptuous dinner and silent auction that gives our members an opportunity to network, share a meal, and celebrate our shared values, while serving as a fundraiser for BRC. Unfortunately, we were not able to safely provide the networking, silent auction, or dinner this year, but we did provide an opportunity for our members to help us end the year on a positive note and to drive our success in 2021.

More than 50 members joined BRC staff for a virtual meeting via Zoom to look back at our 2020 successes and how we met and overcame the year's challenges. We also shared a video highlighting some of our projects and successes from the year. You can view this video by visiting our website at brandywineredclay.org.

Thank you to those who attended or donated in response to our Annual Meeting to support our shared mission and values in 2020.

In honor of:**Amelia Boscana**

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Ms. Florence Douglass

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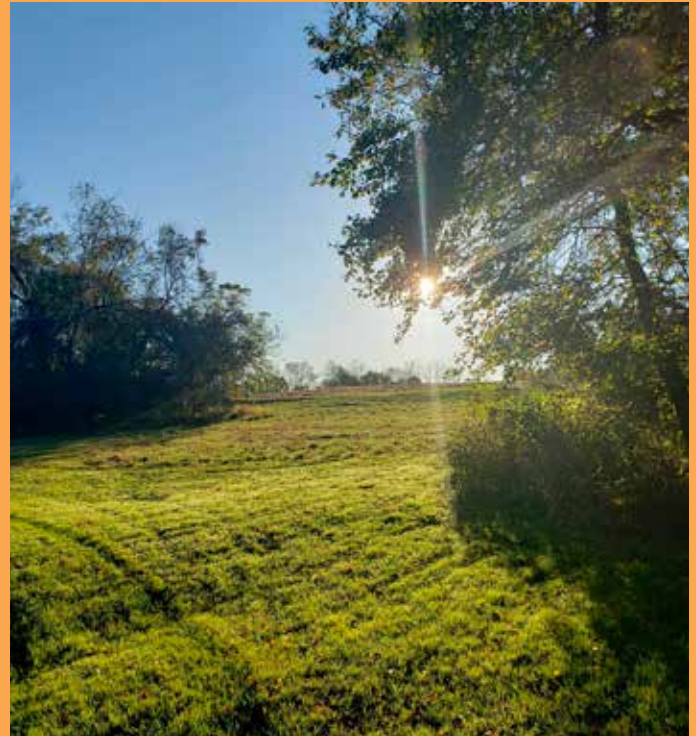
Every effort was made to ensure the accuracy of our donor list. We regret any errors or omissions & we request you contact our development office at 610-793-1090. *Thank you.*



BRC volunteers cleaned up 12 miles of roadways during the Brandywine Valley Clean Up event in October

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Though we were forced to cancel several of BRC's fundraising and mission-related events and programs in 2020, we chose to keep our 318-acre Myrick Conservation Center property, including nine miles of trails, open to visitors throughout the pandemic as a place for individuals and families to take advantage of the calming power of nature in this time of crisis. We also opened an auxiliary parking area to allow for better social distancing. We experienced a significant increase in visitation throughout the pandemic and we would like to thank our new and loyal visitors for their interest, respect, and outreach regarding BRC's most treasured asset, the natural resources at our Myrick Conservation Center.

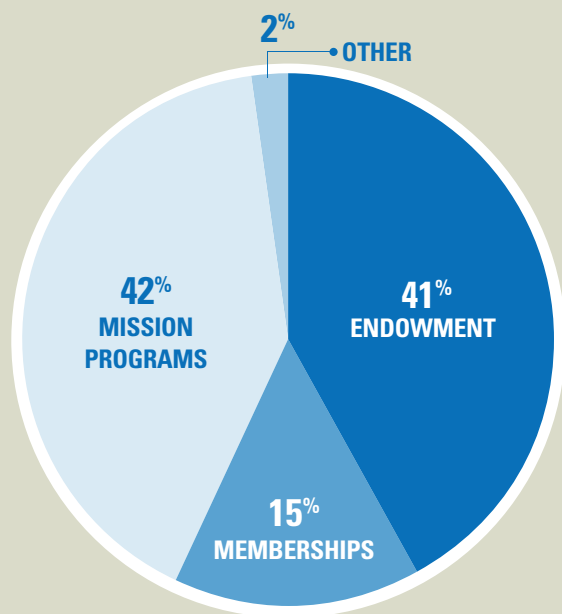


The Myrick Conservation Center remained open to the public throughout the pandemic

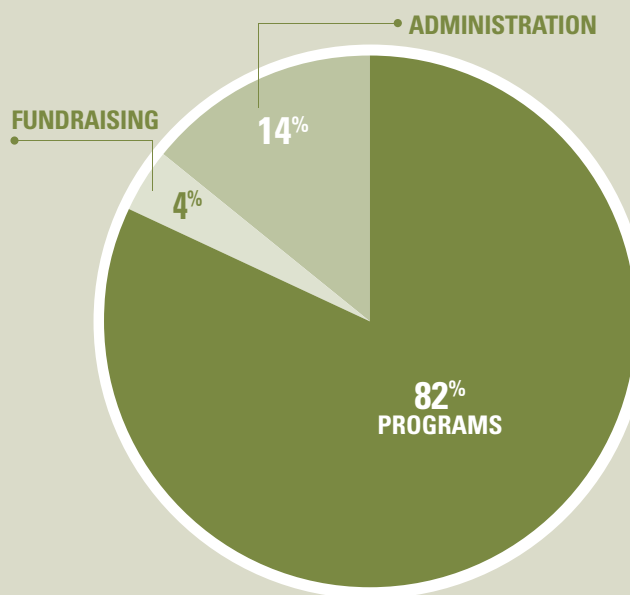


2020 BRC FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

Operating Revenue



Operating Expenses



STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION • DECEMBER 31, 2020

ASSETS	2020
CURRENT ASSETS	\$ 1,136,692
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT	1,672,978
OTHER ASSETS	
Investments	7,093,248
Property on operating lease and held for resale	1,186,206
Total other assets	8,279,454
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 11,089,124

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	2020
CURRENT LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable	\$ 4,584
Accrued payroll	5,955
Security deposit	650
TOTAL LIABILITIES	11,189
NET ASSETS	
Without donor restriction	7,989,249
With donor restriction	3,088,686
Total net assets	11,077,935
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 11,089,124

BRC's Endowment Investment Strategy, to the extent feasible, emphasizes sustainability and focuses on environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors, with environmental being the primary consideration.

2020 ANNUAL REPORT



SUMMER CAMPS

BRC promises that every camper will get wet and muddy as they experience the wonders of nature and learn to appreciate all that the outdoors has to offer.

Campers were sure to get **"wet and muddy"** in 2020! Through 7 weeks of camp, campers participated in programs and activities related to weekly themes such as animals, "creepy crawlies", adventure, survival and water. They also made several trips to the Brandywine Creek for canoeing and tubing adventures.



Visit brandywineredclay.org for more information about annual Summer Camp offerings for children age 4-15 as well as dates for next year's registration.