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2021 ANNUAL REPORT



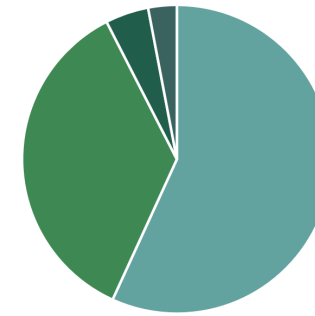
OUR MISSION

Initially founded to protect America's farmland from natural disasters after the Great Dust Bowl Era, Warren County Soil and Water Conservation District (Warren Co SWCD) has been a leader in environmental conservation for nearly 80 years. Our mission is to promote wise stewardship of natural resources through cooperative partnerships, educational programs, and technical assistance in land and water management.



FINANCIAL SUMMARY

RECEIPTS



TOTAL \$1,082,590

EXPENSES

Personnel	713,676
Equipment & Supplies	42,578
Education & Information Expenses	20,025
Contracts, Rentals, and Service Fees	93,154
Liability & Insurance	10,222
Products & Materials for Resale	18,788
Other	33,067

TOTAL \$931,511

2021 SUCCESS HIGHLIGHTS

DAGMAR THE DRAGONFLY DEBUTES WITH HER MACRO MOBILE

2021 saw the addition of Warren Co SWCD's newest ambassador, Dagmar the Dragonfly, and her magical Macro Mobile, to help the public--especially the next generation of conservationists--better understand issues surrounding water quality and natural resource management. Dagmar has graced community events and education programs sharing her important role as an indicator species and assisting children and families seek and find macroinvertebrates hidden in the depths of the stream that wraps around her trusty transport.

FUTURE CONSERVATIONIST CAMP KICKS OFF

Warren Co SWCD is a nationally recognized leader in providing exceptional environmental education experiences, and our work in 2021 was no exception. We kicked off Future Conservationist Camp, a week-long experience for 30 children (ages 9 to 12) to learn about wildlife, pollinators, prairies, forests, streams, and the wealth of natural resources that make Warren County what it is today. Campers made observations just like field scientists while playing games and participating in hands-on learning that introduced core tenets of environmental conservation.

CAESAR CREEK COLLABORATIVE HOSTS PICKIN' AT THE PARK TO SUPPORT LAND OWNERS

In 2021, the Caesar Creek Collaborative (CCC) celebrated the success of Pickin' at the Park, a community event and music festival held to build awareness of environmental concerns in the Caesar Creek Watershed in order to improve and maintain the water quality and soil health of the Caesar Creek Lake and its surrounding region. Agricultural producers and landowners within the watershed were invited to discuss best management practices that could be implemented on their land as well as how the CCC can help secure funding to offset or cover the cost of these practices.

STORMWATER PROTECTION TEAM EMPOWERS HOMEOWNERS WITH LAUNCH OF BASIN INSPECTION MAP

Warren Co SWCD unveiled a new basin inspection map on our website, www.warrenswcd.com, to the public in October 2021. Going forward, property owners and managers will be able to access their basin inspection reports at any time. Now instead of receiving letters with lists of issues, basin owners can get a more complete picture of the stormwater control features of their property, helping them understand what their basins are, where they are located, and how to manage these features.



2021 BY THE NUMBERS



200,000 residents

provided resources, technical assistance, and floodplain information to aid in backyard conservation, agricultural production, and land management



1,500 stormwater basins & 500 outfall structures

inspected for pollutants to help keep Ohio's waterways clean



2,000 inspections

completed of active construction sites to ensure appropriate stormwater protection protocols



15,000 students & youth

reached through virtual and in-classroom education programming