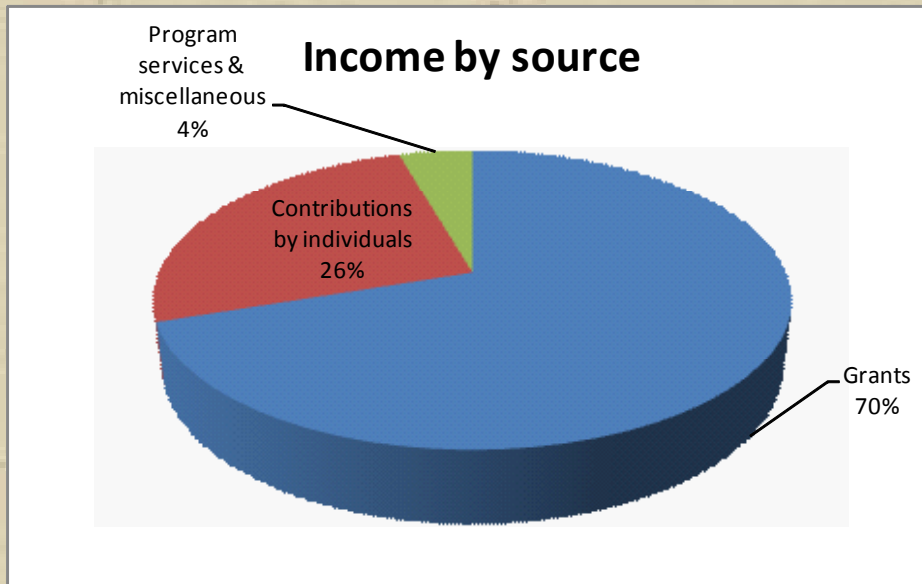
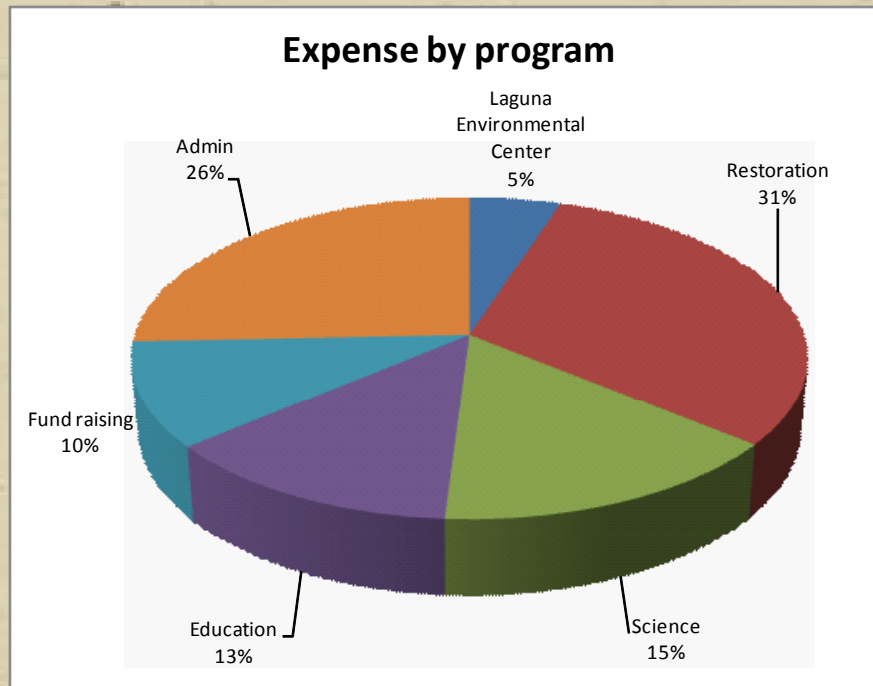


## FY 2012 Revenue



Grants	821,635
Contributions by individuals	303,305
Program services and miscellaneous	52,386
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>1,177,326</b>

## FY 2012 Expenses



Personnel	385,189
Other project/program costs	147,133
Office & administration	58,307
Professional services	20,294
Loan interest, bank fees & taxes	14,971
Fund raising event costs	13,764
Maintenance & utilities	7,407
Training & volunteer costs	4,754
Merchandise production	3,744
Depreciation	37,385
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>692,947</b>



# ANNUAL REPORT 2012

*To preserve, restore and enhance the Laguna de Santa Rosa,  
and to inspire greater public understanding and appreciation  
for this magnificent natural area.*



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Dear Friends,

The 2011-2012 Fiscal Year was a momentous one for the Laguna de Santa Rosa Foundation. During this period we completed construction of our new facility Great Blue Heron Hall (right). This facility, together with the outdoor interpretive signage and native plant landscaping largely completes the Laguna Environmental Center project. The Center also includes the renovated Civil War era farmhouse that has been our offices for the last three years and a native plant nursery. Altogether the Center has been a project nine years in the making. A Grand Opening in May brought over 600 visitors in a single day!



