



**Crystal Springs**  
PARTNERSHIP

**2016 Fundraising Appeal**  
December 16, 2016

Dear Crystal Springs Supporter:

We're writing to ask you to help the Crystal Springs Partnership build on our successes in 2016 and launch us into an even better 2017.

Thanks to the efforts of our organization and our partners:

- Native salmon have returned to spawn in Westmoreland Park.
- Continuing volunteer projects allow community members to have a stake in the success of restoration projects by planting native plants, weeding, and mulching.
- Ongoing projects, such as mussel and macroinvertebrate surveys, allow the community to take part in citizen science projects in their own neighborhood.

2016 was a busy year along the creek. Some of the Partners' accomplishments include:

- Culvert replacement projects completed, opening the entire creek to salmon passage
- Coordination, with the assistance of the Johnson Creek Watershed Council and other Partners, of the highly successful third annual Westmoreland Park Salmon Celebration. More than 10,000 attendees were present at the event, which was produced jointly with Sunday Parkways.
- Publication of a brand-new edition of the Crystal Springs Creek Walking Tour map
- Education, monitoring macroinvertebrates, and rescuing freshwater mussels, in coordination with the Xerces Society
- Organization of monthly stewardship projects at a number of sites along the creek including Reed Canyon, Eastmoreland Golf Course, Westmoreland's Union Manor, Westmoreland Park, and the Brannen Property Natural Area (21<sup>st</sup> and Umatilla).

2017 should also be very busy for the Partnership. Some of the activities planned include:

- Continued organization of monthly stewardship projects along the creek
- Rescue and relocation of freshwater mussels during bridge repair at McLoughlin Blvd., in coordination with the Xerces Society
- Production of an online virtual walking tour with the Bureau of Environmental Services
- Organization of the 4th annual Westmoreland Park Salmon Celebration. The event will be held in collaboration with Sunday Parkways, but this year the Partnership will assume a larger role, including taking the lead in fundraising efforts. Your support will be critical to moving forward.

## **DONATING**

Thanks to the fiscal sponsorship of the Johnson Creek Watershed Council, we are now able to take fully tax-deductible donations. To contribute by mail, please make your check out to the **Johnson Creek Watershed Council**, being sure to put ***Crystal Springs Partnership*** on the memo line. Mail checks to:

Crystal Springs Partnership, c/o Johnson Creek Watershed Council  
1900 SE Milport Rd., Suite B  
Milwaukie, OR 97222

You can also contribute online through "Network for Good," the Watershed Council's donation processor, by following [this link](#). Click on "Network for Good," and when you get to the "Johnson Creek Donate page," be sure to put ***Crystal Springs Partnership*** in the Designation Field.

Thanks for your ongoing support, and have a wonderful holiday season, and a very Happy New Year!

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