

Friends of Merrymeeting Bay 2004 Accomplishments

Media	Print: Approximately 24 articles: <i>Archaeology, Education, DEP Enforcement, Caged Mussels, Land Conservation, Dam Removal, Fish Restoration, American Eel kills</i>
Volunteers	Minimum 300 volunteer days 123 volunteers
Membership	340 members [72 new members this year] Speaker Series - 150 people Outside 2004 [Paddle Series & Walks -49 people] Newsletters - 4
Funds Leveraged	\$73,000 [land acquisition]
Grants	\$10,000 [staff], \$50,000 [Current Study](\$22,000 in 04, balance in 05)
Outreach Presentations	Androskoggin Source to the Sea Trek-14 people Gulf of Maine Sea Kayak Symposium-6 people Maine Wastewater Association Training Conference-30 people Western Maine Audubon-30 people Kennebec Historic Waterway Conference-participant Toxics Action Center Conference-participant/display Portland Neighborhood Coalition Conference-40 people
Education	Two Bay Days [320 students] Hall-Dale on the Bay [80 students] Curriculum Binder; increased distribution School Visits-22 [520 students] Web site updates

- Conservation and Stewardship** Total Protected – 191 acres, 8,000' of shoreline
- Acquisitions [with Maine Wetlands Protection Coalition] Umberhind - 96 acres, 5200' Abbagadassett R. shoreline, in Bowdoinham
 - Easements One easement, 70 acres, 1300'of shoreline-Kennebec; 1500' of shoreline-Chops Creek, plus 25 acres tidal wetland, Woolwich
 - Stewardship All easements monitored

Research Completed & released Caged Mussel reports on Kennebec & Androskoggin
East Brunswick Archaeological Dig with Bowdoin College & MHPC
Coordinated on Invasive Plant project with The Nature Conservancy
Water Quality Monitoring – 16 sites

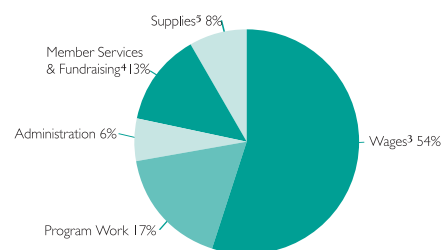
- Advocacy (postings, letters, testimony, etc)**
- Speed Limit Signs
 - Merrymeeting Bay Wildlife Sanctuary Signs
 - Land for Maine's Future
 - American Eel Protection
 - Dioxin Monitoring Program/Surface Water Ambient Toxics Program
 - Fort Halifax Dam Removal [Federal Energy Regulatory Commission]
 - Gardiner Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades
 - Fish Consumption Advisories
 - Hydro Power Alternatives Analyses
 - Gulf Island Pond
 - Toxic Release Inventory
 - Redrock Wilderness Act
 - Kennebec Gravel Mining
 - USFWS Salmon Hatchery Support
 - Utah Wilderness Coalition
 - Center for Environmental Health & Justice
 - Bowdoinham Float Plane Dock
 - USFWS Gulf of Maine Coastal Program
 - Brunswick Aquifer Protection Zone

Primary Partners

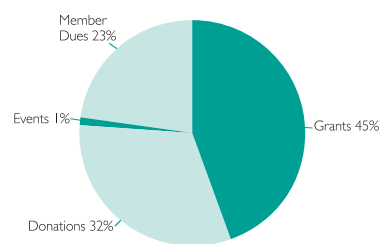
- The Nature Conservancy
- Bowdoin College Environmental Studies
- Department of Environmental Protection
- Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife
- US Fish and Wildlife Service
- Maine Natural Areas Program
- Department of Marine Resources
- Friends of Casco Bay
- Maine Toxics Action Coalition
- Applied Biomonitoring
- International Paper
- SAPPI
- Gardiner Wastewater Treatment Plant
- Maine Rivers
- Maine Historic Preservation Commission
- Environment Canada
- Maine Coast Heritage Trust
- Maine Wetlands Protection Coalition
- Patagonia Outlet, Freeport
- Grand View Neighborhood Group
- Land Trust Alliance
- Maine Eco
- Androskoggin Alliance
- Friends of Kennebec Salmon
- Maine Maritime Museum

2004 Financials

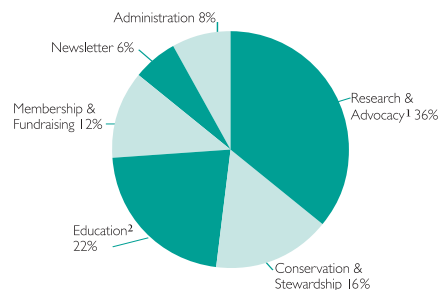
Expenses (\$34,361)



Income (\$60,645)



Volunteer Energy (3000 hours) (includes Chair, committee, & all other vols.)



1 Includes archaeological dig & water quality testing
 2 Includes Bay Days
 3 Staff time went to 35% program work; 33% membership, outreach & fundraising; 22% admin (inc. setting up new computer and database); 10% newsletter.

4 Includes quarterly newsletter printing and postage
 5 Includes new computer