

2023 ANNUAL REPORT



Seasons on the Katy Trail

Friends of the Katy Trail is the nonprofit organization responsible for maintaining and enhancing the Trail for the benefit of Dallas citizens and visitors. We partner with you through memberships, event sponsorships, and individual and corporate support to keep the Trail running in peak condition.



2023 HIGHLIGHTS



Complete the Trail Capital Campaign donor recognition blocks placed north of Cambrick Plaza



Katy Trail Art brings "twins," the work of Nic Nicosia, to Thomsen Overlook area

JAN



Greenscape Fund donor provides a second Katy Trail bicycle repair station at Victory Overlook

FEB



New safety signs placed along the Trail.

MAR



UT-Southwestern Fitness Center installed on the south end of the Trail

APR



Major Donor Party held at home of Kathy and Harlan Crow



Katy Trail Ice House donates \$90,000 to Friends of the Katy Trail from its yearly charitable golf tournament



New Katy Trail Leaders Circle recognizes 134 \$1,000+ supporting members of the Trail

MAY

JUN

JUL

AUG



Spring Support Campaign reaches over \$140,000 in gifts vs. the \$100,000 goal



FKT's Major Gifts team recognized as a Finalist for a D CEO Nonprofit Team of the Year Award





2023 HIGHLIGHTS



25th Anniversary Katy 5K welcomes 4,500 race participants and 80 sponsors and picnic partners, raising over \$315,000



Clay Cooley Auto Group sponsors Dallas Animal Services pet adoptions on the Trail



Katy Trail Community Partners grow from 17 partners in 2022 to 23 in 2023



Board member Buddy Cramer receives the David Stocks Volunteer Service Award

SEPT

OCT

NOV

DEC



THANK YOU
FOR DONATING TO
FRIENDS OF THE KATY TRAIL!

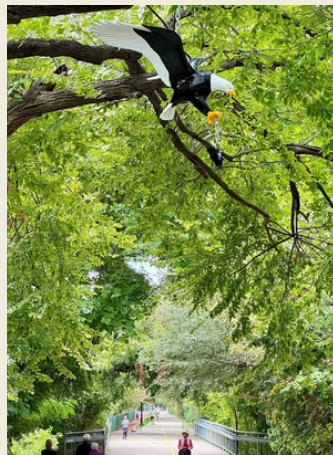
We Received **179 GIFTS**

Totaling
\$47,036!



Your donations keep the Katy Trail running in peak condition!

North Texas Giving Day donations to the Katy Trail total over \$47,000



Katy Trail Artist Will Boone's Desert Eagle and Turkey Vulture sculptures appear on the Trail



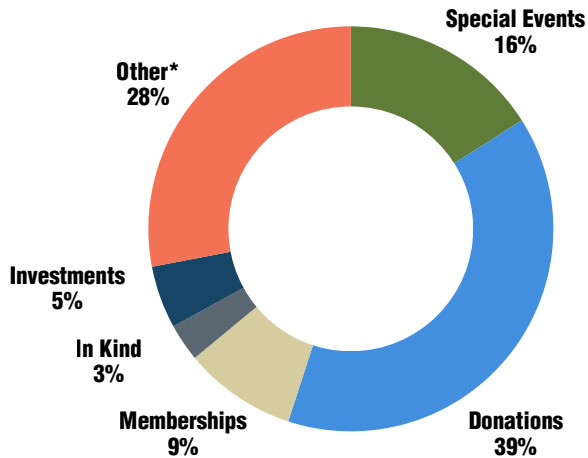
Trail visits reach approximately 2.5 million by the end of 2023



2023 NUMBERS

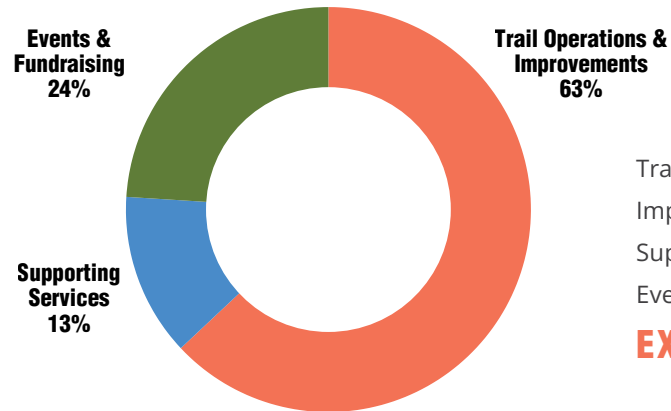
MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Friends of the Katy Trail is to maintain, enhance, and advocate for the Katy Trail as the premier trail for recreation, wellness, and alternative transportation in the City of Dallas.



Special Events	\$478,854
Donations	\$1,176,417
Memberships	\$266,599
In-Kind	\$88,508
Investments	\$153,761
Other*	\$839,640
INCOME:	\$3,003,779

*Includes \$820K in insurance settlements for the Fitzhugh Bridge repair



Trail Operations and Improvements	\$1,109,803
Supporting Services	\$215,240
Events and Fundraising	\$428,643
EXPENSES:	\$1,753,686

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A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Katy Trail is a constant in our lives. The oasis of green running through the urban core of Dallas is important to so many. Although the Trail is unchanging in most ways, it is also ever-changing. New visitors. New enhancements. New neighbors.

