

Dear LSNC family,

**I'm proud to present the LSNC 2012-13 Annual Report.** This was a year of reflection and change for us, and your support—as donors, program participants, neighbors, staff, and volunteers—has allowed us to grow and broaden **our commitment to the community.** One change we carried out is reflected in this report: a shift to our internal calendar, bringing us into alignment with our audiences in a way that will **improve our effectiveness;** 2012-13 was a transitional 10-month fiscal year.

This was a wonderful year for us. We introduced Fireside Fun, a monthly campfire event, free and open to all. Intended as a **welcoming space for the community** to gather; the events were an immediate success, as people of all ages and backgrounds joined us around the fire to share stories, enjoy the outdoors, and get to know one another. Throughout the year, we were privileged to take LSNC into **unique settings** and bring environmental education and hands-on natural science to **new audiences,** including programs for families, patients, and staff at C.S. Mott's Children's Hospital and VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System, as well as a second year of programming with residents of Oakland Children's Village.

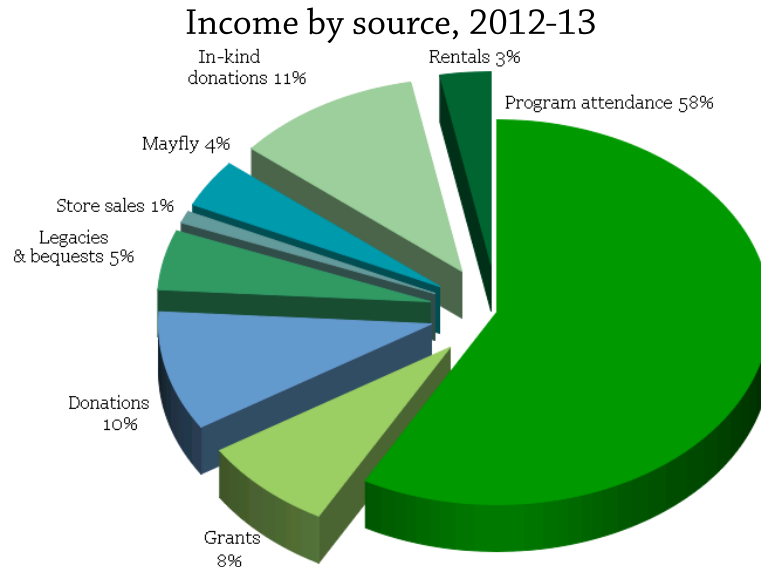
Here on our site, we were able to make **significant physical improvements** to our Critter House throughout the year, better supporting our educational animals as well as our ability to teach visitors. In December 2012, **new pathway construction** was completed on our site; this millage-funded project made our buildings and raptor enclosures accessible at ADA standards and reflects our commitment, supported by the City of Ann Arbor, to be an organization that welcomes everyone in our community.

I invite you to read through the information in this Annual Report, and to visit any time—you are always **welcome** at our programs, on our hiking trails, visiting our non-releasable birds of prey, or even just stopping by to say hello!

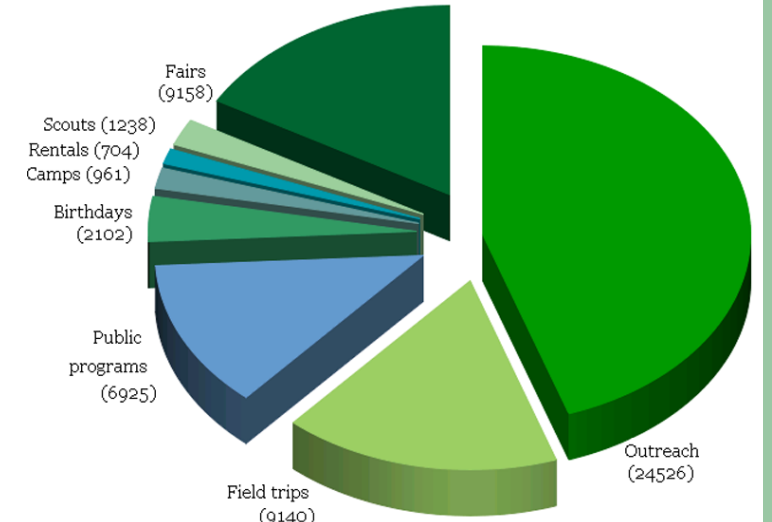
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**Our top expenses:**  
All figures and data reflect ten-month 2012-13 fiscal year.

- Program & operations staff
- Program materials & equipment
- Facilities
- Transportation— includes busing and travel to programs



**Our reach by program type, 2012-13**



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# Leslie Science & Nature Center

2012-13

# Annual Report

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