

The cover features a background image of a forest with large, dark grey boulders in the foreground. Sunlight filters through the trees, creating a bright lens flare in the upper right. A large blue rectangle is overlaid on the left side, containing the title text. A smaller blue rectangle is on the right edge.

# ANNUAL REPORT 2023

Eastern Pennsylvania Alliance of Climbers

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**01**

# OUR NUMBERS

**11 Events**

**9 Climbing Areas**

**141 Volunteer**

**643 hours**

**28**

Steps Built

**39**

Bags of  
Trash

**180'**

Repaired  
Trail

**5000**

sqft of  
Graffiti  
Removed



THANK YOU



# Technical Trail Workshop

EPAC was excited to secure a grant and matching funds to host a technical trail workshop run by Access Fund. Stewards from throughout PA, and beyond, came together to learn about trail maintenance, stone work, volunteer management and other essential skills to host successful stewardship events.







## Climbers + Bats Workshop

EPAC partnered with South Central PA Climbers and Birdsboro Area Climbers Association to host a workshop with Climbers for Bat Conservation. This workshop consisted of a classroom and field experience which included bat ecology, facilitated discussions with climbers, land managers, and bat biologists as well as using echometer to collect species and roosting data.



A photograph of a community engagement event held in a climbing gym. In the foreground, several people are seated at long tables, facing away from the camera towards a presentation area. Two people are standing at the front, one appearing to be presenting. The background features climbing walls with colorful holds, a large red triangular structure, and a blue mat. A blue semi-transparent box is overlaid on the left side of the image, containing the text 'COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT'.

# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

02





Hosted 5 events at local gyms totaling over 50 attendees



Added outdoor component for those who attended a gym presentation

# GYM to CRAG



## Community Meeting

EPAC held its annual community meeting to review our progress and gather feedback from the climbing community

## Narrows Presentation

EPAC shared a status report and next steps regarding the ongoing raptor closure



## Access Fund Advocacy Conference

EPAC once again presented at the Access Fund Advocacy Conference this time focusing on stewardship event best practices.



# CWA SUMMIT

EPAC joined SWPACC and SCPC at the Climbing Wall Association Summit in Pittsburgh in May. The CWA Summit is the largest gathering of gym staff in the country. We engaged with gym owners, managers and other key staff about how to support the work of their Local Climbing Organizations. We also hosted a meeting with PA's Director of Outdoor Recreation, Nathan Reigner, as well as other key DCNR staff and advocates.



A photograph of a forest with large, stacked rocks in the foreground and a blue semi-transparent box containing the word 'FINANCE'. The rocks are arranged in a way that suggests a natural or man-made structure, possibly a stone wall or a natural formation. The background is filled with tall, thin trees and green foliage. The blue box is positioned in the upper left quadrant of the image.

**FINANCE**

**03**

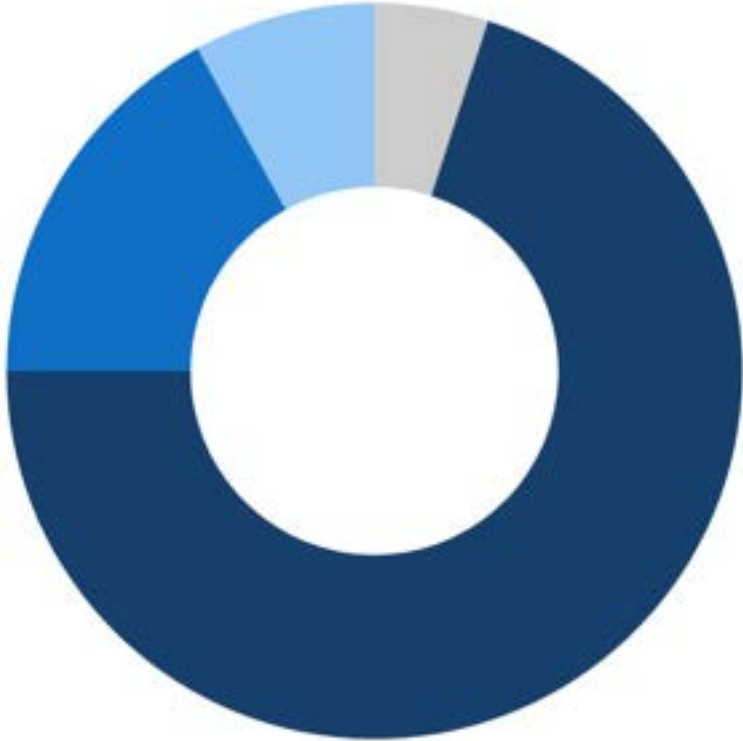


EPAC received \$1000 toward graffiti removal equipment and efforts at Boxcar Rocks



EPAC received a \$5000 Regional Trail Workshop grant to host a stewardship training.

# GRANTS



Individual Donations	6%
Guidebook	8%
Access Fund Joint Partnership	17%
Corporate Donations	70%

# REVENUE





Community Engagement	15%
Stewardship	22%
Administration	29%
Insurance	35%

# EXPENSES

# DONORS



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Looking forward to 2024!