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# Now is the time to protect the land and water that define who we are as Coloradans

As we reflect on the past year, I am filled with gratitude and pride for all we accomplished together in pursuing our shared mission—to protect land and water for the well-being of nature and people. In 2023, Palmer Land Conservancy made significant strides in safeguarding our state's natural beauty, thanks to the unwavering support of our community and dedicated donors like you. Your commitment has driven our success as we move closer to the goals within our most ambitious strategic plan, Land for Life, in Palmer's 46-year history.

We kickstarted the year by conserving a property within one of the fastest-growing regions in Colorado, northern El Paso County. This accomplishment is a testament to our collective dedication to preserving our state's unique ecosystems amidst rapid urban expansion. Palmer also advanced critical regional projects of national significance with progress on balanced water conservation solutions throughout the Lower Arkansas Valley, including the Bessemer Farmland Conservation Project and the Las Animas Consolidated and Extension Water Sharing Program. A keystone of the year was forming a multi-year partnership to protect 80,000 acres of Colorado Springs' natural beauty while also ensuring our military's security and resiliency. By recognizing the interconnectedness of our environment and national defense, the SOAR initiative exemplifies the impact we can achieve when communities come together with a shared vision.

In our continued vision to amplify the importance of conservation by bringing the land to the people and people to the land,
Palmer hosted more events in 2023 than in the history of our organization. Palmer members and our community play a pivotal role in conservation and, ultimately, make conservation happen. These gatherings not only strengthened the bonds within our community and the land but also served as a reminder of the profound impact we can have when we stand united around protecting the Colorado we love.

As we look ahead, I am inspired by the legacy we are building together. Your support has made a lasting mark on the conservation landscape. Our shared commitment will continue to shape a future where Colorado's natural beauty is protected for generations. Thank you for being an essential part of Palmer's conservation legacy.

Yours in conservation,



REBECCA JEWETT
President and CEO



# ORGANIZATIONAL EXCELLENCE

#### **WELCOME NEW BOARD MEMBERS**

### **Board of Trustees Update**

In December 2023, we welcomed five esteemed individuals to our board of trustees, each bringing a wealth of experience and dedication to advancing conservation efforts across Colorado. At the heart of Palmer's mission lies the belief that people are conservation's greatest resource. Their diverse skills, expertise, and passion for environmental stewardship will undoubtedly fortify our commitment to protecting Colorado's natural beauty for future generations.



Carol Cannon
El Paso County



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Pueblo County



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Amy McCoy
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Chris Wiseman Pueblo County

#### A HEARTFELT THANK YOU TO MATTHEW NIZNIK AND WELCOME JOHN GEARY

## Palmer welcomes new Chair of the Board of Trustees

With heartfelt gratitude, we honor Matthew Niznik for his dedication and remarkable leadership as the Chair of the Board of Trustees for the past two years. His commitment to Palmer's mission is truly admirable and has left a lasting impact on the organization.

As the baton is passed from one leader to the next, Palmer Land Conservancy welcomes John Geary as the new board chair. As the owner and president of GLM Development Co., he has also demonstrated a commitment to sustainable land and timber management. John is following in the footsteps of his uncle, Stu Dodge, who was Palmer's first executive director. Stu Dodge, alongside countless volunteers, helped guide legacy conservation work in the Pikes Peak region. It is a well-known story that for all of Stu's remarkable vision and energy put into conservation, Palmer paid him \$1 per year as executive director.



Matt Niznik



John Geary

#### Citizen of the West



General Ralph E. "Ed" Eberhart

The National Western Stock Show bestowed the esteemed Citizen of the West award upon Palmer Board Trustee General Ralph E. "Ed" Eberhart. This special recognition is a testament to his unwavering commitment to our country, embodying the very ideals of Western lifestyle, agricultural heritage, and pioneering traditions.

