



## FISCAL YEAR 2022-23 ANNUAL REPORT

Throughout its 2023 Fiscal Year, September 1, 2022 – August 31, 2023, Thorne Nature Experience provided programming to more than 10,000 youth and their families. To ensure that all children can connect with nature and experience the many benefits afforded by time spent outdoors, Thorne offered a record \$700,000 in scholarships and program subsidies.



### Programming Highlights

All programming identified below was fully supported by bilingual and bicultural educators or community liaison staff to ensure a welcoming and authentic experience for Latino/a/x participants.

#### School Programs

Thorne's school programs provided 35,208 hours of programming to 8,411 students in kindergarten through fifth grade, primarily at Boulder County schools. These youth participated in one or more Thorne programs, including Thorne's three-visit In-School, multi-week After School, and full-day nature field trip programs. At nine low-income and culturally diverse Boulder County schools, Thorne offered its full suite of school programs, which resulted in each student receiving a minimum of 27 and up to 225 hours of programming from Thorne while attending elementary school.

**"Yes! It's Friday, Thorne's coming today!"**

– 4th Grade Students, Rocky Mountain Elementary School



#### Summer Camp

1,103 youth ages 5-15 participated in a two-week Summer Camp in Boulder or Lafayette. Thorne awarded more than \$264,000 in scholarships, enabling 294 youth who have historically been excluded from environmental education opportunities (or 26.7% of all campers) to participate in a Thorne summer camp.

**"I was surprised to make a new best friend at camp. I loved identifying mushrooms, climbing rocks, and catching a crawdad. I thought being outside all day hiking would be so exhausting, but I really wanted to go back each day."**

– Thorne Camper 2023

#### Early Childhood Education

58 children, ages 3-6 years old participated in a 9-month preschool program and 69 children participated in a preschool summer camp. Thorne awarded \$72,752 in scholarships to ensure that preschool programming was accessible to all youth.

**"The staff all seem to care for the students and allow them to grow in a safe way all while experiencing outside and deepening their sense of self in nature."**

– Thorne Preschool Parent

# Programming Highlights Continued

## Collaboration

Thorne provided backbone support for the E-Movement and Nature Kids/Jovenes de la Naturaleza (NKJN) collective impact projects. Thorne provided \$122,618 in funding to other nonprofits for the provision of nature-based programs for youth and families who have been historically excluded from environmental education opportunities in Boulder County. In addition, Thorne provided \$220,443 in backbone support, including community outreach, translation services, and transportation to remove barriers to participation in Thorne and its collaborators programming. In total these offerings were valued at more than \$1 million in Boulder and Lafayette.

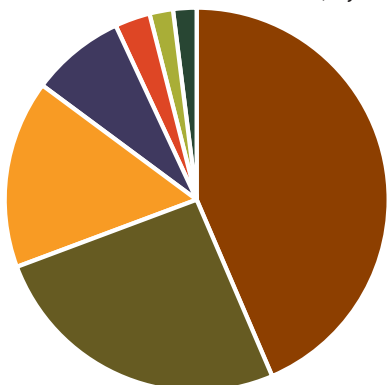
Thorne's FY 2022/23 accomplishments would not have been possible without the generous support of our contributors, the leadership from our Board of Trustees, the guidance and wisdom of Thorne's Founder, Dr. Oakleigh Thorne, II, and the hard work and dedication of Thorne's staff, led by Executive Director Keith Desrosiers.



## Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Assets

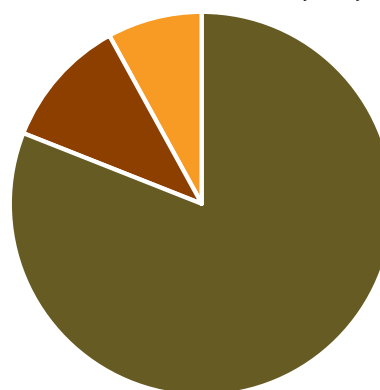
### Operating Revenues

● Earned Income 44%	\$1,311,339
● Foundation 16%	\$467,477
● Government 26%	\$778,594
● Individual 8%	\$208,344
● Corporate 2%	\$52,474
● Special Events 3%	\$102,269
● In-Kind Support 2%	\$56,376
● Endowment Distribution 0%	\$10,849
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,987,722</b>



### Operating Expenditures

● Programs 81%	\$2,249,239
● Fundraising 11%	\$301,578
● Administration 8%	\$224,558
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,775,375</b>



Operating Revenue Less Expenditures	\$212,347
Change in Perm. Restricted Assets (endowment)	(\$183,209)
Change in Temp. Restricted Assets**	\$2,257,409

<b>Net Assets Start of Fiscal Year</b>	<b>\$4,482,972</b>
<b>Net Assets End of Fiscal Year</b>	<b>\$6,769,519</b>

\*\* In Spring of 2023 Thorne broke ground to build a new Nature Center in Lafayette. The \$6 million + nature center being built adjacent to City of Lafayette Open Space includes a programming space for Thorne and Nature Kids programming in Lafayette, a community park, and offices for Thorne staff. The capital campaign for the center resulted in both higher than typical fundraising and admin expenses and the majority of the \$2,286,547 change in assets year over year.