

PASSIONIST EARTH & SPIRIT CENTER

# NURTURING COMPASSION, COMMUNITY & CARE FOR THE EARTH TOGETHER

## ANNUAL REPORT 2021

Fiscal year ending June 30, 2021

**Together, we are growing our mission** to cultivate a community of transformative learning and service, committed to spiritual development, social compassion, and care for the Earth.

**Together, we are nurturing** a single, sacred Earth community in which all members flourish, welcoming and honoring all. We are fostering personal transformation through self-awareness and personal growth. We are responding with engaged compassion to human suffering and to the suffering of the Earth community.

**Together, we are improving lives** by expanding mindfulness and deepening spiritual connectedness. We are adapting and helping others adapt, become more resilient, and better manage stress and anxiety. These tools are more important now than ever before.

**Together, we are propagating compassion** through programs that move beyond education to compassionate action towards a more equitable, inclusive, and just society for all. We are fostering dialogue to heal across divides.

**Together, we are fostering care for the Earth** for people of all ages through classes, internships, field trips, and hands-on learning to inspire environmental sustainability and stewardship at our 27-acre nature preserve of trails, gardens, greenhouses, wetlands, habitats, and forest.

**Together, we are expanding our reach and impact** to ensure access for all, especially youth and individuals from under-resourced and marginalized communities. Everyone deserves the opportunity to thrive.

**Thank you for being part of our  
Earth & Spirit Center community!**





# MISSION IN ACTION - A YEAR IN REVIEW



I learned about myself and others. I learned that I'm not alone in these injustices that we have been facing. I got to connect with nature and all types of activists. I have the motivation to help so much. And there's hope for a change. This program has inspired me to become who I am.

- ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE INTERN

**1 in 4**

CAMP ODYSSEY CAMPERS  
RECEIVED A FULL SCHOLARSHIP

**1,145**

HOURS OF ENGAGING ENVIRONMENTAL  
INTERNS IN EARTH CARE

**300**

GALLONS OF FRESH, ORGANIC KALE  
DONATED TO FEED LOUISVILLE

**887**

PEOPLE PARTICIPATED IN  
DONATION-BASED PROGRAMS

**56,578**

TOTAL PRO-BONO PARTICIPANT  
HOURS WITH MINDFULNESS MENTORS

**267**

PEOPLE TRANSFORMED THROUGH  
OUR RACIAL EQUITY PROGRAMS



Dear Friends,

Back in July 2020, we headed into fiscal year 2021 as the pandemic threw normalcy out the window. In the fog of so much uncertainty, we were nonetheless clear that our mission was more vital than ever before.

We adapted almost all of our courses to be offered online, including the free instruction provided to underserved clients through our Mindfulness Mentors program. We piloted new Interfaith Spirituality programs. We expanded our Social Compassion courses, including our racial equity series, engaging minds, hearts, and hands in helping to build a more just and equitable community. We also offered new courses to foster dialogue and nonviolent communication.

To promote Care for the Earth, we led weekly educational hikes, grew produce for local food banks, launched our new Deep Ecology Environmental Justice Internship program, continued to engage Environmental Interns, facilitated a new monthly Earth Advocates group, and developed virtual nature field trips for local schools. We also safely resumed our Camp Odyssey summer camps.

The pandemic gave us the gift of having to take strategic risks amidst uncertainty. We made two full-time hires this year and it is already paying dividends. Our new Development Director is building a robust fundraising program and our new Program Manager is implementing new programs that will reach thousands of youth each year. We will continue to extend our reach and impact through expanded audiences and programming. And we have an exciting new outdoor construction project underway that we can't wait to tell you more about soon.

It's a thrilling time of evolution and growth leading to a stronger, more robust community of transformative learning and service. We are immensely grateful for your support, making our work possible. Thank you.