General Eberhart's journey is woven with valor and dedication. A retired four-star general and distinguished U.S. Air Force Academy graduate, he gained respect through his 36-year military service, which was marked by significant milestones. Notably, he steered the U.S. Northern Command and North American Aerospace Defense Command during a pivotal era after the September 11 attacks.

As the 45th Citizen of the West, General Eberhart embodies courage, integrity, and pioneering spirit. We are thrilled to honor this remarkable individual whose life story echoes the values of Palmer Land Conservancy. General Eberhart and his wife Karen stand as beacons of inspiration, reminding us of the profound impact one person can have on their nation and community.

### Heather Chaney Campbell Environmental Fellowship

Palmer Land Conservancy and the Heather Campbell Chaney Environmental Foundation proudly welcomed Tyler Yung as our Stewardship Environmental Fellow for the summer. Tyler, a student at Colorado College, brought valuable skills and a positive attitude to our team. He was selected as the recipient of the Heather Campbell Chaney Environmental Fellowship grant due to his strong commitment to environmental causes. Throughout the summer monitoring season, Tyler worked closely with Palmer's stewardship team to evaluate the condition of conserved properties. Tyler's acoustic band, the Porchbirds, even played tunes for the Bike the Bessemer lunch.



Tyler Yung

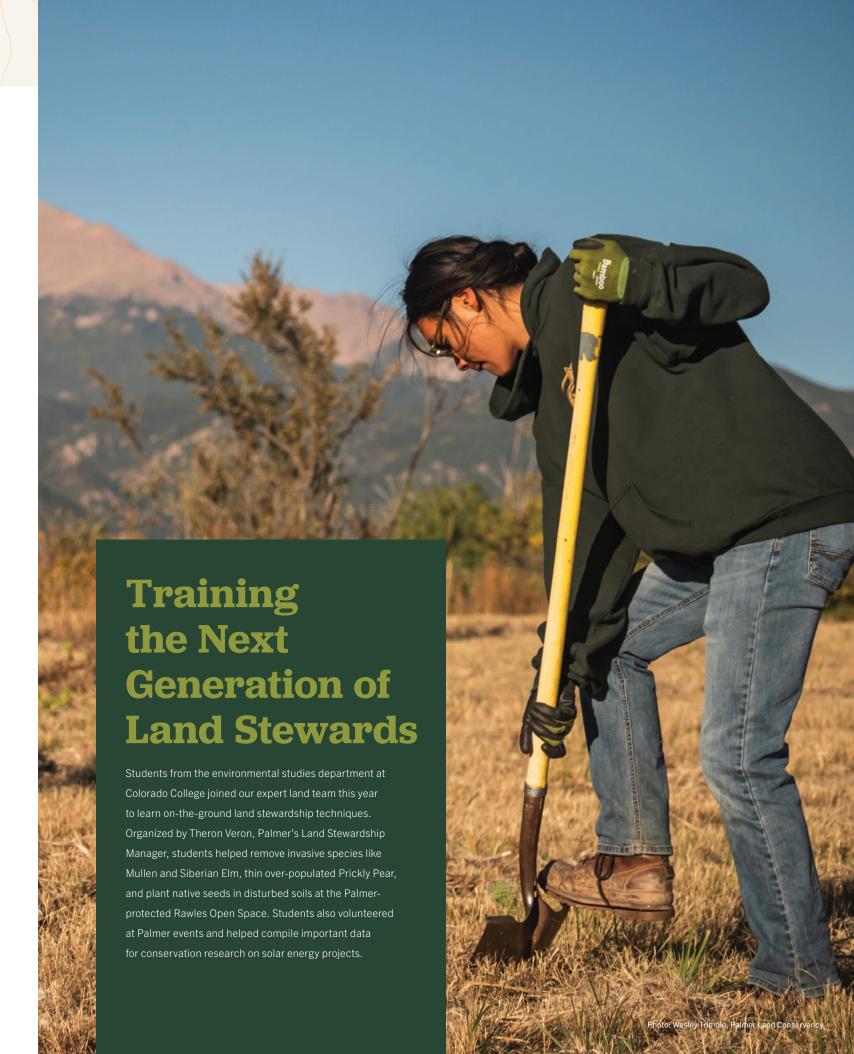


#### DONOR SPOTLIGHT

### **Taylor Shields**

"I joined Palmer because I learned of the partnerships you have with government, private, and other non-profit groups and it seems like you all are efficient in your work. Supporting local farmers, preserving open spaces and their views, protecting water, and encouraging people to eat local are all priorities for me -- so we align pretty well. Thanks for all your work!"

