

2021 Impact Report



A Year of "Ah-ha Moments" In Review

Summer Camp Roundup

Provided 10 weeks of summer camp building five boats with 40 campers who also learned to sail, row, and explore the gifts of the Willamette River in collaboration with Oregon Youth Sailing Foundation. Campers from Alliance H.S. at Meek, ELSO, POIC + RAHS/Blueprint Foundation, and iUrban Teen joined in the unique and memorable experience.

Return to the Classroom

We kicked back into gear with Metropolitan Learning Center 6th graders building a sailing Bevins Skiff. The other 2 programs that started late in the fall were high school programs that ran in our shop. Alliance H.S. at Meek commenced reverse engineering an Old Town rowboat and Youth Progress started a Colorado River Dory.

Math99 at PCC

Thanks to a grant from the National Science Foundation, Portland Community College and Wind & Oar co-developed a virtual makerspace mathematics lab course which ran for two semesters. The hands-on learning centered around our boat-making curriculum and was designed to broaden participation of underrepresented groups in STEM careers.

The Value of the Ilur

Staff and volunteers gained new professional skills completing the Francois Vivier designed Ilur. The Ilur is the second Vivier design built at the school and marks our 8th sponsored boat. The Ilur is featured in the Launchings section of the July/August 2022 WoodenBoat Magazine.



It's Bigger Than the Boat

Our work is powered by the belief that all children are capable of learning and thriving. Experiential, hands-on, project based education is essential for engaging and inspiring students.

There is so much left to do to transform our education system so that all youth can be the builders of their own lives.

Wind & Oar Boat School is dedicated to making that transformation a reality.



FOUNDERS' letter

2021 was a great year, full of firsts, with a glorious return to inside the classroom by fall.

After months of planning with the team at PCC, we initiated and refined a new kind of math class utilizing makerspace concepts. Our team also explored how this type of learning can be transported to conventional classrooms.

We expanded our summer camp program to 10 weeks and offered a credit recovery program to high school students for classes they missed during the Covid shut-down. This has since led to high school credit programs that run our of our shop. During the academic year, students can earn credits in multiple subjects.

The success of our summer programming has caught the attention of new partners. In 2020, we added POIC + RAHS/Blueprint Foundation, from which we drew our first student intern. We are currently running a 9 month-long class with Youth Progress, which engages foster students. In 2022, we will be adding IRCO.

With all this new activity, we found ourselves bursting at the seams and had to rent storage space for boats and an office/classroom space. It would appear that major growth is on the horizon, and for this, we thank all of our incredible supporters. We can't do this without you.

Best regards to all,

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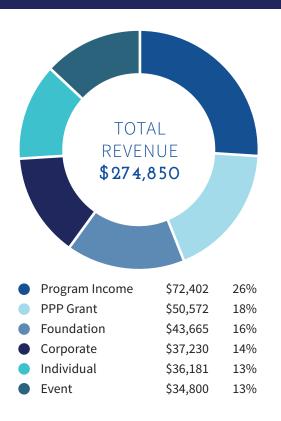
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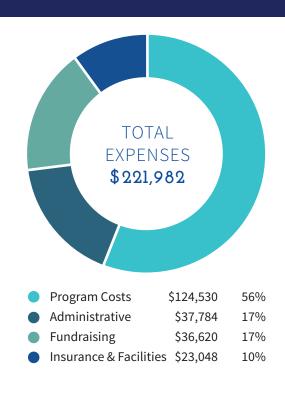
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Wind & Oar Boat School engages young people and inspires learning through the art, science, and craft of building wooden boats.



QUOTABLE

"I believe in the incredible outcomes of hands-on learning. I see their ability to apply math and science to real life through their curriculum, and I see the opportunity for kids to connect to their natural world through physically getting out on a boat as pretty darn special - a real memorable experience in the life of a young person that will impact their thoughts and actions as they grow older."

Bethany Shetterly Thomas, Co-founder of ECO in the Classroom and Earthday Oregon

Ways to Get Involved

We are always looking for community partners whether as volunteers, financial supporters, boat sponsors, board members, or simply program ambassadors.

If you believe in the power of youth to carry us forward into the future, there is a place for you in supporting Wind & Oar.

Visit us at windandoar.org or email info@windandoar.org. We'd love to connect!

Be on lookout for this year's fifth annual Root Beer Floatilla coming in September.



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