



# ***IMPACT REPORT***



**The Friends of Fish Creek Provincial Park Society Annual Report**

November 2018 - December 2019

*Measuring the Real Impact of Our Volunteer Programs*



**THANK YOU 2019 VOLUNTEERS** - **Volunteers in bold received special recognition at our Volunteer Appreciation Dinner** - Victoria Agar, Ayman Al Jbawi, Lorrie & John Anderson, Jim & Lee Anderson, Daniel Arndt, Mackenzie Arndt, Christina Arnold, David Arnott, Jenny Atamanik, Anna Aubrecht, Alena Baeuchle, Robert & Marie Bakker, Benjamin Baragar, Don Barrington, Jo-Anne Bechtel, Robert Bell, Valerie & Jason Bell, Tobin Benedict, Angela Bentley, Monique Bhullar, Gabor Biro & Annette Ng, Deborah Bouchard, Fred Bowen, **Bob Bowman - Community Action Team Friendmaking and Fundraising**, John Bradley, Phil Brayton, Lina Brooks, Robert & Teresa Brown, Ron Burr, Joe & Toni Cavar, Agnes Chrzanowska & Anna Kucharski, Trevor Churchill, Mary Cook, Kathy Cottrell, Kathy Cox, Sandy Davis, Sergio De Paoli, Alex Deaconu, Andrea Dechene, Rob Dempsey, **Ron Deshayes - Community Action Team Friendmaking and Fundraising**, Jesse Dias, Bernie Diebolt, Marie Donohue, Wendy Duha, Josh Evans, Brian & Sheryl Farewell, Jackie Figiel, Wlad Franco-Valias, Donna Franke, Doreen Fulton, Joe Gerritsen, Josh Gibbs, Janet Gill, Margo Glover, Gail Goldsmith, Stephen Grannary, Phil Greer, Kassie Harder, Joanne Hatch, Dick Heenan, Leonor Henriquez Leon, Denise Hiebert, Trish Hiley, Don & Marianne Hladiuk, Chantae Ho, Kari Horn, Peter Hoyer, Kathryn Hull, Lynne Hulse, Mike, Christine & Stanley Ingham, Mariya Ivanova, Teresa Jacome Mora, Sonya Jakubec, Kumiko, Tomofumi & Yuzuki Kamiike, Jason Kang,

2018 - 2019 IMPACT REPORT

As a non-profit organization, the Friends of Fish Creek are often asked to explain the impact of our work. In 2019, the Friends took part in Project Impact, a regional study to learn a different and more meaningful approach to evaluation than simply measuring numerical data. We chose to dive into an aspect of our programming that is integral to our work – our volunteers – to learn more about how they are personally impacted by their involvement with the Friends. In addition to select statistical data, this 2018-19 Annual Report features just some of the statements provided by active volunteers through the Project Impact survey, which we feel help to demonstrate the Friends’ impact within the community and on peoples’ lives.

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**Nic Blanchet, Friends of Fish Creek Executive Director, was posed these three questions about the impact of his work with the Friends of Fish Creek -**

What has been the most significant discovery you have made this past year about the Friends community of volunteers, members and donors?  
*After thoroughly working through the Project Impact material and results I discovered that the Friends are not an ‘Environmental’ organization as I thought, they are in fact a ‘people’ organization that works to the benefit of the environment in the park.*

What skills have you developed since starting the position of ED and how has developing these skills affected other areas of your life?  
*I realized early on that my role was that of coach and innovator. I applied what I had learned from previous experience and noticed that my preferred style of leadership more closely resembled coaching than directing. With this in mind I have been working on developing my coaching skills, these skills have also proven useful in supporting my children in their chosen endeavours.*

How do you personally identify with the park landscape?  
*I have an ambivalent relationship with the park landscape; whilst I appreciate what an incredible resource it represents to the community I am also keenly aware of how much environmental management work is required to optimize this resource and sustain it.*

**-Nic Blanchet, Friends of Fish Creek Executive Director**

Since 2006, I have enjoyed working with the other volunteer board members and four different Executive Directors, to build the Friends of Fish Creek into a sustainable organization offering fantastic programs and volunteer opportunities for our community. Every year when I attend the Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, I am reinvigorated by the energy and commitment of our volunteers that allows the Friends to deliver on our mission.

With my volunteering on the Board and volunteering for other programs and activities, I have found the I more fully appreciate what our park provides our community. My time in the park, both as a volunteer and a user, has positively impacted my overall wellness.

