



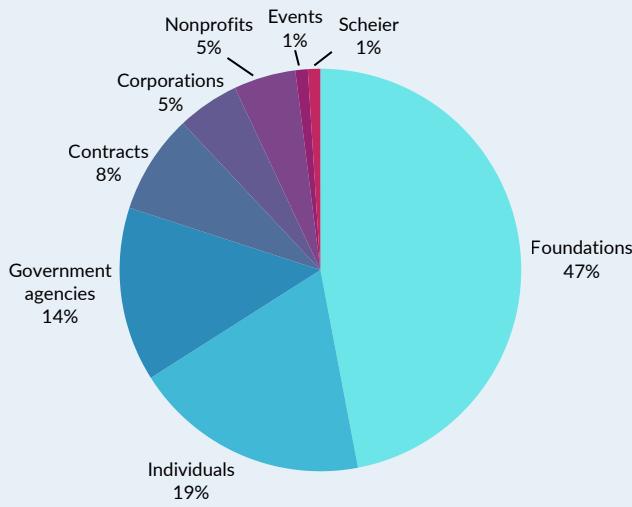
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CONSERVATION ALLIANCE

## 2024 IMPACT & ACTIVITIES

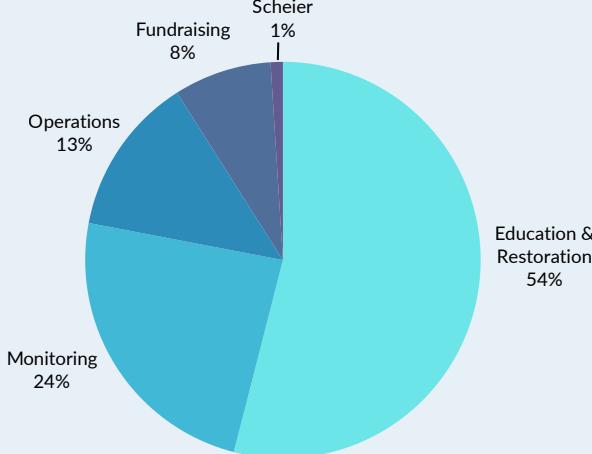
**OUR MISSION** – Working with the community to conserve the Rivanna River and its watershed through water quality monitoring, restoration, education, and stewardship.

**OUR VISION** – A healthy Rivanna River and watershed that benefits and is sustained by the community.

### 2024 SUPPORT



### 2024 EXPENDITURES



### 2024 STAFF (left to right)

Elizabeth Clark, Director of Development  
Bailey Pleasant, Watershed Coordinator  
Lisa Wittenborn, Ph.D., Executive Director  
Sophie Elliott, Operations Coordinator  
Claire Sanderson, Ph.D., Director of Monitoring  
Jean Lea Gazin, River Steward

Not pictured – staff who left in 2024:  
Devon Hathaway, Addie Klimek



### 2024 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Justin Barnes, Chair  
David Smith, Vice Chair  
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Martha Beard, Secretary  
Nalini Ayya  
Angus Murdoch  
Jim Nix  
Ami Riscassi  
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## 2024 IMPACT & ACTIVITIES

### MONITORING



### EDUCATION



**6**  
Charlottesville  
and Albemarle  
County middle  
schools  
engaged in  
watershed field  
trips



**2,800**  
students  
participated in  
field trips and  
events



**60**  
students  
engaged during  
summer  
programming

### RESTORATION & STEWARDSHIP



### 2024 EDUCATION FIELD TRIP PARTICIPANTS

**48%** Students of Color  
**38%** Economically Disadvantaged  
**13%** English Language Learners  
**14%** Students with Disabilities

### VOLUNTEERS



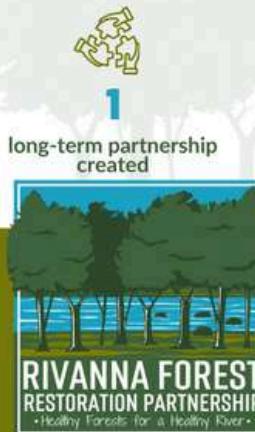
### EVENTS

Over 1,700 people enjoyed RCA-led events in 2024



### **FEATURED PROJECT: RIVANNA RIVER FOREST HEALTH & RESILIENCE PROJECT**

#### 2024-2025 *by the numbers*



<b>1</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>1,800</b>	<b>635</b>	<b>1,436</b>
long-term partnership created	organizations collaborating	parks improved	acres of forested land evaluated	acres managed for invasive plants	native trees planted	volunteer shifts	volunteer hours valued at \$48,092

In 2024, work began under the RCA-led Rivanna River Forest Health and Resilience Project.

- Volunteers assessed invasive and native plant coverage in Darden Towe, Riverview, and Pen Parks
- Volunteers and contractors started managing invasives and planting native trees
- The Rivanna Forest Restoration Partnership formed

Read more about this ongoing effort at [rivannaforestpartnership.org](http://rivannaforestpartnership.org)