



Galiano  
Conservancy  
ASSOCIATION

CELEBRATING

1989 30 2019

years



# ANNUAL REPORT 2019





In 2019, the Galiano Conservancy Association marked its 30th anniversary. At the same time that we were celebrating this milestone of longevity, however, 2019 was also a year of change and renewal. We entered 2020 with a new executive director, a new board chair, and working from a beautiful new office space. As in the forest ecosystems we work to protect, these cycles of renewal can be challenging at times, but are vital for keeping the organization fresh and focused on our long term mission.

We are so thankful to Keith, our outgoing Executive Director, for his twenty years of service and leadership. Many thanks also to Risa, who stepped down as board chair in 2019, but whose guidance and wisdom we are very lucky to retain on the board. They are mighty cedars under whose protection our organization continues to grow.

I'm also delighted to welcome and thank Chessi, our former board member and new Executive Director, who I hope will forgive me for describing him as a sapling sprouted and deeply rooted in Galiano's soil. I am confident that the GCA will continue to thrive under his leadership.

Not to miss the forest for the trees: we are most grateful of all to the many, many people who together form the ecosystem that is the GCA. Thanks to our wonderful staff; to our members; to our foundation, governmental and corporate funders; and to our donors, Walkalong participants, and Giving Circle members, who have so generously supported us.

It takes a forest of islanders to protect an island's forests. We hope you will continue to support us for many cycles of renewal to come.

Avi Bryant

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Gifts from Jan 1, 2019 - December 31, 2019

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A special thank you to Christine Lintott Architects Inc. for their design and planning support of our Program Centre, Jeremy Arsenaault of IMG Trades Services for building our Program Centre, Viridian Energy Cooperative for their work on our solar project, Brian Zaporozan from Twin Maple Industrial Tanks for the donation of a 5,000 gal water tank, Travis Beaulieu for ongoing IT support and to Far and Wide Marketing for their design and layout support of GCA publications.

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### WALKALONG 2019

Our sincere appreciation to our 7th Annual Walkalong for Learning supporters, over 230 walkers and 154 donors! Thank you, together we raised \$22,500 for environmental education.

\*A note to our supporters: We appreciate your generous donations to the Galiano Conservancy Association, and we want to recognize everyone accordingly with 100% accuracy. If we have inadvertently made an error, please contact the GGA at 250.539.2424 with concerns or corrections.

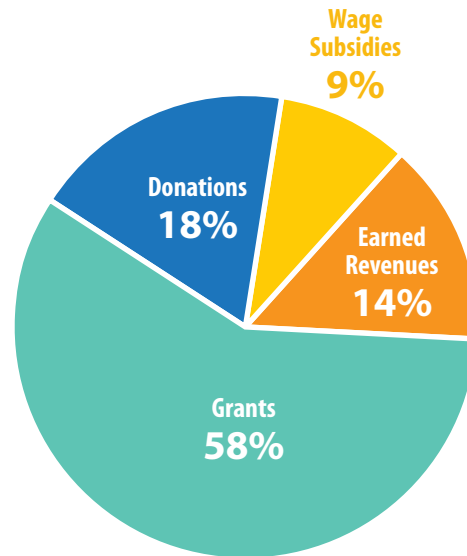


# FINANCIAL LANDSCAPE FOR 2019

In 2019 we constructed and moved our office into the new Program Centre at the MLC. Higher total revenues in 2019 compared to 2018 reflect a 50% increase in grant funding, thanks largely to grants received for the construction of our new office building. The relocation of our office to the MLC resulted in short-term higher costs (moving expenses and staff time) and long-term lower overhead (no rent or electricity costs going forward). The financial benefits of this transition will continue to be realized in future years.