**-Bob Morrin, Friends of Fish Creek Board Chair**

The Friends of Fish Creek understand community vision (why) and community action (what). They recognize the role that community vision plays in motivating diverse people to get involved. The Friends inspire others to contribute their talents, knowledge, resources, passion and time to build and achieve that community vision (and associated action) in Fish Creek Provincial Park.

It is easy to measure tangible things (volunteer hours, numbers of willows planted, or meters of streambank rehabilitated), but the metrics of community and belonging are felt and harder to quantify. It is the intangibles (only seen and experienced over time) that are the backbone of strong relationships and communities.

“The most important contribution that any of us can make now is not to solve any particular problem... What we must do now is increase the proportion of humans who know that they can cause change.” - Bill Drayton, Ashoka (2006)

**- Julia Millen, Acting Community & Partner Relations Team Lead Kananaskis Region, Alberta Parks**

**Vision** - A sustainable Fish Creek Provincial Park that improves the quality of life for present and future generations.

**Mission** - To engage the community through activities and awareness to conserve a truly unique naturalized urban park.

**STATS**  
**NOVEMBER 2018 - DECEMBER 2019**

Friends volunteers contributed over **11,512** volunteer hours between November 2018 and December 2019.

**253** individual volunteers helped in Friends programs, courses and events, with over **600** volunteer occurrences.

The Friends staff, volunteers and community members led **381** program sessions.

**7660** members of the public were engaged through Friends programs.

The Friends engaged **14** Community and Corporate groups during the 2018-19 program season.

We led **381** Program Days between November 2018 and December 2019.

**40** Sponsors and **24** Community Partners helped support our programs and events.

**Riparian Restoration and Watershed Stewardship**  
**950 meters** of streambank assessed  
**200** willow stakes planted  
**940 kg** of invasive plants removed from the park  
**430** trees wrapped  
**105** bags of litter removed from the park

From October 2018 - November 2019, 110 **TD Learning Naturally** program days took place. 4707 students between grades K—6 and 940 teachers and parent volunteers were able to come to Fish Creek Provincial Park for an environmental education field trip.



*Thank you for inviting me to Fish Creek Provincial Park. I really want to come again. I like going there because we got to learn about things about bugs.* - Jennifer, grade 3

*Thank you for letting us go for free. My favourite part of the field trip was seeing the woodpeckers home. It made feel so relaxed to go to Fish Creek Provincial Park.*



**WHAT’S THE IMPACT?**  
**PROJECT IMPACT SURVEY RESPONSES FROM ACTIVE VOLUNTEERS**

*I was responsible before, but since knowing about Friends’ volunteers who support the park I have become more aware and appreciative of all the hard work many people put into keeping the park beautiful.*

*Before (volunteering) I was focused on enjoying my time in the park. Although there is much I still need to understand, now I am much more aware of advocating, promoting stewardship, preservation for years to come and responsible use of the facilities.*

*What has kept me coming back has simply been my love of the park and my desire to keep the park a beautiful place to come.*

*The excitement of people appreciating, learning and becoming more involved in their understanding of nature and our need to care for our planet. I am learning so much every day and volunteering keeps me seeking new knowledge. It also provides meaningful ways to engage and be active outside all year. The health benefits physically and emotionally are wonderful. Meeting new friends is always important. I always feel welcome and valued. I also enjoy being a role model for my grandchildren.*

*A sense of community has been elevated since my joining the Friends. I feel very good about my contribution and am very satisfied in making a little bit of a difference.*

*New acquaintances made through volunteering, have now become dedicated friends with new learning, planning outdoor events together and helping in new volunteer events that I might not have considered or known about previously. I have even joined a book club on nature related reading material and taken up new hobbies like birding, botany and hiking.*

*I thoroughly enjoy the involvement with other volunteers and Friends staff, but most importantly I get great satisfaction knowing that I am helping to preserve this great park so that others can enjoy it now and into the future.*

*So rewarding to be a part of this community - so much gratitude and love to all the staff and volunteers*

*Our close work with Friends’ staff also makes us feel valued and part of the park. We are connected, a community of park mentors.*

*With the help of the Friends, I felt significant benefits from my involvement with the park and its community.*

*When volunteering, I do focus on the positives. I feel it is my responsibility to learn more about threats to our park and the world in general. However, being in the park so often has raised my awareness immensely. By learning about the different initiatives, I am becoming a better steward for the park and nature in general.*

*I feel like I belong here.*

*I don't have a chance to volunteer often, but when I do, I really love it! Thank you for the opportunity!*