**Taylor Shields**PALMER MEMBER SINCE 2023





### LAND FOR PEOPLE

## **Cultivating Community with Engaging Events**

#### **TENACITY: WOMEN IN CONSERVATION 2023**

Whether in heels or boots, women know how to get the work of conservation done!

Women from all corners of Colorado gathered together to celebrate and learn from a panel of inspiring and knowledgeable women during Palmer's wildly successful annual TENACITY: Women in Conservation event on March 15, 2023. These women shared their visions, hopes, and concerns for the future of Colorado while also discussing how they harnessed their strengths to rise to the top of their respective fields and overcome adversity. Their stories, insights, and pearls of wisdom were genuinely moving and inspired participants to learn—and do—more. The sold-out crowd laughed and cried, reminded of the power of women supporting each other.



#### **OUR SPEAKERS**

#### Anne Castle (left)

Senior Fellow at the Getches-Wilkinson Center for Natural Resources, Energy, and the Environment at the University of Colorado Law School

#### Dawn DiPrince (center)

Executive Director of History Colorado

#### Jackie Miller (right)

Executive Director of Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO)

#### 2023 MAYORAL CANDIDATE FORUM FOR CONSERVATION

During the spring of 2023, the City of Colorado Springs was amidst an important mayoral race. To unite the community around conservation, water, and outdoor recreation, Palmer hosted a mayoral forum to hear the voices of prospective leaders about their views on these urgent and important topics. The turnout was remarkable, and the positive response from all involved made one thing clear —the land unites us all. Moderated by Alasyn Zimmerman of KOAA Channel 5 news, 11 of the 12 mayoral candidates joined for a robust discussion on the importance of protecting our natural resources.

#### **BIKE THE BESSEMER 2023**

Back by popular demand, Palmer hosted the third annual Pueblo farmland bike tour and farm-to-table lunch, which was the largest yet, attracting 150 cyclists. The educational and fun 12-mile cycling route featured century-old family-owned farms alongside the development growth of the region. The tour stopped at historic landmarks, including the Williams Seed Store, DiSanti Farms, and the Bessemer Irrigation Ditch, where participants heard stories from people who have lived and worked on the land for generations Each stop illuminated a distinct aspect of southern Colorado's long legacy of growing food. Through listening and asking thoughtful questions, participants gained a deeper understanding and appreciation for a part of Colorado that is often overlooked.

After completing the tour loop, participants enjoyed a farm-to-table lunch by the founders of Diavolo Pueblo and Bingo Burger, Mary Oreskovich and Richard Warner. Ticket proceeds and sponsorships of the event go to support Palmer's Land for Food and Water for Life conservation priorities.



"The event was amazing and so smooth for having so many participants. The pacing was great and filled the time in a not-rushed way. The distance between stops was nice, and I appreciated hearing the personal stories from your partners. Having the bike support was key... The lunch presentation was the right length, and the food was absolutely amazing."

- 2023 BIKE THE BESSEMER PARTICIPANT



#### **CELEBRATING THE LAND SUMMER BBQ**

Seventy Palmer members and their guests came together to celebrate their shared love for the land for a summer BBQ at the Double Eagle Ranch in Divide, a Palmer-protected property. Activities included hayrides, lawn games, live music from the Hickabees, and a delicious meal featuring local beef and a taste of yak from the PBJ Cattle Company. The Double Eagle Ranch is part of a 6,000-acre legacy conservation effort along Highway 24 between Woodland Park and Divide made possible by Palmer and a group of visionary landowners, donors, and partners who were committed to protecting agricultural, open space, and awe-inspiring views of Pikes Peak mountain, forever.



