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Annual Report





To protect and enhance Lancaster County's unique character and enviable Quality of Life.

Mission

Hourglass provides local, reliable information on Lancaster County issues to ensure informed decisions and make Lancaster a better place to live and work.















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Letter from our new Executive Director

Dear Hourglass Community,

I am so thrilled to be working alongside you all. I am only halfway through my first year at Hourglass and I've met so many of you who have been unbelievably generous with your time, knowledge, and expertise. Though I grew up in Lancaster, I am learning about our community in so many new ways in this role, thanks to you.

I come to this role with a background in writing and storytelling, and am applying that lens to my fierce love for Lancaster and our unique story. Thank you for being part of how it's been written and please keep up with us as we continue the story.

- Lea Zikmund

Letter from Fundraising Chair

Do we say thank you enough?

Probably not.

And, so, I would like to take this opportunity to thank some groups who have made an amazing difference to the Hourglass community.

First, our donors. You have been steadfast as members and investors in our efforts. We appreciate your belief in us. We thank you for your time, your talent, and your treasure. All valued.

Second, thank you to our sponsors. You make a significant investment in our programs and services. You make events and materials available to a broad range of individuals.

Third, our patrons. These individuals attend our First Friday Forums, Community Forums, and other events. Thank you for sharing your time with us, we appreciate your presence and your trust that we'll use it wisely. Also, in this group, are the individuals who read and enjoy our videos and newsletters. You find the information we share to be valuable. We love it when you share this information with others.

Finally, our board members. You willingly meet almost every Friday morning. You come prepared. You relish meeting community leaders who come to our Board meetings. You share your learnings from work, other volunteer activities, and your reading. Thank you for your constructive conversations, your curiosity and, of course, your dedication. Thank you all. We could not do this work without you.

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- Susan Eckert



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First Friday Forums

Hourglass hosts forums each month for our members to engage deeply on local issues. These forums are available in-person or via livestream, and are shared with the entire community via video recording. Recent forums include:

- May 2025:
 Media Literacy in Education & Beyond
- April 2025:

 Leadership Lancaster
- March 2025:
 Lancaster County Conservation
 District 75th Anniversary
- February 2025:

 Lancaster County Solid Waste

 Management Authority
- January 2025:

 Ask the Commissioners
- December 2024:

 Mayor Danene Sorace, City of
 Lancaster Master Tourism Plan
- November 2024: Lancaster Clean Water Partners
- October 2024:
 Affordable Housing Spotlight: Völker, HDC Midatlantic & Chestnut Housing
- September 2024: The Arts in Lancaster County
- August 2024: Lancaster County Public Education
- June 2024:

 Homelessness in
 Lancaster County

Our Impact

Hourglass focuses on innovative strategies to connect with our community leaders and bring relevant information to our audience. We highlight areas of growth and change in Lancaster while also celebrating systems that serve our community in unique and creative ways. In addition to our monthly First Friday forums, here are some other ways we have deepened our engagement with the community.

Trailblazers: Unlocking the Potential of Outdoor Recreation in Lancaster County (September 10, 2024)

This informative community forum addressed the potential of outdoor recreation for Lancaster County's community and economic development. The forum included a keynote address by Dr. Nathan Reigner, Director of the state's first Office of Outdoor Recreation, a video featuring major local investments and initiatives in the outdoor recreation space, and a panel discussion with local leaders.



Housing Deliberative Forums (November & December 2024)

On November 20th and December 9th, 2024, a total of 42 participants attended a deliberative workshop on affordable housing hosted by the Hourglass, High Foundation, and Franklin & Marshall College's Center for Politics and Public Affairs. All 60 of Lancaster County's municipalities were invited to attend the workshop and were encouraged to send two participants— a staff person, and an elected official.











Before the workshops, participants were sent briefing documents on affordable housing. During the workshops, participants listened to panels on barriers and solutions to affordable housing, and were then sent to deliberate in small groups about their own thoughts and ideas. The full report on these deliberative workshops was shared with all 60 municipalities in Lancaster County, as well as leaders in affordable housing. It can be found on the Hourglass website, as well.

Additional Resources:

In addition to events, Hourglass provides reliable information on local issues through:



Listening to Lancaster Interviews



Keeping Lancaster Current Email Newsletter



Hourglass Quarterly Print Publications



Videos from all of these forums, plus our print publications & email newsletters, can be found with more than 900+ resources on our website at HourglassLancaster.org.













Thank You to our Generous Donors

Our work is made possible by the following generous donors who share our passion for making Lancaster County a better place to live and work.

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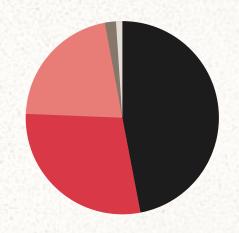
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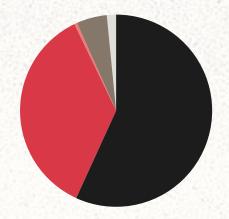






Fiscal Year 2023 Revenues





Fiscal Year 2024 Revenues

	Contributions	\$116,504
	Program Revenue	\$73,869
	Grants	\$1,000
	In-Kind	\$10,474
	Investments	\$3,206
TOTAL		\$205,053

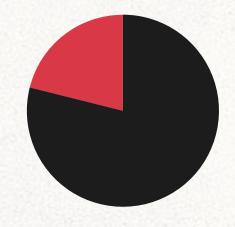


Fiscal Year 2023 Expenses

Program Expenses	\$179,325
Management &	\$39,226
Operating Expenses	

\$218,551

Total



Fiscal Year 2024 Expenses

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Managem	ent & \$41,352	
Operating	Expenses	

Total \$196,007



Fiscal Year 2024 Assets



+ \$2,661 towards our Strategic Reserve

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