

2012 ANNUAL REPORT



Letter from the Executive Director and CEO



As we approach the 50th Anniversary of the Wilderness Act, I grow more grateful and humbled at your passion and dedication to the Pacific Crest Trail. Your support was crucial in making 2012 a year in which we could make progress in our cause to connect the trail to all.

With a trail that winds from Mexico to Canada, there are always emerging issues. From timber harvesting and thinning, trespass by mountain bikes, snow machines, and other mechanized vehicles, special events, private land development, lack of protective easements, climate and environmental change, to noise and light pollution, the list can seem endless.

Nevertheless, I am so thankful for our volunteers, partners, and donors. With your philanthropy and stewardship, we are able to properly advocate for this national treasure. With your help, we are able to safeguard the trail and connect it with a younger and more diverse generation. Nearly a quarter of trail maintenance volunteer hours were accomplished through youth corps and other youth programs.

Additionally, with members in all 50 states, Washington D.C, Guam, and 21 countries, we are working to keep our national treasure one of international significance. We are continually developing new outreach programs, such as our Outdoor Industry Action Committee, to help achieve these ends.

We will continue protecting the trail experience and inspiring all who can benefit from the PCT's unique "trail magic." Thank you for helping us protect, preserve, and promote the Pacific Crest Trail.

Gratefully yours,

Liz Bergeron
Executive Director and CEO



Celebrating the past year... and you!

This was another great year of accomplishments for the Pacific Crest Trail Association. With your support, we were able to...

- 1) Connect Americans to the great outdoors and promote volunteerism on public lands.
- 2) Engage youth in conservation and the great outdoors.
- 3) Leverage strategic partnerships as the cornerstone for sustainable recreation.
- 4) Expand access to the great outdoors.
- 5) Restore and conserve large landscapes.

The mission of the Pacific Crest Trail Association is to protect, preserve and promote the Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail as a world-class experience for hikers and equestrians, and for all the values provided by wild and scenic lands.

How you helped us protect:

Our network of supporters is diverse and strong. They include conservation and volunteer-minded non profits, businesses and retailers, and agencies at all levels of government. They, with the support of our private donors, help the PCTA allocate funds, and to ensure protection for the PCT.

How you helped us preserve:

Each year the PCT is subject to heavy use, floods, fires, and overgrown vegetation that cause erosion, trail blockage, and, in some cases, permanent ecological damage. The annual maintenance and restoration of the PCT to meet national quality standards is a major undertaking of the PCTA. As a result of PCTA and its crucial partners and volunteers, hikers and equestrians alike will tell you, the PCT is one of the finest wilderness trails in existence.

Taking care of a 2,650 mile trail requires an engaged network of volunteers and partners. This past year, people of all ages and walks of life volunteered for the PCT, from youth corps to retirees. 1,637 volunteers collectively dedicated 92,418 hours. That's the full-time equivalent to hiring 43 employees!

How you helped us promote:

Meandering from Mexico to Canada across three states, the PCT offers access to the great outdoors as it connects diverse landscapes, offering a gateway to recreational adventure and a connection with nature. The trail traverses 48 congressionally designated wilderness areas, 25 national forests, 6 national parks, and much more. As such, the PCTA serves as the primary clearing house for all related information, connecting the national and international community with the quality wilderness recreation experiences. With a full-time Trail Information Specialist, a toll-free line, permit issuances, a newly designed website, electronic newsletters, quarterly PCTA magazines, and social media like Facebook and Twitter, PCTA strives to make the trail better known. Without volunteering and financial support, our services would go unmanned and unfunded.



Trail Highlights

In 2012, over **7,700 acres of land were acquired in Washington, Oregon and California to protect the trail experience.** It would not have been possible without the partnerships with the USFS, BLM, the Trust for Public Lands, the Anza Borrego Foundation, and the commitment of many individuals to accomplish such a robust program.



On the Inyo and Sierra National Forests, restoration was much needed after a **catastrophic 180-mile-per-hour wind event toppled more than 400,000 trees.** A team of more than 175 personnel, including both USFS employees and countless volunteers, cleared 290 trail miles of 4,700 down trees. This monumental effort included both chainsaw and crosscut saw work. Crew labor amounted to more than 29,600 person hours at a value of \$617,160. Sixty percent of this work was accomplished through generous contributions from partner organizations and volunteers.

Each year PCTA works hard to provide meaningful and rewarding work for our dedicated volunteers. By training volunteers with the valuable skills needed to help protect and maintain recreation trails, they become the stewards and leaders giving countless volunteer hours to maintain not only the PCT but also trails across America's public lands.