#### **WOMEN IN ACTION FALL 2023**

"People shape place, and places shape people." - Leah Davis Witherow

Women from around Colorado gathered for Palmer's Women in Action
quarterly luncheon featuring guest speaker Leah Davis Witherow, the

Curator of History at the Colorado Springs Pioneers Museum.

Leah shared her profound enthusiasm and delight for the intricate history of our region with captivating stories about remarkable women and often over looked communities. She explained the importance of topophilia—the emotional bond with one's surroundings—and urged us to contemplate how studying the past can help us understand the present and shape our desired future.

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## LAND FOR NATURE

A ONCE-IN-A-GENERATION CONSERVATION OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PIKES PEAK REGION

## **Preserving Nature and Securing Military Operations**

#### A Collaboration for Conservation

In a groundbreaking move towards preserving Colorado Springs' natural beauty and military preparedness, The Nature Conservancy, Trust for Public Land, and Palmer Land Conservancy joined forces in 2023 and launched the Security, Open Space, and Agricultural Resiliency Initiative (SOAR). This multi-year endeavor aims to protect 80,000 acres of high-priority open spaces, wildlife habitat, and agricultural lands that are vital for military training areas across the Pikes Peak region.

#### First Phase Achievement

Under the SOAR Initiative's banner, the partners recently celebrated their first significant achievement: the acquisition of 11,900 acres of the historic Bohart Ranch, a considerable portion of a vast 48,000-acre property. The Nature Conservancy and Trust for Public Land led the acquisition of Bohart Ranch, and Palmer provided technical assistance and project support.

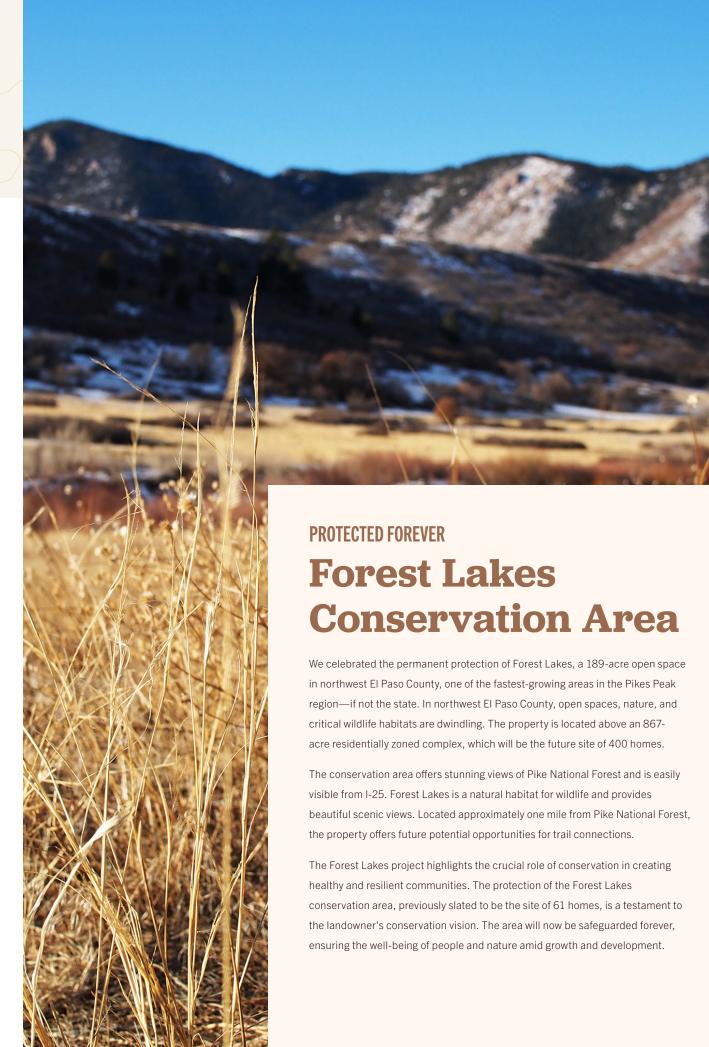
The Bohart Ranch is home to diverse ecosystems, supporting over 200 plant species, 40 native mammal species, and numerous grassland bird species. This acquisition, covering nearly 19 square miles, marks the first phase of a multi-phase project to conserve the entire 75-square-mile ranch. This strategic move safeguards critical Air Force training areas, ensuring uninterrupted operations and pilot proficiency.

