

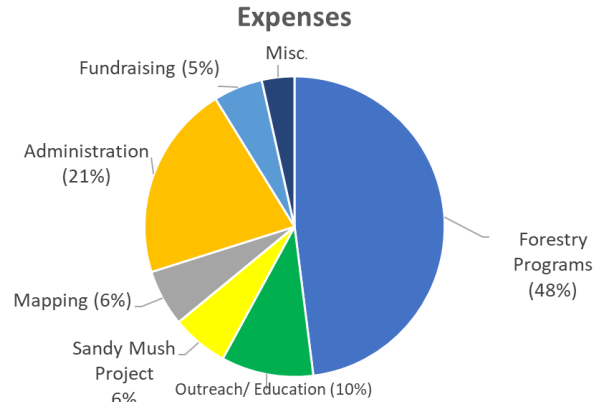
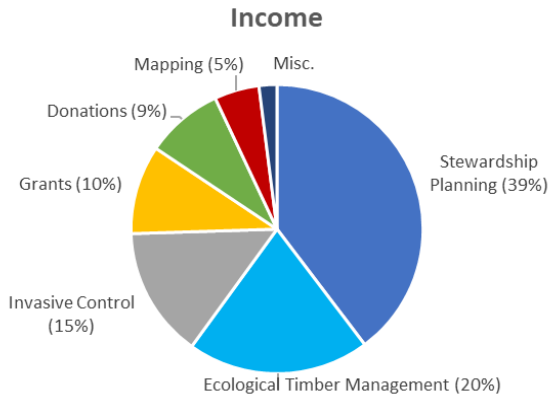


EcoForesters

Forestry. Conservation. Education.

Annual Report 2019

EcoForesters is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit forestry organization dedicated to conserving and restoring Appalachian forests.



DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Our region is home to one of the most biodiverse forests in the world and most of it is owned by private landowners. Our goal is to help landowners make wise forestry decisions that will improve forest health and secure their forest legacy. We are breaking the mold for forestry and calling attention to the natural benefits that must be valued and supported through planning. In 2019 our Sandy Mush project and landowner tours resulted in an increase in stewardship and landowner engagement. We could not do the good work we are accomplishing on the ground without the support of conservation minded people like you.

IMPACT

- Controlled invasive species on permanently protected land trust properties
- Prepared the stewardship plan for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
- Engaged the Sandy Mush community in the need for forest stewardship
- Organized and led landowner tours that shared ecologically beneficial forestry and resulted in stewardship plans and invasive species control
- Participated in the collaborative planning process for the Pisgah and Nantahala National Forests



126k

Total Acres covered by Forest Stewardship Plans to date

21k

Landowners reached in 2019

69%

Of forests are privately owned in Western North Carolina

24%

Of North Carolina private forestland owners have a management plan

Please contact EcoForesters to support our mission or to learn more about securing your forest legacy.

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