Volunteer Hours and Accomplishments

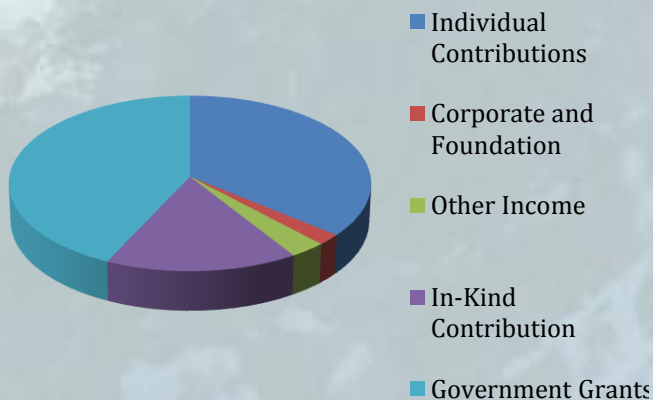
	Total
Number of volunteer hours for trail maintenance activities	88,116
Number of volunteer hours for trail protection activities	48
Number of volunteer hours for administrative activities	1,183
Number of volunteer hours for governance and committee activities	1,332
Number of volunteer hours for communications and publications	166
Number of PCTA-affiliated youth corps volunteer hours	10,470
Number of PCTA-affiliated youth volunteer hours	20,512
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Number of miles of trail maintained	1,172
Number of miles reconstructed/constructed	54
Number of trailhead kiosks constructed	1
Number of square feet of log cribbing constructed	1,595
Number of bridges constructed (greater than 20' long, 5' off the deck)	1
Number of feet of turnpike/puncheon constructed	742
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Number of chain and crosscut saw training events hosted	11
Number of volunteers attending chain or crosscut saw training	106
Number of volunteers attending non-saw trail skills training	511

Financial Highlights

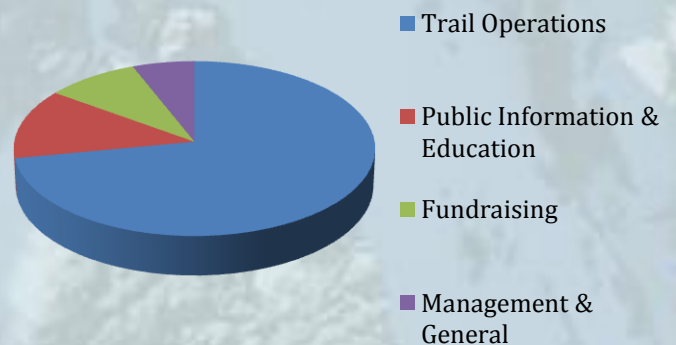
	Actual	Actual (with value of volunteer hours)
Revenue and Support		
Private Sources	\$1,274,752	\$2,913,404
Government Grants	\$953,788	\$953,788
Total Revenue and Support	\$2,228,540	\$3,867,192
Expense		
Trail Maintenance and Operations	\$1,206,132	\$2,844,784
Public Information and Education	\$494,741	\$494,741
Fundraising	\$370,311	\$370,311
General and Administrative	\$222,399	\$222,399
Total Expenses	\$2,293,583	\$3,932,235
Decrease in Net Assets	\$(65,043)	\$(65,043)

PCTA goes through a financial audit every year. We are subject to a more in-depth audit because of the level of federal funding we receive. As part of the audit process, auditors test to make sure we comply with government standards. We are happy to report there were no audit finds or questioned costs with respect to our management of federal funds.

Revenue Sources



Expenses (w/Volunteer Hours)



Thank You!

Trail Blazers - \$10,000+

Anonymous
Scott Jacobsmeyer and Tiina
Hameenanttila
Paul and Antje Newhagen
Donald A. Oltmans

Trail Champions - \$5,000-\$9,999

Anonymous
David Brunjes and Mary Wholey
John and Julie Crawford
Pete and Joyce Fish
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Mom's Pie House
Namaste Foundation
Thomas L. Reveley
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Trail Defenders - \$2,650 - \$4,999

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Denise Gilbert
Kevin Haggard
Jim and Jan Hawkins
Michael and Nancy Honkomp
David Hough
Bill Jensen (PCT Class of 1977)
Allen Minton
Henry Shires and Cynthia Gilbert
Porter and Gail Storey
Sandals and Sheepdog

Trail Guardians - \$1,000 - \$2,649

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Ralph and Susan Alcorn
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Jim Backhus
Kevin M. Bacon
Thomas A. Banks
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Sym "Symbiosis" Blanchard, PCT
(2007-2012)
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Corporate Partners

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The Muir Project
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Thank you to all of our partners, volunteers, and donors who make our work possible. We are truly grateful for your support.

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