#### **Beyond Conserved Acres**

Crucially, the SOAR Initiative is not merely a conservation effort; it's a testament to the power of collaboration. Public-private partnerships with the U.S. Department of Defense's Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration (REPI) program, the Defense Mission Task Force, Great Outdoors Colorado, and private foundations and corporations exemplify the shared commitment and benefit to preserving nature, bolstering military readiness, and ensuring a sustainable future for Colorado Springs.

"The SOAR project will bring tremendous value and benefits to the Colorado Springs community now and for future generations."

REBECCA JEWETT, PRESIDENT AND CEO





## LAND FOR FOOD

## **Southeast Colorado Focused Landscape Initiative**

As our five-year initiative funded by the Gates Family Foundation enters its fourth year, we're proud to report that we're making significant progress toward our goals. Our Southeast Colorado Focused Landscape Initiative focuses on sustainable conservation and community impact, and we're achieving those objectives by taking a holistic approach beyond traditional conservation practices. By investing in people and communities, we're not only strengthening the environment but also building more resilient communities that can thrive for generations to come.

#### **2023 Lower Arkansas Valley Conservation Fund Projects:**



#### **BOHART RANCH**

As the first phase of the Security, Open Space, and Agricultural Resiliency Initiative (highlighted on page 10), the 48,000-acre property makes way for a once-in-ageneration, landscape-scale conservation project in southeastern Colorado.



#### WILSON SOUTH RANCH CONSERVATION PROJECT

The 17,570-acre Wilson South Ranch sits in the middle of The Nature Conservancy's Southern High Plains Initiative's (SHPI) Prairie Canyonlands Focus Area and protects shortgrass prairie, one of the most imperiled ecosystems in the world. The Wilson South Ranch provided the opportunity to work towards landscape scale conservation outcomes needed to maintain strong agricultural operations and sufficient open spaces for self-sustaining wildlife populations into the future. The conservation easement was completed in May of 2023 in partnership with Colorado Cattlemen's Agricultural Land Trust.



#### **DELHI RANCH CONSERVATION PROJECT**

The Delhi Ranch is a stunning 27,078-acre agricultural property owned and operated by Monk and Gary Hall—members of a multigenerational ranching family who have grazed the land for more than 100 years. The ranch spans three Colorado counties—Las Animas, Otero, and Pueblo—and is home to healthy grasslands and numerous imperiled bird and mammal species. Our partners Colorado Cattlemen's Agricultural Land Trust completed the conservation easement in 2023.





## WATER FOR LIFE

#### ADVANCING THE BESSEMER FARMLAND CONSERVATION PROJECT:

#### **Leveraging a Decade of Partnerships** to Advance Win-Win Conservation Outcomes

Palmer has worked for nearly a decade to advance the Bessemer Farmland Conservation Project—a historic Western water initiative focused on finding win-win solutions to an impending dry-up of 5,000 acres of prime irrigated farmland in eastern Pueblo County. To chart a positive community outcome in the wake of this municipal purchase of agricultural water rights, Palmer has created a new model for water-sharing solutions and agricultural conservation—one that optimizes the use of limited water resources, allows for municipal growth, and safeguards Pueblo's agricultural culture and economy.

