



Earthwatch Annual Report

Earthwatch connects people
with scientists worldwide to
conduct environmental research
and empowers them with the
knowledge they need to
conserve the planet.

From Our President

As we reflect on the year's journey, it's clear that effective change is rooted not just in robust data but in the trust, dedication, and unwavering commitment shared among our incredible community. These are the pillars of Earthwatch's time-tested model, where scientists and volunteers work beside and learn from local leaders to build long-lasting partnerships in pursuit of solutions to the environmental challenges threatening the planet.

In 2023, half of Earthwatch's 28 expeditions surpassed 10 years of research, six were well into their second decade, and our longest-running expedition, *Costa Rican Sea Turtles*, completed its 32nd year! Expedition participation grew by 10 percent, and together, hard-working Earthwatch volunteers conducted over 44,000 hours of research—the equivalent of over five years' worth of important data collection.

Earthwatch's "science at home" programs continued to provide a worthwhile alternative for those looking to participate in community-based conservation activities without undertaking long-distance travel. Global Pollinator Watch, which seeks to better understand the sudden, rapid decline of pollinator insects around the world, surpassed 500,000 observations and 22,000 species identified.

Persistence, trust, and dedication guided us as we navigated uncharted waters during the pandemic and still today.

We continue to adapt and respond to shifts in volunteer interests, international travel challenges, and emerging conservation priorities, while balancing the needs of our scientists and staff within an increasingly stretched budget. We were pleased to welcome new Board Member Chris Dymond and his international finance expertise this past year to support these efforts.

In a time of accelerating global change, Earthwatch's work is more important than ever. We are committed to engaging a diverse audience to propel impactful public science and education. Our mission drives us to support healthy ecosystems and foster sustainable communities globally through rigorously evaluated research. However, our ambitions can only stretch as far as our donor and volunteer support will carry us. Whether joining an expedition or contributing through donations, your involvement is the cornerstone of our collective success. **Thank you for your continued support.**



Gitte Venicx,
President & CEO



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2023 Program Highlights



EARTHWATCH FIELDLED

162

RESEARCH TEAMS



IN
19

COUNTRIES



4,018

EARTHWATCH
PARTICIPANTS



86

PUBLICATIONS

Earthwatch projects yielded
**86 peer-reviewed research
publications in 2023.**



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EXPEDITIONS'
FIRST
RESEARCH
SEASONS
CONCLUDED

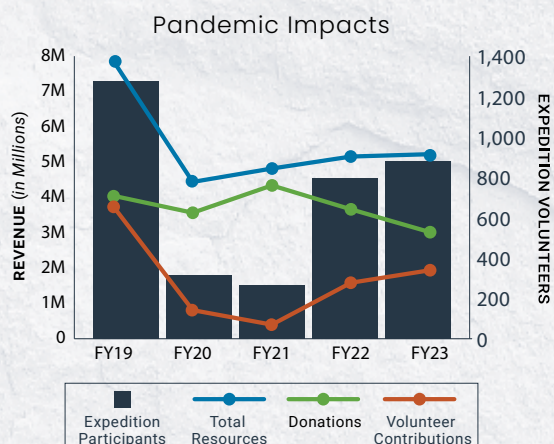


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DOCTORAL DISSERTATIONS
& MASTERS THESES COMPLETED

Financial Summary

This Annual Report contains the U.S.-based 2023 financial results of the 501(c)(3) Earthwatch Institute (Oct. 1, 2022–Sep. 30, 2023). In addition to the financials outlined here, Earthwatch has licensee operations in the U.K., Japan, and Australia, which report their financials according to local requirements. U.S. Audited Financial Statements and U.S. Form 990 may be viewed on our website at earthwatch.org/about/annual-report.



Operating Revenue and Expenses for Earthwatch U.S.		
	FY 2023	FY 2022
Incoming Resources	\$5,167,725	\$5,075,121
Grants, Partnerships and Unrestricted	\$2,955,107	\$3,587,070
Volunteer Contributions	\$1,877,704	\$1,570,419
Other	\$334,914	(\$82,368)
Resources Expended	\$5,377,705	\$5,329,126
Program Expenses	\$4,122,372	\$4,089,558
General and Administrative	\$880,014	\$899,612
Fundraising	\$375,319	\$339,956
Net (Incoming Resources)	(\$209,980)	(\$254,005)
End of Year Net Assets	\$3,854,527	\$4,968,212



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CALLING ALL

CLIMATE CHAMPIONS!

Calling all adventurers, dreamers, and nature lovers—your chance to become a climate champion is here! At Earthwatch, we're not just about exploring the world; we're about protecting it. Our expeditions empower YOU to make a real difference in conservation efforts across the globe. Ready to embark on a journey that will change your life and the planet? Join us and be part of something bigger!

