2022 Annual Report

January 2023

Accomplishments

o Grant funds expended as of 12/31/2022

Two active CAL FIRE California Greenhouse Gas Fund and California Climate Investment grants expended \$94,591. One California Coastal Commission grant working with Contra Costa County Resource Conservation District expended \$15,000 (plus \$76,925 of reimbursed project funds). Grant funds were used for outreach, education, hazardous fuel reduction, and operations.

- Community match for hazardous fuel reduction: \$279,560 cash match and \$72,231 of inkind services with over 2,290 volunteer hours for a total of 25 hazardous fuel reduction projects treating over 434 acres.
- Funding for Defensible Space Projects in Alameda & Contra Costa Counties
 The popular "Partners in Wildfire Prevention" program continued to provide up to \$5,000 seed funding for neighbors, and agencies linked by concern of wildfire hazards around their homes and adjacent open space. California Climate Initiative and private donations funded projects in the communities of Castro Valley, Oakland, Pleasanton, San Leandro, Briones, Crockett, East Richmond Heights, El Cerrito, El Sobrante, Lafayette, Moraga, Morgan Territory, Orinda, and Rossmoor. 43 approved projects were awaiting future funding as of December 31, 2022
- Another Proud Partner in Wildfire Prevention!
 Join your neighbors. Get ready for wildfire.

Diablo Firesafe Council



- Contra Costa Resource Conservation District (CCRCD) and California State Coastal Commission (SCC). Working with the CCRCD, SCC funding provided up to \$5,000 each for 16 community-led projects for a total of \$76,925 of funding. Projects were located in the communities of Briones, Castro Valley, El Cerrito, El Sobrante, Lafayette, Morgan Territory, Orinda, Oakland, Richmond and San Pablo. Sweat equity and homeowner funding provided a match of \$169,618. Work included tree thinning and limbing up, ladder fuel and brush removal on 270 acres of open space and near homes.
- Special Needs Assistance Program. Working with local fire inspectors, DFSC "Partners in Wildfire Prevention" assisted low-income seniors, special needs or in disadvantaged communities. Four pilot projects were completed in Berkeley, Orinda and Sunol. A total of \$18,100 was provided for defensible space around homes where residents needed assistance.
- Firewise: 5 Easy Actions to Harden Your Home.

A pilot program created with recognized Firewise neighborhoods to showcase actions to harden homes: developing zone 0, deck maintenance, fill gaps, screening vents and gutters. On-site review and discussion include material samples. Completed first workshop with Acacia neighborhood in Berkeley. Two more planned in 2023 in Oakland and Moraga-Orinda.

Kensington Fuel Reduction Projects

The Kensington fuel reduction projects utilize community fundraising to fund ongoing work on both private and public lands. 2022 was the twelfth year of neighbors working under DFSC sponsored Right of Entry (ROE) agreement with East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD) to create defensible space in Wildcat Canyon Regional Park adjacent to homes. During 2022 six projects spent \$20,356 on both private and public lands along the interface with Wildcat Canyon Regional Park.

o Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) Updates and Regional Priority Plan

The Alameda County CWPP Update was deferred until 2023 due to Covid-19 restrictions on meeting in person. Contra Costa CWPP Update adopted May, 26, 2020. The Regional Priority Plan for healthy forests and fire resiliency was completed by CCRCD and regional stakeholders in September 2022. The RPP identify regional natural resource concerns that could be exacerbated by catastrophic wildfire and develop projects or other methods to remedy those issues ahead of the next fire.

Services to Agency Partners

DFSC provided \$20,974 of services to agency partners, including working with East Bay Regional Park District, Contra Costa Resource Conservation District, and University of California Berkeley on fuel projects, environmental review, outreach and grant administration.

Membership, corporate grants, community financial support \$25,702.
 Friends of DFSC: Kensington, El Cerrito, Oakland and Berkeley residents' and Thrivent In-faith community donations.

Outreach and Education

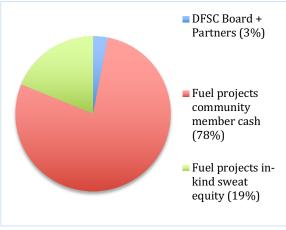
Website update + E-mail updates







Matches from Partners in Wildfire Prevention



Financial Report

Balance Sheet - Assets & Liabilities as of December 31, 2022

Assets

Cash in Banks \$98,749.51 **Total Assets** \$98,749.51

Liabilities & Equity

Deferred Revenues & Grant Advances \$70,046.63

Equity

Unrestricted \$48,372.52* Net Income \$-19,669.64** Total Liabilities & Equity \$28,702.88

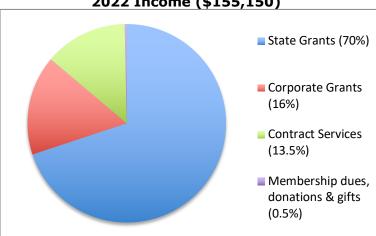




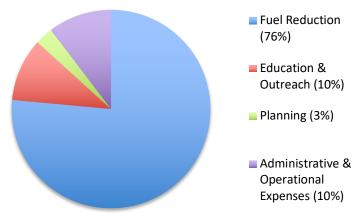


Income and Expenses

2022 Income (\$155,150)



2022 Expenses (\$174,820)



Grant Programs Status as of December 31, 2022

	Budget*	Expenditures to date	Balance	Status
5GG17201 Partners in Wildfire Prevention 2018-2021	\$324,020	\$285,846*	\$38,174	Extended to March 15, 2025
5GG20118 Partners in Wildfire Prevention 2021-2025	\$493,850	\$113,008	380,842	Active through March 15, 2025
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Subtotals	\$817,870	\$398,854	\$419,016	

^{*} Includes grant funds expended in 2019 -2021

















^{*}Unrestricted funds include \$8,733.35 Board Designated Funds reserved for special projects.

^{**\$20,356.09} were expended in special projects during 2022.