Built with community partners and subject matter experts, the Bessemer Project is supported by a robust body of work. This includes a scenario-based Economic Impact Analysis that underscores the necessity to protect Pueblo's agricultural heritage and community supported by two critical tools: a first-of-itskind legal framework that allows for innovative conservation outcomes and a cutting-edge online Decision Support Tool for land and water managers to optimize water supplies and guide future investment into the local agricultural community.

Leveraging these tools and accomplishments, in 2023, Palmer focused and advanced three key areas of the Bessemer Project. This included moving into the "proof of concept" phase to pilot our ability to successfully exchange water between farms—a crucial next step in testing the feasibility of the legal and conservation framework that has been built to protect highpriority farms and water rights. We've mobilized significant



funding and resources to accomplish this challenging task and are focused on finding willing partners, which has proved difficult due to the current real estate and financial markets.

Additionally, as part of our long-term strategy for success, we began leading a scalability assessment process in partnership with CDR Associates and community stakeholders to develop a stakeholder-informed roadmap for scaled impact. While proof of concept makes this project a reality, the scalability assessment will help project partners and the local community achieve its longterm goal of conserving a critical mass of irrigated farmland on the Bessemer Ditch. Lastly, after eighteen months of producing and planning, we finalized the strategy for a community mobilization campaign with a groundbreaking new documentary as the centerpiece of this effort that will launch in April 2024. Palmer believes there is nothing more powerful than storytelling and film when it comes to opening people's eyes and hearts to an issue. We commissioned a world renowned filmmaker to help us tell the story of the Pueblo farming community on "the Mesa" who we've been working alongside as part of our Bessemer Project. Produced by Palmer, MIRASOL, Looking at the Sun challenges us to protect agricultural communities like Pueblo, the lifeblood of our local food system, and to stand up for all the hardworking families and thriving farms on the fringes of cities that are so often taken for granted.

As the Bessemer Project continues to gain momentum, Palmer remains committed to finding win-win solutions that optimize the use of limited water resources and safeguard Pueblo's agricultural culture and economy for future generations.

#### BESSEMER FARMLAND CONSERVATION INITIATIVE INVESTORS























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#### LOOKING AT THE SUN

A FILM ABOUT WATER, LAND, AND A WAY OF LIFE

A film by BEN KNIGHT | Presented by PALMER LAND CONSERVANCY



Watch the Trailer:



### **MOBILIZING A MOVEMENT**

Palmer has launched a community mobilization impact campaign to inspire and mobilize people and communities to shift their understanding, actions, and attitudes towards conservation. Two years in the making, this campaign centers around a documentary film directed by the award-winning director Ben Knight. The film showcases the value of Pueblo County's farmlands and families and highlights the imminent threats they face from development, population growth, and water shortages in the Rocky Mountain West. The documentary film goes beyond agriculture and water to illuminate the intrinsic connection and universal human needs of food, family, love, and land. Join us in our effort to inspire and mobilize communities toward conservation.



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## FINANCIAL REPORT

### Fiscal Year 2023

July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

### Statement of Financial Position

CURRENT ASSETS	FY2023	FY2022
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$2,562,926	\$1,607,297
Accounts, Pledges & Grants Receivable	\$235,456	\$270,543
Prepaid Expenses	\$111,689	\$43,961
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$2,910,071	\$1,921,801
Investments <sup>2</sup>	\$4,816,772	\$5,425,335
Property (Land) & Equipment	\$389,983	\$389,983
TOTAL ASSETS	\$8,116,826	\$7,737,119
CURRENT LIABILITIES	FY2023	FY2022
Accounts Payable	\$67,389	\$33,118
Accrued Liabilities	<sup>\$</sup> 115,574	\$87,851
Deferred Revenue	\$1,487,540	\$1,383,918
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$1,670,503	\$1,504,887

NET ASSETS	FY2023	FY2022
Net assets without donor restrictions	\$529,167	\$411,156
Net assets without donor restrictions — Board designated	\$5,021,947	\$4,487,318
Net assets with donor restrictions	\$895,209	\$1,333,758
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$6,446,323	\$6,232,232
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	\$8,116,826	\$7,737,119