**Kyle Kramer**

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

# FINANCIAL SUMMARY

## BALANCE SHEET

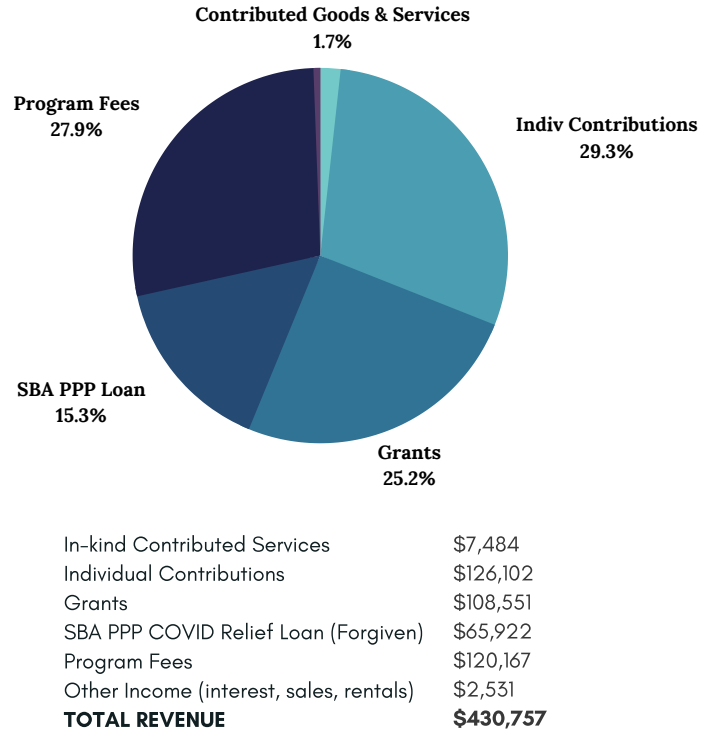
	FY 2020-21	FY 2019-20
<b>Assets</b>		
Total Checking/Savings	\$571,092	\$591,305
Accounts Receivable	\$10,111	\$5,447
Other Current Assets	-\$5,919	\$1,490
Total Fixed Assets	\$11,689	\$12,255
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$586,972</b>	<b>\$610,497</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Accounts Payable	\$7,705	\$3,993
Accrued Expenses	\$11,309	\$12,324
Accrued Liabilities	\$1,381	\$2,150
Deferred Revenue	\$53,814	\$81,764
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$74,209</b>	<b>\$100,232</b>
<b>Equity</b>		
Unrestricted Net Assets	\$510,265	\$459,685
Net Income	\$2,499	\$50,580
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>	<b>\$512,763</b>	<b>\$510,265</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>\$586,972</b>	<b>\$610,497</b>



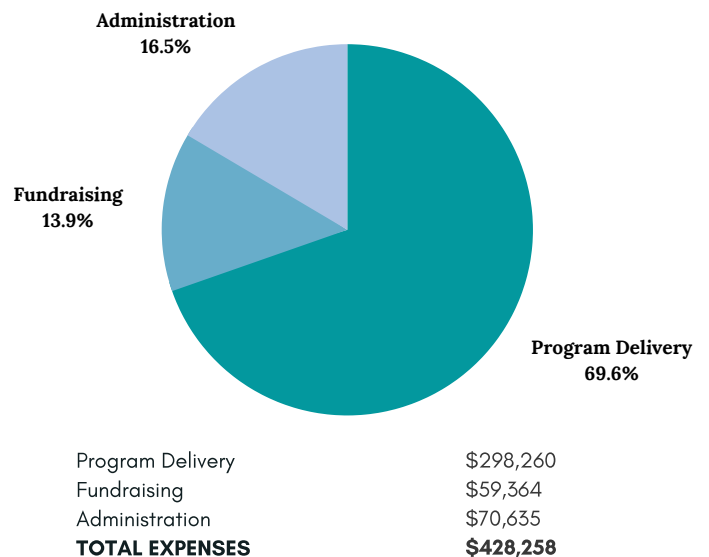
The Earth and Spirit Center continues to be one of the front runners for putting out to the public important and informative information for deep change in our society.

- LISTEN, LEARN, ACT PARTICIPANT

## REVENUE



## EXPENSES



## Accountability & Transparency

The Earth & Spirit Center is a BBB Accredited Charity, meeting all 20 standards of Charity Accreditation. Our fundraising expense ratio of fundraising expenses to total development income for the 2020-2021 fiscal year is 20%. This is higher than previous year averages due to the addition of a full-time Development Director, but still well below the BBB standard of 35% or less. We expect this number to continue to decrease again over time as we increase our fundraising revenue. We have a Gold Star Seal of transparency on GuideStar, a national non-profit rating database. We are dedicated to maximizing our resources, maintaining the highest level of financial responsibility, and investing in long-term organizational sustainability.

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- CATHERINE, VOLUNTEER

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Please consider a gift in support of our mission today. Your support is vital to help our organization and our community thrive. Every gift makes a difference and is an investment towards a more compassionate future.

As we forge ahead in these challenging times, we are working hard to serve the greatest needs in our community while still making up for lost revenue due to the pandemic as we continue to shift our model to more free and donation-based programs. We are actively growing reach and impact, especially in our racial equity programs and in opportunities for youth to engage in our mission. We are expecting to increase the number of youth served this year by thousands. Your gift can help make more possible. Donate online at [earthandspiritcenter.org](http://earthandspiritcenter.org) or mail to:

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