2017 Annual Report

Providing For Yosemite’s Future
Dear Friend of Yosemite

In this fast-paced age, Yosemite can feel like a timeless haven. When you place your hand on ancient rock, sit by a lake left by long-ago glaciers, or gaze up at thousand-year-old giant sequoias in newly restored Mariposa Grove, you can't help but slow down.

Yosemite always inspires us to pause and reflect — and we’re grateful for this opportunity to reflect on how supporters such as you play a central role in preserving this enduring place. Last year, with your help, we provided $11 million in total aid to Yosemite, through a combination of 39 new grants, high-quality visitor programs, volunteer efforts and more.

Some of the work you made possible in 2017 is highly visible: the new Washburn Trail taking shape near the South Entrance, newly planted pollinator-friendly flowers blooming in Yosemite Valley, kids sporting hard-earned Junior Ranger badges, and sturdy new canvas tents to house the Search and Rescue team in Camp 4.

In other cases, your support took shape in less traveled parts of the park, sending scientists to moonlit forests or remote peaks to observe rare owls and bighorn sheep; helping crews restore meadows, trails and lakeshores deep in the Yosemite Wilderness; and giving American-Indian students the chance to work with archeologists while unearthing ancient stories in the backcountry.

And sometimes, your support produced intangible but invaluable results, by inspiring people to explore and care about the natural world. Young people gained experience that could lead them to public lands careers, climbers learned about protecting the vertical wilderness, our 30 weeks of art classes helped people see Yosemite’s beauty in a new way, and thousands of visitors honed “Leave No Trace” skills during our 225 expert-led adventures.

Your support makes Yosemite more resilient today and ensures it will shine as a jewel in our national park system for years to come.

Bob Bennitt, Chair

Frank Dean, President
Donor-supported California Conservation Corps crews of 18- to 25-year-olds worked on more than 90 miles of park trails, from Yosemite Valley and Hetch Hetchy, to the remote wilderness.

As a Yosemite supporter, you play a vital role in ensuring a bright future for one of the world’s natural treasures. In 2017, your gifts helped park staff and volunteers revitalize habitat in Lyell Canyon, restore populations of threatened frogs and educate visitors about rock-climbing. Thanks to you, diverse kids, teens and young adults connected with Yosemite through field trips, internships and hands-on projects, and nearly 16,000 people deepened their park experiences through our theater, art and adventure programs.

These examples showcase just a few of the ways you helped Yosemite last year. Visit us online to learn more!
To “Keep It Wild” in the backcountry, restoration staff and volunteers covered more than 7,000 wilderness acres, while searching for and removing informal trails, invasive plants and fire rings.

Our wilderness team rented out bear-proof food canisters and processed more than 95,000 permits to help backpackers protect wildlife and habitat while exploring remote parts of the park.

We published six books, including two that earned national accolades: Big Walls, Swift Waters, about Yosemite Search and Rescue, and Where’s Rodney?, a picture book with inspiration for all ages.

More than 200 people participated in our volunteer programs in 2018, providing more than $400,000 in donated labor to Yosemite. Short-term volunteers pitched in on eight restoration projects, and our 95 monthlong volunteers helped more than half a million visitors.
Middle school students participating in Parks in Focus, one of nine Youth in Yosemite Programs you supported, captured more than 12,000 photos, while exploring nature through photography and stewardship projects.

The inaugural donor-funded No Limits Yosemite program brought 11 wheelchair athletes to the Valley to spend five days handcycling, scaling rock walls and learning from park rangers.

Wildlife teams surveyed mountains, wetlands and forests to observe animals in natural habitats. In Ackerson Meadow, they studied 1,220 songbirds, and documented rare owls, bats, reptiles and more.
Statement of Financial Position
As of Dec. 31, 2017

**ASSETS**

**Current Assets**
- Cash & Investments: $14,003,555
- Pledges, Receivables & Other Assets: $2,826,537
  
**Total Current Assets**: $16,830,092

- Pledges Receivable, Net of Current Portion: $658,661
- Deposits: $14,500
- Land Held for Future Use: $764,200
- Charitable Remainder Trust, Net: $350,250
- Charitable Gift Annuities: $133,516
- Property & Equipment, Net: $568,544

**Total Noncurrent Assets**: $2,489,671

**TOTAL ASSETS**: $19,319,763

**LIABILITIES**

**Current Liabilities**
- Accounts Payable & Accrued Expenses: $570,969
- Grants Payable to Yosemite National Park: $1,154,298

**Total Current Liabilities**: $1,725,267

**NET ASSETS**
- Unrestricted*: $12,516,165
- Temporarily Restricted: $4,064,622
- Permanently Restricted: $1,013,709

**Total Net Assets**: $17,594,496

**TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS**: $19,319,763

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*Reserves are maintained to meet future grant obligations to Yosemite National Park.

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**Support & Revenue**

**$16,558,360**

- **Visitor Services & Programs**: $837,327
- **Retail & Publishing**: $1,327,229
- **Investment Income & Other Revenue**: $454,994

**Contributions**: $13,938,810

- **Individuals**: $11,272,151
- **Cause-Related**: $1,331,716
- **Corporations**: $745,441

- **Foundations**: $414,940
- **Events**: $174,562
Statement of Activities

As of Dec. 31, 2017

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Retail & Publishing $1,327,229
Visitor Services & Programs $837,327
Investment Income & Other Revenue $454,994
TOTAL SUPPORT & REVENUE $16,558,360

FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

Program Services
Park Enhancements $7,222,224
Retail & Publishing $1,140,792
Visitor Services & Programs $2,324,776
Total Aid to Park $10,687,792

Support Services
Administrative $1,001,710
Fundraising $2,160,220
TOTAL EXPENSES $13,849,722

CHANGE IN NET ASSETS $2,708,638

NET ASSETS
Beginning of Year $14,885,858
End of Year $17,594,496

Aid to Yosemite National Park

$10,687,792

Retail & Publishing $1,140,792
Visitor Services & Programs $2,324,776

Park Enhancements $7,222,224

Cultural & Historic $183,611
Habitat Restoration $820,936
Scientific Research $176,402
Trail Repair & Access $692,506
Visitor Services & Education $730,237
Wildlife Management $441,589
Mariposa Grove Campaign $1,442,747
Other Pass-Thru Gifts & Grants $1,224,961
Grant Administration $1,509,235
Thank You, Donors

Yosemite Conservancy is extremely grateful to acknowledge the John Muir Heritage Society and Legacy Society individual donors, foundations, businesses and volunteers, who supported our work at a leadership level from Jan. 1, 2017, to Dec. 31, 2017, below. Donors of $25 and more are listed in the Honor Register or on the Honor Wall at the Valley Visitor Center in Yosemite National Park. Thanks to our generous donors, we are able to fulfill our mission to preserve and protect Yosemite National Park and enrich the visitor experience — today and for future generations.

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The John Muir Heritage Society is composed of individuals with a strong commitment to preserving and protecting Yosemite for the future by giving $1,000 and more each year.

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“Our family has a long history with Yosemite. The Conservancy is our best way to contribute to Yosemite’s future.”

— CARL GRUNSKY & JOAN PARKER
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“Yosemite Conservancy provides a way to contribute to conserving Yosemite National Park for the future, as well as to honor Abraham Lincoln’s groundbreaking act of conservation from the past.”

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