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MISSION STATEMENT

Aullwood Audubon enriches lives through education and stewardship of birds and ecosystems.

VISION STATEMENT

We envision a world where birds thrive and people prosper, everyone is empowered to take conservation action, and diversity of life and thought is respected.

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AULLWOOD SERVES OUR COMMUNITY WITH THE WONDER OF NATURE & FARMING

This year, 20,150 children discovered nature, conservation and sustainable farming through Aullwood field trips or special classes. An additional 21,025 students participated in *Aullwood REACHES* outreach programs. These 41,175 students came from 13 counties, 22 public school systems and 120 different schools or educational institutions.

Honda of America Manufacturing provided a \$10,000 grant for students from Tri-County North Elementary School to participate in two field trips to Aullwood. 300 students in grades K-4 and 21 teachers delighted in the Aullwood Adventures School Program at Aullwood's Nature Center, Farm and sanctuary and enjoyed the Chris Rowlands assembly "It's Wild Out There".

Aullwood received a \$5,000 grant from The Susan Kathleen Black Foundation for an Artistic Residency at Beverly Gardens Elementary School in the Mad River School District in Riverside, Ohio with an enrollment of at least 384 students in grades K-4. Aullwood's Outreach Naturalist, Chris Rowlands, spent over 60 hours working on-site with the children in April and May 2019 to create an acrylic canvas mural depicting wildlife and birds using an impressionistic pointillism technique.

The Vandalia Cultural Arts Endowment Fund provided a \$3,500 grant for an Artistic Residency with Chris Rowlands at Demmitt Elementary School in the Vandalia-Butler School District, engaging all 504 K-3 students to create a mural entitled "Nighttime Flight."

Montgomery County Arts & Cultural District supported Aullwood with a grant of \$15,002 for general operations during the 2018-2019 fiscal year.

Three hundred eighty four children participated in Aullwood's *Summer Earth Adventures* classes.

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Aullwood received a \$20,000 grant from the Kettering Family Philanthropies to evaluate the *STEMing Science into Conservation Action* program. Elaine T. Horr, Ph.D., a Research Associate with the Center for Research and Evaluation of the Center of Science and Industry (COSI) in Columbus, Ohio, worked as the evaluator for the program. Aullwood education staff and Dr. Horr worked collaboratively to implement evaluation methods and develop program logic models.

With funds provided by the Martha Holden Jennings Foundation, Mathile Family Fund, Vectren Foundation, DP&L Foundation, Kenneth A. Scott Charitable Trust, Wallace Foundation, The Englewood Friends, and Bud & Esther Brown, Aullwood engaged 275 high needs 5th grade and high school students from six Dayton Public Schools in *STEMing Science into Conservation Action*. These students were engaged in 4.5 hours/day of hands-on science field experiences at Aullwood for 22 days. Study included water quality, fish identification, anatomy comparisons of reptiles/amphibians, bat studies, tree planting, invasive species discussion, forest ecology dynamics, pollinators, production of honey and maple syrup, birding and bird banding.

Aullwood received a \$32,000 grant from The Mariel Foundation to support the Muskrat Marsh Boardwalk Reconstruction Project. A memorial sign will be installed near the beginning of the boardwalk for Mariel Alice Talbot.

Cargill Provimi awarded Aullwood a \$10,000 grant for support of the care and feeding of Aullwood's farm animals as well as for farm education programs.

The Iddings Foundation provided a grant award of \$2,000 for Aullwood's *Small Steps in Nature* preschool program which provides programming for the Miami Valley Child Development Center (MVCDC) Farm Preschool at Aullwood and YMCA's Early Learning Center at Stillwater Church and Concord Church.

DP&L Foundation sponsored the *Aullwood READS* program, enabling forty 3rd grade students from Morton Elementary School to explore Aullwood and improve their reading skills.

Enrollment in Aullwood's Farm/Nature Play Head Start Preschool was filled at capacity with 34 youngsters experiencing daily encounters with nature and farming.

Montgomery County awarded Aullwood a \$22,660 grant from a Montgomery County Solid Waste District Business Recycling program to purchase 100% recycled decking to be used to rebuild Aullwood's front boardwalk, prairie tower, and rear fire escape.

Montgomery County awarded Aullwood a \$24,414 grant from a Montgomery County Solid Waste District Recycling Incentive Grant for the purchase of a diesel-powered wood chipper.

Aullwood received \$43,207 in grant awards and special gifts for the reconstruction projects for the prairie tower, front boardwalk and railing and the rear fire escape. These awards came from The Dayton Foundation, The Spurlino Fund, The Schade Family Foundation, The Spurlino Family Fund II, The Tatar Family Fund, and The Linda and Miles Schmidt Family Fund, with special gifts from Eileen Roberts and Sue & Ben Fry.

Aullwood was awarded a \$5,000 Dayton Conservation Fund Grant for a Water Improvement Project at Aullwood Farm which was matched by a \$5,000 grant from the Miami Conservancy District.

Aullwood's *Avian Art Contest* engaged 330 children from Beverly Gardens Elementary, Brantwood Elementary, Saville Elementary and Virginia Stevenson Elementary. This initiative was sponsored by Annette Marquardt-Kimball and the late Robert Marquardt in memory of Enid Marquardt.

