

2017 Annual Report



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Safeguarding Our Forests

Our 2017 program highlights included:

Stopping Harmful Legislation.

The Republican-controlled Congress proposed a number of harmful bills in 2017, including ones designed to undermine landmark environmental laws such as the Endangered Species Act and the National Environmental Policy Act. We worked successfully to keep these bills from becoming law.

Wildland Fire Management Reform.

FSEEE pursued a lawsuit designed to compel the Forest Service to plan ahead for fighting wildfires. We argued that agency officials should conduct environmental reviews of firefighting tactics that they know they will employ every fire season.

Ensuring National Forests are Open to All.

We noticed a troubling trend in 2017: The Forest Service keeps wide stretches of National Forests closed to the public long after wildfires are extinguished. We challenged those closures, especially where the closures included congressionally designated wilderness areas.

Combating the Militarization of National Forests.

FSEEE continued to monitor and challenge improper use of our National Forests for military training. We pursued

litigation against the Forest Service for issuing the Navy a special-use permit to conduct electronic warfare training on the Olympic National Forest in Washington state.

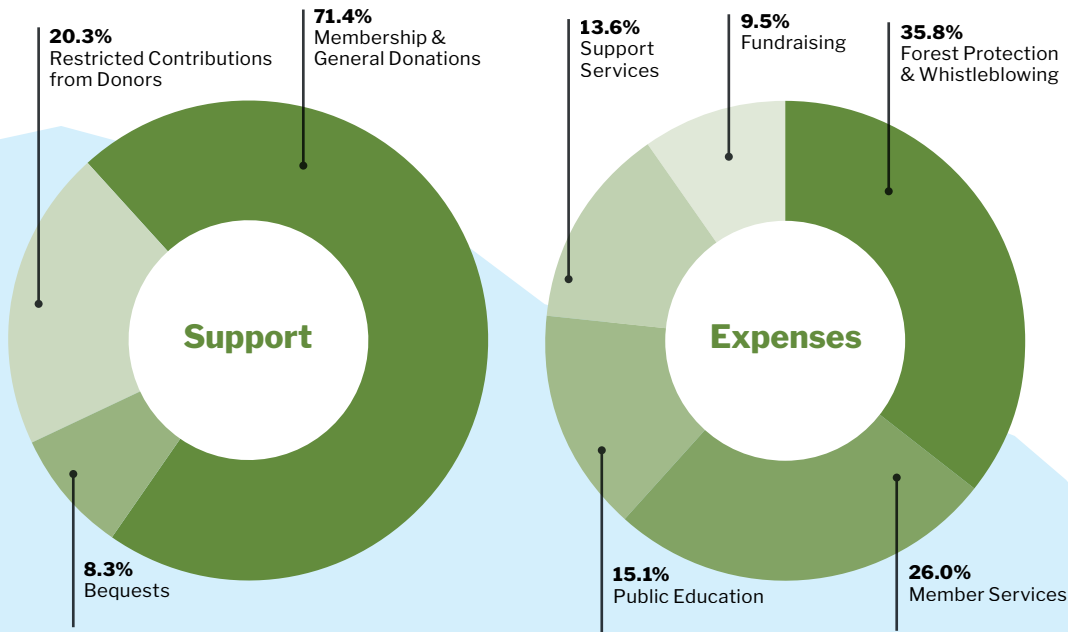
Educating the Public

One of FSEEE's core missions is to educate the public about issues affecting National Forests and other public lands. We responded to multiple requests for advice about a variety of environmental issues and concerns. We commissioned a new user-friendly website and posted dozens of original informational items about National Forest issues. We published three editions of our newsletter, Forest News, and distributed it in both print and electronic formats to more than 25,000 recipients. We utilized social media to alert our followers about a variety of issues.

Advocating Ethics

We continued our efforts to encourage those who work within the Forest Service to carry out their vital mission of managing our National Forests with the highest ethical standards. We counseled Forest Service employees who contacted us with concerns about work-related issues. We maintained a confidential tip line on our website that allowed federal employees to share their concerns without jeopardizing their employment.

2017 Financial Report



FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS:

Net Assets Beginning: \$450,600 | Net Assets Ending: \$378,425

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