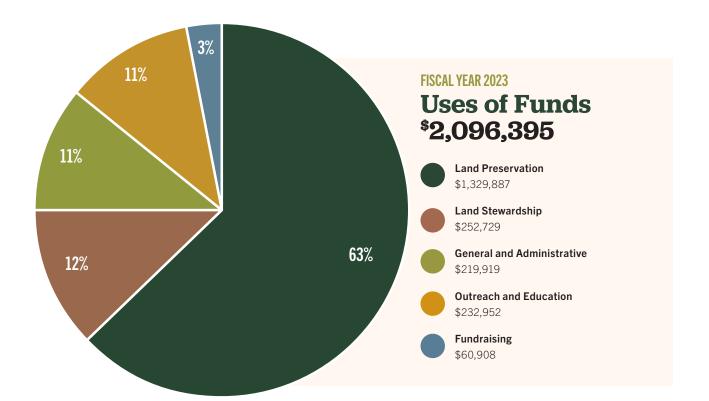
### **Statement of Activities**

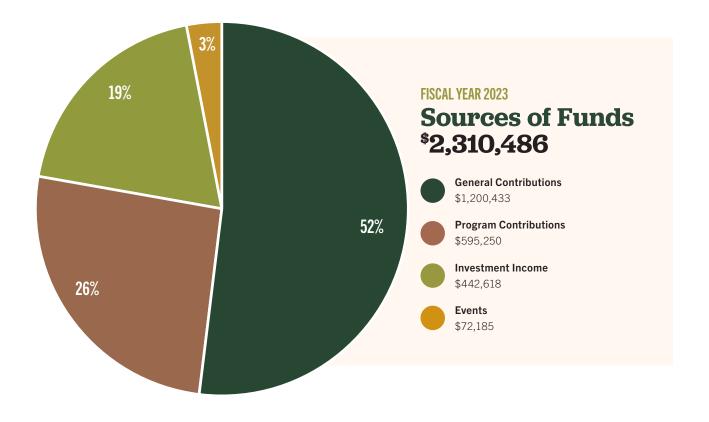
REVENUE	<u>FY2023</u>	<u>FY2022</u>
Investment Income net of fees	\$442,618	(\$655,557)
Donations & Grants	\$1,192,746	\$1,285,101
Program Contributions	\$595,250	\$57,823
Special Events	\$72,185	\$47,595
Other	\$7,687	\$117,824
TOTAL REVENUE	\$2,310,486	\$852,786
EXPENSES	FY2023	FY2022
Land Preservation	\$1,329,887	\$844,535
Land Stewardship	\$252,729	\$198,969
General & Administrative	\$219,919	\$200,779
Outreach & Education	\$232,952	\$166,742
Fund Development	\$60,908	\$68,854
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$2,096,395	<sup>\$</sup> 1,479,879
	FY2023	FY2022
NET ASSETS, beginning of year	\$6,232,232	\$6,859,325
NET ASSETS, end of year	\$6,446,323	\$6,232,232
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	\$214,091	(\$627,093)
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1 Based on audited financial statements from McMillen & Company, PLLC.

2 Investments include funds held in the Stewardship Fund, which is restricted to stewardship program expenses and managed like an endowment. The fund is used to monitor and steward all of Palmer's conserved properties.

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## THANK YOU TO OUR DONORS

Our generous donors make conservation happen. Beyond loving the vast beauty of Colorado, they courageously protect the Colorado good life—forever.

We are deeply grateful to our members, funders, and partners who are passionate about protecting the land. Thanks to your generosity, Palmer has been empowered to make significant strides in 2023, advancing conservation efforts in Colorado. We celebrate and thank you, our members, for your unwavering support to protect everything we cherish about Colorado for generations to come. Thank you for participating in this incredible journey towards a better future



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