AWARDS

In September 2018, The Susan K. Black Foundation recognized Chris Rowland's artwork with a third place award in the final Art Show at the annual Artist Rendezvous and Workshop in Dubois, Wyoming which welcomes the greatest wildlife artists in the world.

CONSERVATION ACTIONS

In 1995, Paul Knoop and Aullwood staff planted what became the Paul E. Knoop, Jr. Prairie on approximately 140 acres of airport property adjacent to Aullwood at the corner of Frederick Pike and U.S. 40 (National Road). This prairie is thriving and is one of the oldest reconstructed prairies in the State of Ohio. It attracts hundreds of resident and migratory birds and mammals, and thousands of species of insects, butterflies and bees each year.

Even more critical is the fact that it is flourishing on and protecting the watershed and aquifer for Wiles Creek and the many high quality wetlands that exist on Aullwood Audubon property. Wiles Creek runs through Aullwood and subsequently flows into Aullwood Garden MetroParks where it has been a central landscape element of this National Historic Landmark since Marie and John Aull originally purchased the property. It then empties into the Stillwater River, a designated State Scenic River.

This year, the City of Dayton and the Dayton International Airport identified the Paul E. Knoop, Jr. prairie as a development site for manufacturing. Over 17,000 individuals signed a petition to save the prairie and thus save the water source for Aullwood Audubon. The fight to preserve this endangered ecosystem and the environments that depend on it will continue until the prairie is preserved in perpetuity.

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BY THE NUMBERS

- 600 volunteers donated 21,552 hours for a value of \$548,067
- Over 120,000 people participated in Aullwood activities
- Aullwood's *Breeding Bird Census* recorded 49 species of nesting birds on our sanctuary
- 29 species of birds were identified during *Project FeederWatch* citizen science study
- 293 butterflies from 28 different species were identified during the *27th Annual NABA 4th of July Butterfly Census* at Aullwood



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FINANCES FISCAL YEAR 2019

Income: \$1,562,106

Endowment: \$879,614 (56%)

Special Events: \$115,345 (7%)

Contributions & Grants: \$273,871 (18%)

Admission & Tuition: \$114,736 (7%)

Membership: \$76,313 (5%)

Rentals: \$38,513 (2%)

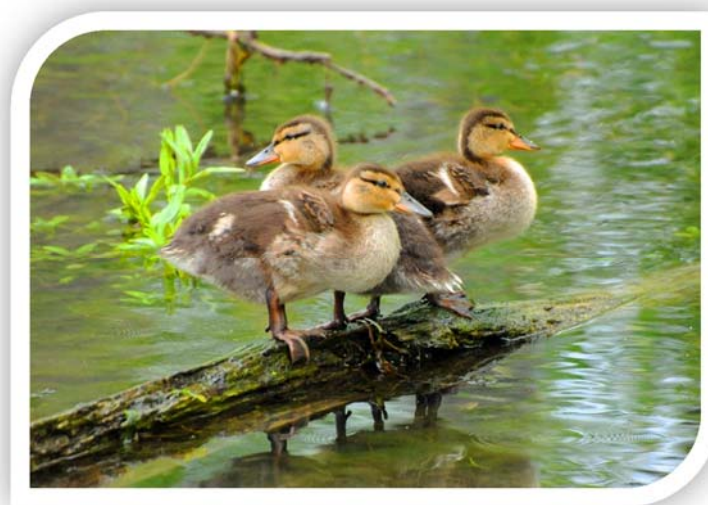
Store & Farm Sales: \$63,714 (4%)

Expenditures: \$1,562,106

Administration: \$432,703 (27.7%)

Program: \$865,407 (55.4%)

Land & Building: \$263,996 (16.9%)



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Special recognition goes to the following Aull Society members for their planned gifts which will benefit Aullwood Audubon:

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Your generosity provides vital resources enabling Aullwood to create innovative activities for children of all ages. All attempts have been made to ensure the accuracy of and completeness of this list. If your name has been omitted or listed incorrectly, please notify Aullwood at (937) 890-7360.

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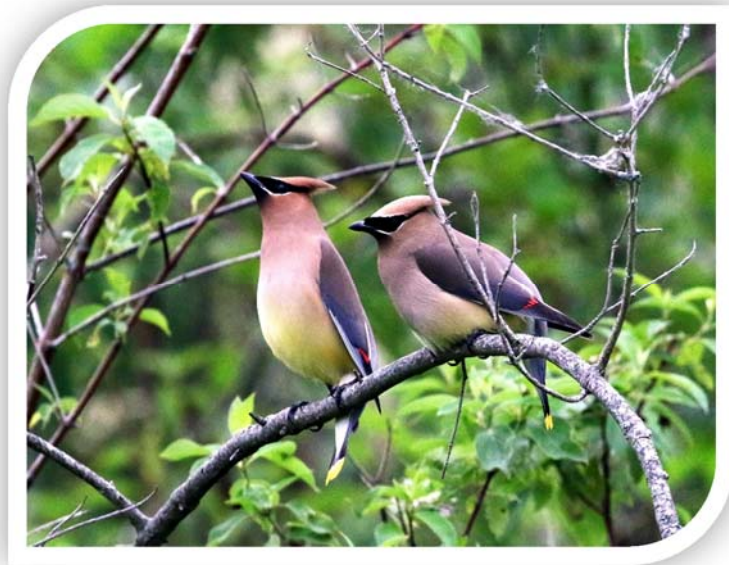


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