Heron Hall is being used for many things: our own nature education series, Learning Laguna docent training, board and other meetings and new fundraising events. We are also renting the facility to other groups for meetings, corporate retreats, memorials, etc. All of these uses help further our mission to educate the public about the Laguna ecosystem and generate additional public support for the rest of our mission to restore and protect "our" Wetland of International Importance.

Please come out to the Center to learn more; not only is there lots to see here, but you can also pick up newly published brochures about hiking and kayaking in the Laguna, purchase a Field Guide to the Laguna or a Field Guide to the Vernal Pool Plants on the Santa Rosa Plain. You can also do some birdwatching, plein air painting, or just have a picnic lunch at one of the many picnic tables and benches.

For the Laguna,

Handwritten signature of Hugh Helm.

Hugh Helm  
*President, Board of Directors*

Handwritten signature of David Bannister.

David Bannister  
*Executive Director*

## YEAR AT A GLANCE

### Education

#### *Raising Public Awareness and Providing Environmental Education*

- During the 25th & 26th seasons of Learning Laguna, over 1144 students from 41 second, third and fourth grade classes learned directly about Laguna plants and animals and the importance of wetlands through interactive classroom activities and experiential field trips to the Laguna. Docents served 169 (15% more students this year – 169 more students experienced the wonders of the Laguna!

- We gratefully acknowledge the work of 60 Laguna docents who skillfully and heart fully contributed more than 1055 hours of teaching time to Learning Laguna.

- \$1,956 in bus scholarships were awarded to 30% of participating Learning Laguna classes, enabling 375 students to experience the Laguna.

- Fourteen new docents completed the 10-week docent training class in spring.

- The education team created activities and site tours for the grand opening of the Laguna Environmental Center.

- A new volunteer program was created for the Laguna Environmental Center entitled Laguna Guides and the first training was conducted in June with 22 participants.

### Restoration

#### *Bringing Back the Laguna's Natural Abundance*

- Hosted our third annual Tree-A-Thon event where 80 volunteers planted nearly 600 trees in the City of Sebastopol Laguna Wetlands Preserve.

- Hosted nine Laguna Keepers events throughout the Laguna and several special Laguna Learning Center Landscape workdays which generated over 700 volunteer hours for restoration efforts in the Laguna.

- Continued to implement the Middle Reach Restoration Project which included twenty-eight acres of habitat restoration with over 3,000 native plants installed in the Sebastopol Laguna Wetlands Preserve.

- Grew and diversified our internship program to create enriched work experience opportunities for college students which generated over 1,370 hours of project support.

- Encumbered over \$175,000 in grants and matching project support for future restoration efforts in the Laguna.

- Engaged a wide spectrum of community groups in our work including: North Bay Conservation Corps' Project ReGeneration, Sonoma Youth Ecology Corps, Anly, Cardinal Newman and Windsor high schools, and international exchange students with Global Student Embassy.

### Conservation Science

#### *Understanding and Protecting the Laguna Watershed*

- Conducted the 6th year of the Adopt a Vernal Pool program – a volunteer Citizen Scientist led effort to gather annual data on endangered plant populations.

- Published the "Field Guide to the Vernal Pool Plants of the Santa Rosa Plain" that will serve as a support text for Adopt a Vernal Pool Citizen Scientists.

- Evaluated water quality of creeks and streams for the 2nd year in the lower Laguna watershed.

- Controlled the invasive exotic plant species *Mentha pulegium* in 100 vernal pools using hand-spraying and implemented a study to evaluate the effectiveness in a subset of pools.

- Mapped the extent of the invasive exotic plant *Ludwigia sp.* that continues to spread throughout the Laguna watershed and used spatial analyses to compare the present extent to known and previously mapped occurrences.

- Continued Long-Term Bird Surveys establishing a baseline for assessing potential impacts of trails in the Laguna and evaluating the success of the Middle Reach Restoration Project.

## DONORS

### \$10,000+

Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria, Lynn and Anisya Fritz, Soroptimist International of Santa Rosa, Rick Theis and Carolyn Johnson, Vic and Karen Trione.

### \$5,000 - \$9,999

Susan and Ken Churchill, Coddling Foundation, Betsy Stewart, Raini and Steve Vallarino.

