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Coastal Federation  
*Working Together for a Healthy Coast*

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# 2015 ANNUAL REPORT

Our spectacular coast is the envy of the world. Nearly 35 years ago the North Carolina Coastal Federation went to work to keep it that way.

We are proud of our track record engaging people of all walks of life to keep our coast a great place to live, work and play. We work in communities coastwide from three regional offices, providing award-winning advocacy, education and habitat restoration at over 20 active sites. Even as we've grown, we continue to use your donations carefully, with 94 cents of every dollar going directly to programming.

The federation continues to lead the way on restoring our native oysters and offering proactive trainings on low-impact development and environmentally friendly shoreline stabilization strategies, while also protecting our coast from threats like offshore oil. Support from our members allows us to achieve victories like these and ensure effective stewardship of our coast.

Thank you for your support!

*Todd Miller*

Todd Miller, Executive Director

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*Membership and donations support our work protecting and restoring our beautiful coast. We appreciate each and every supporter. Special thanks to the following donors who gave at recognition levels in 2015.*

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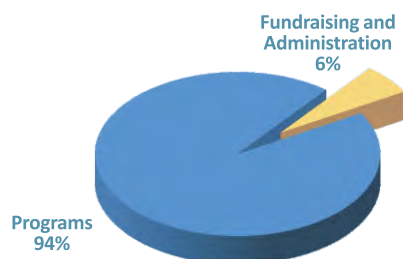
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## PUBLIC SUPPORT

Memberships . . . . .	\$204,017
Donations . . . . .	\$256,405
Events Net. . . . .	\$98,638
Grants . . . . .	\$2,911,780*
Rental Income . . . . .	\$4,460
Investment Income . . . . .	-\$26,616
Miscellaneous . . . . .	\$4,474
<b>TOTAL GRANTS. . . . .</b>	<b>\$3,453,259*</b>
<b>and REVENUES</b>	

\* Includes \$1,894,955 in grant funds that passed through the federation to pay local contractors and vendors to complete on-the-ground projects, trainings and other work.

## HOW WE SPENT YOUR DONATIONS

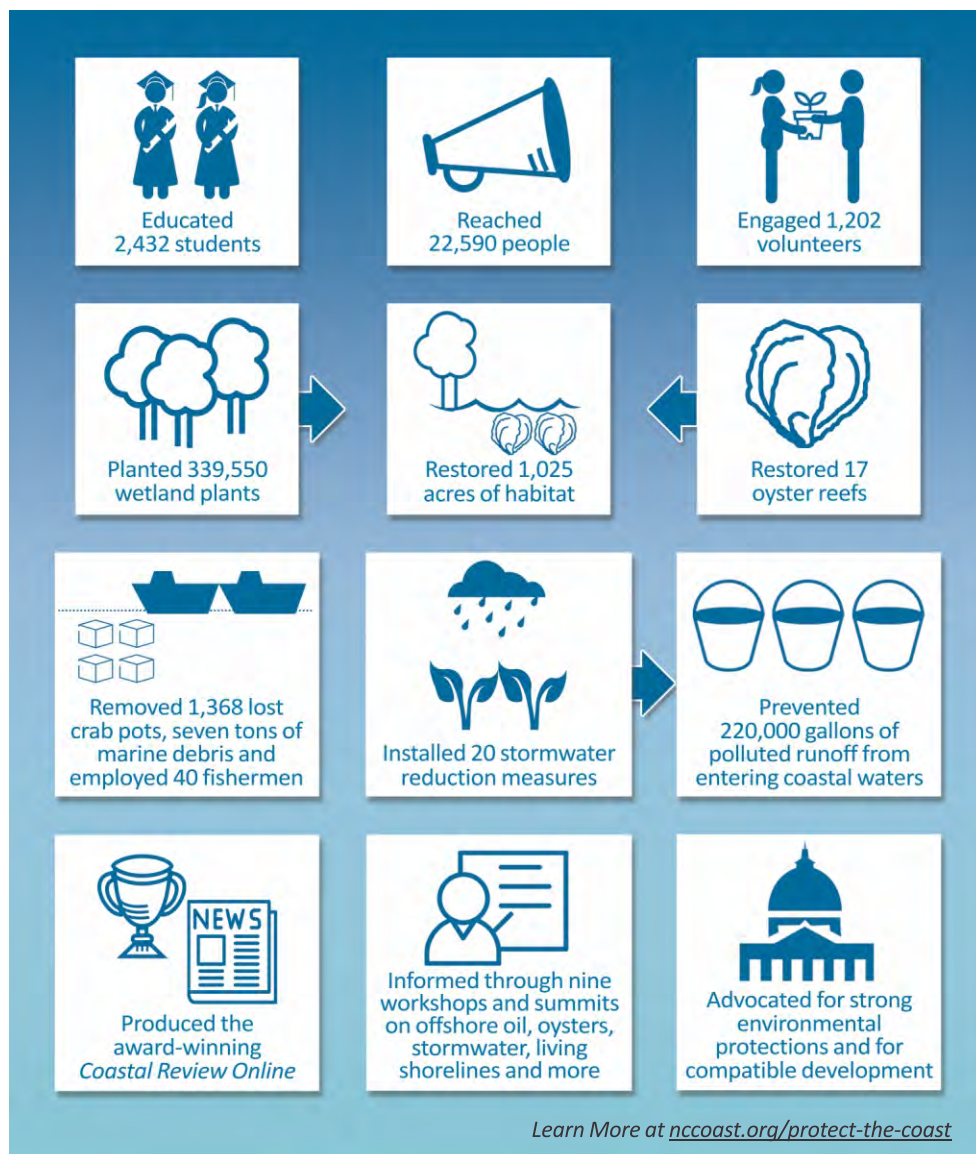


Program . . . . .	\$3,649,306
Fundraising & Admin. . . . .	\$231,750
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES . . . . .</b>	<b>\$3,881,056*</b>

\* Includes grant expenses reimbursed in 2016.

## 2015 Summary of Major Accomplishments

The North Carolina Coastal Federation is the state's only nonprofit organization focused exclusively on protecting and restoring the coast of North Carolina through education, advocacy and habitat preservation and restoration. In 2015, we:



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## The Coastal Federation's work in 2015 was supported by the following grants of \$100,000 or more:

- Campbell Foundation, supporting the federation's habitat restoration, advocacy and education programs.
- The Educational Foundation of America, to oppose the proposed Titan Cement Plant on the northeast Cape Fear River and provide a model for identifying and supporting compatible industry.
- N.C. Department of Environmental Quality to implement on-the-ground stormwater and low-impact development projects, provide trainings for developers and draft restoration plans for priority watersheds.
- N.C. Department of Justice Environmental Division to restore and monitor three acres of tidal wetlands at the North River Wetlands Preserve in Carteret County.
- Fred and Alice Stanback, Jr., supporting the federation's habitat restoration, advocacy and education programs.
- U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service to facilitate NRCS's wetland restoration efforts coastwide, resulting in more habitat restoration in North Carolina
- Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation, supporting the federation's habitat restoration, advocacy and education programs.

