



Environmental Volunteers

Teaching kids to love science and nature!



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(Marine Ecology)



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(Bay Ecology)



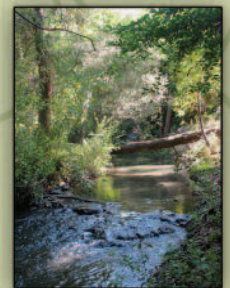
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Our Mission:

To promote understanding of and responsibility for the environment through hands-on science education.

Our Vision:

That all children will learn about and be inspired by the natural world so that they become responsible stewards of the Earth.

Our Road To Discovering The Natural World

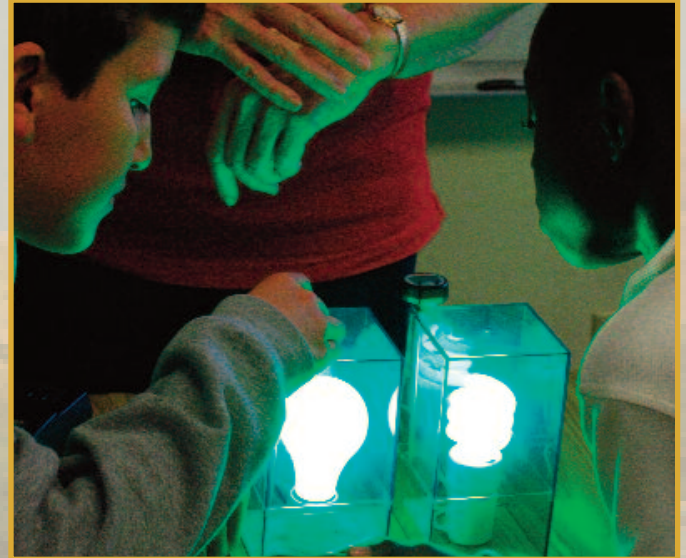
Joint Message from Board Chair and Executive Director

For the past 38 years the Environmental Volunteers has dedicated its efforts to educating children about the natural world. What keeps us focused is our vision: That all children will learn about and be inspired by the natural world so that they become responsible stewards of the Earth.

Since 1972 we have brought that vision to over 300,000 Bay Area children. In the last school year alone, the EV educated more than 13,000 K-8th grade children at 47 different elementary and middle schools in Santa Clara and San Mateo counties.

Why? Because we want them to care for and respect the Earth they will soon inherit. And while environmental awareness is growing, there is much educational work still to be done.

The theme of this annual report is “Impact,” and we invite you to learn more about our current activities. The following pages illustrate our impact on children, teachers, volunteers and the community, and how our efforts are making a positive difference.



We want to say “thank you” to our extraordinary volunteers, donors, and staff who contribute to accomplishing the EV’s mission. Our impacts and successes as an organization are a direct result of the invaluable support you provide. We thank you for being our partners in educating current and future stewards of the environment.

Allan Berkowitz
Executive Director

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2010 Program Highlights

Teachers Assisted in Meeting State Standards:	407	Number of Schools Served in Santa Clara County:	36
Low-Income Classrooms Served:	98	Percentage Increase in Teachers Assisted From 2009:	18.3%
Number of Schools Served In San Mateo County:	11		



All About Birds:

"Thank you for the great experience...students loved the bird presentation... and as many are limited English speakers this is great for their language development. The hands on experience will make a lasting effect on them. Your volunteers were wonderful and I look forward to having you back next year."

—Ms. Susan Brophy/ Grade 1 McCollam School

Early California Indian Life:

"Thank you so much for the wonderful morning you gave our fourth grade students. They loved the hands on activities and are still talking about them. Your generosity of spirit, time and knowledge is admirable and definitely helped drive home some important lessons to be learned from the Native Californians about taking care of our earth and ourselves. I know I for one will not look at rope, acorns, hides and deceptively simple games in the same way."

—Ms. Ruth Cady/ Grade 4 St. Joseph's School



Baylands and Marine Ecology:

"Thank you so much for kindly volunteering your time to our classroom. The experience you give them is invaluable. Many of them have never seen a view of the bay or the ocean! Getting them out and having them learn first hand is a priceless gift. I am honored to have worked with you again this year and I hope to continue the relationship in years to come."

—Ms. Angela Brandt / Grades 3 and 4 George Mayne Elementary

EV Impact on Community

At The EV, we meet our mission in a variety of ways. Though most of our work is with kids, we find ways to bring our message and mission to adults, too. Last year we developed several new programs that cast a wider net and allow us to reach new audiences in new ways.

Corporate Volunteer Days:

The EV facilitates fun volunteer work parties for corporate groups. Some of the groups we assisted included Motorola, PriceWaterhouseCooper, and KBAY radio station. Corporate work groups join us at the Palo Alto Baylands where they get a crash course in native and non-native plant ecology (why invasive non-natives are a problem and the benefits of native plants). Then they spend a few hours pulling out invasive plants. After they've worked up a sweat and generated 'charitable endorphins' (feeling good about doing good), we treat them to a baylands nature walk led by one of our wonderful volunteer docents. Know of a company who might be interested? Let them know about us. We'd love to help them help the baylands.