### \$2,500 - \$4,999

Community Foundation Sonoma County, Petersen Builders, Inc, Rotary Club Sebastopol, Mike and Barbara Shepherd, Anne and W. Clayton Stephens, Janis and Warren Watkins.

### \$1,000 - \$2,499

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### \$500 - \$999

Amy's Kitchen, Bill and Gail Bettinelli, Lawrence and Eliana Brooke, Denise Cadman and Stuart Schroeder, Mike Center and Marlene Russell, Marcia Coleman, Bill and Joyce Cox, Bart and Ditty Deamer, Miles Ferris, Susie Hagemeister, Sharon Hawthorne, Carroll and John Hirsch, Rhoann Ponseti and Stefan Jonson, Pat and Tim Preston, Prunuske Chatham, Inc., Redwood Credit Union, Redwood Hill Farm, Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District, Summerfield Cinemas, True Liberty Bags, John and Claire Werner.



**Grand Opening Celebration of the Laguna Environmental Center, May 2012**

### \$250 - \$499

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**Laguna Foundation** is grateful to every one of the individuals and organizations who made a broad range of financial gifts from July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012.

## **\$100 - \$249**

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## **New Public Education Programs!**



**Tule Basket-Making Workshop, July 2012**



**Laguna Headwaters Walk, September 2012**

**Statement of Activities**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2012**

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
<b>REVENUES AND SUPPORT</b>				
Grants	\$789,922	\$31,713		\$821,635
Contributions by individuals	288,814	14,491		303,305
Program income	52,386			52,386
Other income	14,922			29,508
Net assets released from restrictions	66,098	-66,098		0
<b>Total revenues and support</b>	<b>1,197,220</b>	<b>-19,894</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,117,326</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
Program services				
Restoration	205,642			205,642
Conservation science	100,086			100,086
Education	82,941			82,941
Laguna Environmental Center	34,653			34,653
Total program services	423,322	0	0	423,322
Supporting services				
Management and general	196,687			196,687
Fundraising and member services	72,938			72,938
Total supporting services	269,625	0	0	269,625
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b><u>692,947</u></b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b><u>692,947</u></b>
Change in net assets	504,273	-19,894		484,379
Net assets, beginning of period	1,804,225	42,901	10,000	1,857,126
<b>NET ASSETS, END OF PERIOD</b>	<b><u>\$2,308,498</u></b>	<b><u>\$23,007</u></b>	<b><u>\$10,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$2,341,505</u></b>

*These statements are unaudited and for internal use only.*

**Statement of Financial Position**  
**As of June 30, 2012**

**ASSETS**

**Current assets**

Cash and equivalents	\$14,118
Accounts receivable	69,299
Other current assets	<u>38,195</u>
Total current assets	121,612

**Fixed assets**

Land, See Note 1	150,000
Building and property improvements	1,968,166
Property net of accumulated depreciation	45,493
Total fixed assets	2,164,109

**Other assets**

Lease gift in kind less value discount	201,207
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**Endowment fund**

	<u>8,872</u>
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Total other assets	<u>210,079</u>
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**Total assets**

	<b><u>\$2,495,800</u></b>
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**LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS**

**Current liabilities**

Accounts payable	\$28,511
Accrued vacation	10,359
Current portion, long term debt	57,000
Payroll liabilities	4,013
Other payables	<u>2,518</u>
Total current liabilities	<b><u>102,401</u></b>

**Long term liabilities**

Loan payable, See Note 2	<u>51,894</u>
Total long term liabilities	<b><u>51,894</u></b>

**Net assets**

Unrestricted	2,308,498
Temporarily restricted	23,007
Permenantly restricted	<u>10,000</u>
Total net assets	<u>2,341,505</u>

**Total liabilities and net assets**

	<b><u>\$2,495,800</u></b>
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**Grants and Contracts**

Bothin Foundation

California Department of Transportation

California Native Plant Society

California State Coastal Conservancy

California Water Resources Control Board

California Wildlife Conservation Board

City of Santa Rosa

City of Sebastopol

Community Foundation Sonoma County

Dean Witter Foundation

Kimball Foundation

Medtronic Foundation

San Francisco Bay Joint Venture

Sonoma County Fish & Wildlife Commission

Sonoma County Water Agency

Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation and

Open Space District

US Environmental Protection Agency

US Fish and Wildlife Service

*Note 1 - Land is shown at current appraised value. The property is encumbered by a conservation easement.*

*Note 2 - Note dated June 24, 2010, with principal-only payments through June 30, 2013. Simple interest accrues on principal balance at a rate of 5% per annum. Interest to be waived upon completion of principal payments in accordance with terms of note.*