In 2023, the Katy Trail had more Trail visits than ever before, nearing 2.5 million. We saw new activations, like pet adoptions, art installations, and artist Trail talks. Friends of the Katy Trail enhanced the Trail with the UTSW Fitness Center, a new bicycle repair station, and many new plantings. Our donor list expanded, as did the number of corporate supporters, our Community Partners. The Katy 5K continued to grow and bring the community together for a night of wellness and fun.

We are proud to operate the Katy Trail for the benefit of Dallas, and we are proud that the Katy Trail brings joy to the lives of so many. Thank you for your continued support of FKT that allows us to carry out this important work.

Sincerely,



Amy Bean
Executive Director,
Friends of the Katy Trail

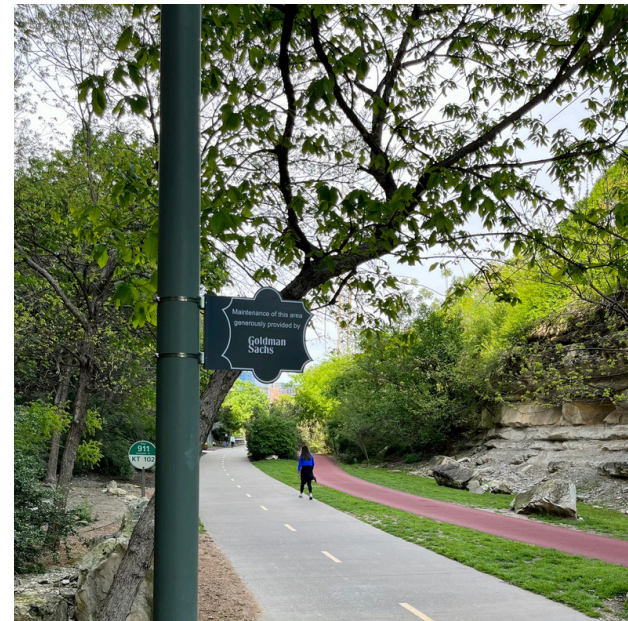


The Katy Trail means so much to so many in Dallas, and they want to give to their cherished Trail. Here's how to take action to support your Trail.

– Ann Whitley Wood
Senior Director, Major Gifts and Membership



- Purchase an **annual Membership** available at many levels, from \$75 to \$5,000
- Give to the **Spring Support Campaign** to boost early-in-the-year operations funds
- Participate in **North Texas Giving Day** with a donation to Friends of the Katy Trail
- Walk, run, sponsor, or volunteer at the **Katy 5K**
- Become a **Community Partner** and enjoy recognition, Katy 5K, membership, and community involvement benefits
- **Name a Trail aspect or amenity**, such as a bench, along the Trail to honor a person, family, or organization and add to the Greenscape Fund
- Pay an event fee to “table” on the Trail to **promote a business or service**
- **Maintain a stretch of the Trail** and receive a light pole recognition sign
- Join the **Katy Trail Art Society** to bring world-class art installations to the Trail
- **Fund a Major Trail feature:** the Cambrick Plaza or the Fitzhugh Staircase
- Support the new **City Bond projects:** a Fairmount Trail entrance and landscape restoration on the Trail's North end





2023 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

As we reflect on the past year, I am filled with immense gratitude and pride for the remarkable progress and achievements of Friends of the Katy Trail. Our collective efforts have once again demonstrated the power of community and dedication in enhancing one of our city's most cherished greenspaces. This nonprofit's commitment to maintaining and improving the Katy Trail remains steadfast. With ongoing support from community members like you, we can continue to ensure that the Trail remains a well-loved and well-maintained treasure for generations to come. Your contributions and volunteer efforts make a significant difference, and, together, we can keep the Katy Trail a beacon of natural beauty, health, and community in Dallas.

Thanks to the contributions of individual and corporate donors, event sponsors, and supporting members, 2023 was a year of notable Trail improvements and strong financial performance. We enhanced Trail landscaping and added new amenities and safety improvements, including an outdoor fitness center, bicycle station, more benches, and upgraded safety signs.

I am proud of the continued growth of our Community Partners program, an achievement that brought recognition to FKT as a finalist for a D CEO 2023 Nonprofit Team of the Year award. Corporate partnerships bridge gaps in our funding and enable us to undertake crucial projects to maintain and improve the Trail.

With regard to community engagement, the impact of FKT's work continued to expand last year. The 25th annual Katy 5K run, which knits our Katy Trail community together, saw a record number of participants, sponsors, and dollars raised. The relatively new Katy Trail Art program presented two more world-class Trail art installations. Katy Trail Art does not just add visual beauty to our Trail; it enhances the experience for every Trail visitor. The integration of art into this greenspace positions the Trail as a dynamic cultural hub that reflects the spirit and creativity of Dallas.

The successes for the Trail in 2023 are a testament to our incredible staff, board members, volunteers, and donors. Thank you for being an integral part of the remarkable evolution of the Katy Trail, now one of the greatest assets of Dallas. Let us continue to celebrate and cherish the Katy Trail, and let its legacy inspire us to foster a more connected and vibrant city.

Warm regards,

Blake Shipp
President, Friends of the Katy Trail



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Blake Shipp*

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*Executive Committee



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