*Friends does so many things to make this huge park a safe and happy place to be. The list is long as there are several things that happen during the summer that the public is invited to. We report any findings to the office and they immediately look into them, making sure all is good.*

*I am just so proud of the fact that our city has Fish Creek Provincial Park. Every time I am there and see people enjoying the space I feel better about the future!*

*Not surprisingly, many of the volunteers have similar interests beyond those that draw us to volunteer.*

*One of the biggest influences on my life has come from participating in the Friends bird watching group for the past few years. I have met several people within this group that I also have become involved with others outside of the Friends of Fish Creek.*



David Meisner, JJ & Julianne Mission, Bruce & Diana Mitchell, David Mitchell, Sharon Mitchell, Bob Morrin, Joyce Motyka, Stephen Mulholland, Colleen Nagel, Darcy Nakamura, Larry & Helen Newel, Wendy Nickson, Emma Norris, Radomir Obad, Ron Ostrander, Naomi Parker, Brian Pegg & Ellen Story-Pegg, Hannah Penner, Jim Pescott & Susan Ward, Stephen Phelps, Madalena Pinto, Slavica Pribilovic, Sylvia Prochownik, Neil Puffer & Joyce Crew, Ryan Quan, **Traelyn Rachar - New and Noteworthy**, Bryan & Kim Radies, Linda Rae, Rose, Will, Michael & Karen Ratliffe, Robin Read, Dave Reid & Diane Lyders, Elinor Reid, Sharon & **Ian Richardson - Community Action Team Friendmaking and Fundraising**, Lynda Rive, Rick Robb, Gabrielle Roberge, Lewis Robertson, Erin Rosenthal, **Ward Sanderson - Behind the Scenes**, Liza Schach, Julia Schneider, Travis Schwab, Stewart Scott, Paul & **Kathy Seaman - Volunteer of the Year**, Heather Setka, Valerie Shartau, Jason Shaver, Lisa Shin, Bryan Simpson, Stuart Simpson & Jean Channon-Simpson, Bill Skinner, Kathy Slepokura, Doreen Smale, Matthew Smith, Rebecca Smith, Crawford Smyth, **Jennifer Solem - Community Champion**, Liz Soria, Marina Spahlinger & Morgan Mackie,





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### TREASURER'S REPORT

Phil Greer, Treasurer  
Friends of Fish Creek Board of Directors

At the 2018 Annual General Meeting the membership approved a change in our year-end from September 30 to December 31. For the fifteen months October 1 to December 31, 2019, the Society reported a net loss (excess of expenses over revenues) of \$17,019 compared to net income of \$5 for the twelve months ended September 30, 2018.

Our revenues for financial reporting purposes were \$526,259 in 2019 compared to \$367,426 in 2018. This improvement is primarily from increased grant and casino funding.

We incurred expenses for financial reporting purposes in 2019 of \$543,278, an increase of \$175,857 over 2018 expenses, reflecting the additional three months of expenses, particularly salaries and additional program and project expenses. The most significant individual cash expense continues to be salaries and benefits which amounted to \$292,000 in 2019.

Our total cash position at December 31, 2019 was \$138,302 compared to \$242,593 at September 30, 2018. This reduction is primarily due to the change in year-end as October to December is traditionally the slowest revenue generating period of the year. We have set a budget for 2020 that ensures our operating expenses are aligned with our expected funding while maintaining a strong cash position throughout the year.

Summarized Financial Information (unaudited)			
	15 months Ended December 31	Year ended September 30	
	2019	2018	
Revenues and expenses	31	30	
Total revenues	\$ 526,259	\$ 367,426	
Member and education program expenses	422,435	280,454	
Administration Expenses	120,843	86,967	
Total Expenses	543,278	367,421	
Excess of revenues over expenses (expenses over revenues)	\$ (17,019)	\$ 5	
Financial Position	December 31, 2019	September 30, 2018	
Assets			
Unrestricted cash	\$ 3,506	\$ 62,716	
Restricted cash	\$ 134,795	179,877	
Restricted term deposits	36,913	35,794	
Total other assets	26,103	82,311	
	\$ 201,317	\$ 360,698	
Liabilities			
Deferred contributions	\$ 169,969	\$ 275,666	
Other Liabilities	35,422	72,087	
	205,391	347,753	
Net assets			
Internally restricted	1,740	9,520	
Unrestricted	(5,814)	3,425	
	(4,074)	12,945	
	\$ 201,317	\$ 360,698	

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