Bringing The Village Together to Raise A Child's Science Education:

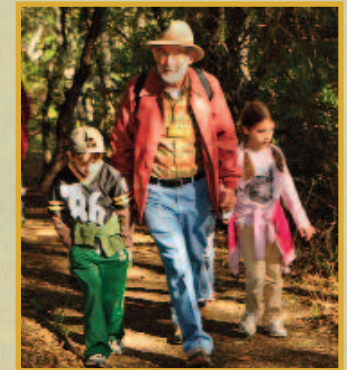
The EV is at the forefront of a wonderful project. Working with the Mountain View-Whisman School District, we are helping to develop a large-scale collaboration that is bringing together multiple environmental education non-profits and increasing science education hours in Mountain View schools. The program is serving every 4th and 5th grade classroom at every school in the district. Our goal is to increase science education hours for students by leveraging the collective services of many science

education non-profit organizations. Collectively we can deliver more hours of instruction without any one organization needing to increase its resources and capacity. By working with the school district leadership, we are able to impact a whole community in a resource efficient manner.

Passport To Adventure

Going Beyond the Classroom: We are trying to impact the families of the students who participate in our programs. Two projects allow us to do just that. The first is a simple list of follow-up questions that teachers send home to parents following our program. The questions are meant to inspire conversation around the dinner table about the subject their student studied with us. With a link to our website, parents and students can find out the answers if they are stumped.

The second program is called "Passport To Adventure." Staged on a weekend in a local park, families visit a series of learning stations where they participate in educational activities. At each station their 'adventure passport' is stamped and the goal is to fill up the passport. Of course, the real goal is for parents and children to learn environmental science together.



Leveraging Our Community Investment

Statement of Financial Position: June 30, 2010

ASSETS

Current Assets	
Cash	\$136,452
Investments:	
Operating Account	150,001
Building Account	82,989
Accounts receivable	1,820
Pledges receivable	96,532
Prepaid expenses	7,352
Total Current Assets	475,146
Investments - Endowment	180,897
Pledges Receivable - Long-Term	11,578
Lease deposits	6,410
Property and Equipment, Net	13,835
Construction In Progress -	1,981,369
Total Assets	\$2,669,235

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Current Liabilities:	
Accounts payable	\$6,749
Accrued vacation	17,751
Deferred Revenues	21,121
Other accrued expenses	1,291
Funds held for education consortium	10,000
Total Current Liabilities	56,912
Net Assets:	
Unrestricted	2,184,113
Temporarily restricted	211,153
Permanently restricted	217,057
Total Net Assets	\$2,612,323
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$2,669,235

Our Volunteers...Our Most Cherished Assets!

Thanks to our Volunteers

Thanks to these volunteers who have dedicated their time and passion to the Environmental Volunteers in a variety of ways throughout the year. You are the heart and soul of the EV!

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EV Impact on Students

Since 1972 The Environmental Volunteers has been teaching natural science to children in our community using a hands on, small group educational philosophy. Our programs nurture a connection to the environment and spark a long interest in the joy of discovery while at the same time providing science education to under-resourced schools to assist them in their efforts to meet state mandated standards. In 2010 our educational programs reached over 13,000 students through more than 400 Classroom programs and 100 Field Trips.

2010 Program Highlights

Classroom Programs	407
Field Trips:	100
Students Participating In Educational Programs:	13,559
% Increase in Students Participating from 2009:	24.5%
Education Programs Delivered by Subject:	
Foothill Ecology:	111
Earthquake Geology:	64
Bay Ecology:	55
Early California Indians:	56
Energy and Natural Resources:	30
Nature in your Neighborhood:	87
Water Science and Conservation:	33
All About Birds:	35
Marine Ecology:	36



Water Science

"I really found it interesting that water has a very thin but flexible skin... You know, I don't think I knew one thing you taught me before I sat down on a chair in your group. After writing this I hope I've convinced you to do this again next year."

—Daughty / Grade 5

Earthquake Geology:

"Your rock game was so fun and educational. Before this I never knew there was such a thing as a rock cycle.....Without you, how would I know? This is what happens when there is a hybrid between fun and learning!"

—Derek / Grade 4



Water Conservation:

"I am thankful that you took the time to teach us about our planet's water. I really enjoyed the hands on experiments.....my favorite was the magnet molecules. I could have played with those for a while. It's very hard for me to leave a cool looking contraption just sitting there. You let us touch everything!

You answered when we asked you a question and the stuff you showed us was interesting. So basically I'm saying that you rule!

—Simon / Grade 5

Marine Ecology:

"My favorite part was the squid dissection. I learned not only why, but how marine life does what it needs to do and this was a pleasant change from reading out of a textbook. All in all it was a nice, messy and fun way to learn."

All About Birds

Baylands Ecology

Early California Indian Life:

An Environmental Focus

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