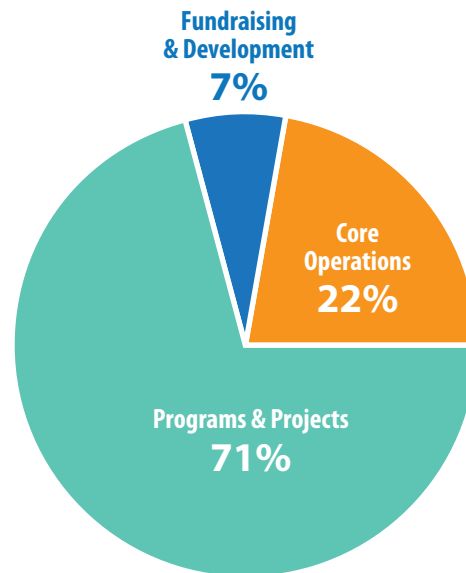
**Revenue** (excludes deferred income from 2018 residential property sale)

|                        |                    |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| Grants                 | \$ 418,924.        |
| Wage Subsidies         | \$ 64,058.         |
| Donations              | \$ 131,871.        |
| <u>Earned Revenues</u> | <u>\$ 103,837.</u> |
| <b>Total Revenue</b>   | <b>\$ 718,690.</b> |



**Expenses** (does not include capital additions or debt repayment)

|                           |                    |
|---------------------------|--------------------|
| Programs & Projects       | \$ 418,692.        |
| Fundraising & Development | \$ 42,092.         |
| <u>Core Operations</u>    | <u>\$ 132,445.</u> |
| <b>Total Expenses</b>     | <b>\$ 593,229.</b> |



**NET REVENUE** \$ 125,461.

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# PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

## Learning & Outreach

- **62** hands-on programs delivered to **1,571** participants (69% regional and 31% local community)
- **15** new groups recruited
- **33** bursaries given out for a total of **\$23,500**, eight to local school/community, 25 to off-island groups
- **10** youth internships and student placements
- **3** graduate-level research partnerships
- **6** intern volunteers with a total of **1610** volunteer hours

### New programs & workshops:

- Native Plants Inspiration Grades 6-8
- Renewable Energy in Action Program Grades 6-8
- Compost Education
- Feed the People - Deer Conservation and Processing
- Teachers Pro-D Camp

## MLC Infrastructure & Sustainability

- Built and moved the GCA office and library into our new **104 m<sup>2</sup>** Program Centre building, which is powered by solar and designed with energy efficiency and firesmart best practices in mind
- Shower and washroom facilities completed at classroom building
- **2** air-to-air heat pumps installed, one at each building
- **2** electric vehicle charging stations installed at MLC parking area
- Added **70,000 L** of rainwater storage
- Established Bioswales at Program Centre
- Net electricity used: **0 kW**

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## Ecological Restoration

- **8** permanent deer-browse monitoring plots (10 m<sup>2</sup>) established (4 exclosed, 4 open)
- Restored **1600 m<sup>2</sup>** of clearcut at new Program Centre with help of a diploma student who used the area design as their final project
- Controlled invasive species in **20 ha** of sensitive habitat
- Monitored **6** active restoration sites
- Maintained treatments and programs at the **.5 ha** Nuts'a'maat Forage Forest

## Land Protection

- Monitored **10** conservation covenants totaling **217 ha** of protected land
- Managed **7** GCA owned protected areas totaling **192 ha**
- Maintained **12 km** of public trails and added signage to all MLC trails

## Permaculture & Forest Garden

- Established a new nursery annex sales area for an expanded nursery stock and selection
- Compost Education Hot Spot built
- Over **118** volunteers totalling **226** volunteer hours in the Nuts'a'maat Forage Forest
- Over **320** participants in tours, programs and workshops
- **45** Harvests and deliveries to local restaurants, caterers and markets

## Marine Conservation

- **8** cameras monitored fishing pressure in Rockfish Conservation Areas bordering Galiano over **16** weeks. **2.8%** of days had fishing incidence, a large reduction from **13.7%** in 2018
- **4** conservancy partners involved in Gulf Islands kelp habitat mapping initiative, part of the GCA-led Cetacean Conservation Project. **13** kelp beds mapped in 2019
- **975** people informed about cetacean and rockfish conservation through public outreach at **9** events

