



Crystal Springs
PARTNERSHIP

November 30, 2015

Dear Friend of Crystal Springs:

Please donate to help the Crystal Springs Partnership to build on our successes in 2015 and help launch us into an even better 2016. Some of the accomplishments of this past year include:

- Monthly stewardship projects at a number of sites along the creek including Reed Canyon Westmoreland Union Manor, Westmoreland Park, and Brannen Park (21st and Umatilla).
- Education and ecological monitoring in partnership with the Xerces Society through surveys of macroinvertebrates and fresh water mussels.
- Walking tours with Ten Toes Express, in conjunction with Portland Bureau of Transportation
- The second annual and highly successful Westmoreland Park Salmon Celebration, with promise to again collaborate with Sunday Parkways in 2016
- Building on our relationship with the Johnson Creek Watershed Council through a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

The MOU establishes the fiscal and operational relationship between the CSP and JCWC. Since we share a mission and, in a sense, share a watershed, it seemed logical to partner in this way. This is a win/win situation for both groups. Using the non-profit status of the JCWC, we can apply for grants, get assistance with administering funds, and potentially provide tax benefit for donors. The JCWC benefits from our expertise and volunteer base in the Crystal Springs Watershed. Now all checks made out to JCWC--and designated for CSP--will go to support our work in the Crystal Springs Watershed, while being tax deductible to the full extent of the law.

We sense momentum in interest, appreciation, and joy in all things Crystal Springs Creek. Native salmon have returned to spawn in Westmoreland Park and beyond for the past two years. Otters are moving up and down the creek in earshot of the new MAX line. We hope you will visit and enjoy the creek year after year. With your financial help, we can continue our mission toward making the Crystal Springs Watershed a vibrant, healthy place for people and wildlife.

**Please send checks made out to the
Johnson Creek Watershed Council**

Please put Crystal Springs Partnership on the Memo Line

Funds received will be directed to a designated account for the Crystal Springs Partnership.

Send checks to:
Crystal Springs Partnership c/o JCWC
1900 SE Milport Rd. Suite B
Milwaukie, OR 97222

With thanks and best wishes for a happy Holiday Season, and a wonderful 2016,

Mary Ann Schmidt and Karl Lee
Co-Presidents, Crystal Springs Partnership