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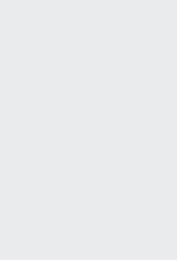


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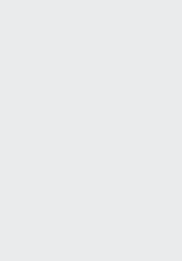
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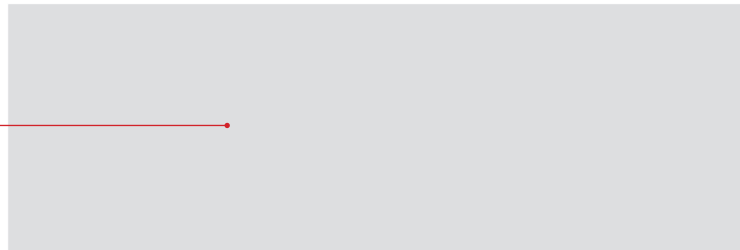
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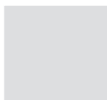
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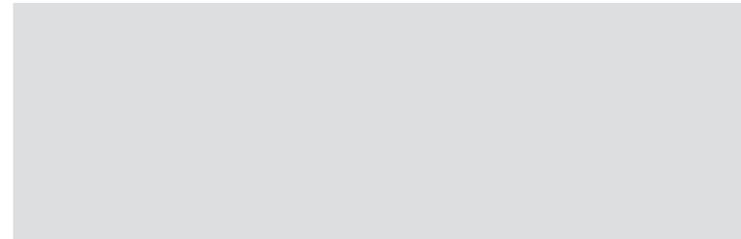
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"I'll be the last to let you down." - Garrett

A standing room crowd, hung from the rafters and pressed against the rifle racks, whooped and hollered wildly when Garrett, an ex-Marine and professional grave digger, promised his new followers, "I'll be the last to let you down."

When Garrett finished, men and women rose to take the microphone and extol the River. Rivermen from Verplanck and Claverack, some descended from generations of commercial fishermen, spoke of the great runs of striped bass, blue fish, and shad; of giant sturgeon bursting with caviar; of herring and alewives so numerous they turned the tributaries to quicksilver; the succulent blue crab and lucrative eel; or the gefilte fish fishery that peaked during Jewish holidays. Recreational fishermen boasted of the trout, black bass and perch they caught on plugs, the youngsters who would net shrimp, goldfish or herring for bait in the marsh at the mouth of the Croton, and how most of Crotonville congregated on its beaches in the summer months for beer and barbecues.

But each of them fretted about what was happening to the River – the polluters were effectively stealing it from the public. New York City was dumping 1.5 billion gallons per day of raw sewage into the River, the paint from Tarrytown's GM plant dyed the River a new color each week, the Indian Point power plant was killing millions of fish each day, the National Guard was filling tidal wetlands at Camp Smith, and Penn Central Railroad was discharging oil from a pipe at the Croton Rail Yard. The oil floated up the Croton on the tide, blackening the beaches and making the shad taste of diesel.

The River was dying. Twenty-mile stretches south of Albany and north of New York City were already dead and the Hudson had become the butt of Tonight Show quips. Worst of all, government seemed to be in cahoots with the polluters. The discussion began to turn desperate. Somebody suggested floating a raft of dynamite beneath the Con Edison piers where it would be sucked into the intake. Someone else said Penn Central's pipe could be plugged with a mattress or ignited with a match.

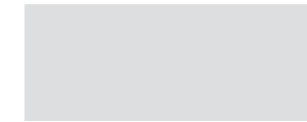
"Someone suggested a raft of floating dynamite beneath the Con Edison plants."

Then another ex-Marine rose to speak. Bob Boyle was an ornery fly fisherman and outdoor writer for Sports Illustrated. In the course of researching an article about angling in the River two years earlier, he'd stumbled across two little known laws: the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1888 and the Refuse Act of 1899. These statutes forbade pollution of American waters and provided a bounty reward for whoever reported the violation!

After listening to Boyle with escalating excitement, the American Legion crowd agreed to organize themselves to track down and prosecute the Hudson's polluters one at a time until they were all eliminated. They were as good as their word. Two years later they shut down the Penn Central Pipe and collected \$2,000, the first bounty ever awarded under the 19th-century statute. They were soon collecting even larger bounties against Standard Brands, Ciba-Geigy, American Cynamid, Westchester County, Anaconda Wire and Copper and many others. The Fishermen also had joined with Scenic Hudson in a lawsuit to stop Con Edison's proposal to build a hydroelectric facility on Storm King Mountain. It was, in large part, the discovery of a striped bass spawning ground near the project site that ultimately derailed the deal.

The Fishermen used winnings from these cases to build and launch a Riverkeeper boat, which today patrols the Hudson searching out environmental lawbreakers and bringing them to justice. In 1983, they hired their first full-time Riverkeeper, activist and former commercial fisherman John Cronin. One year later, I joined Riverkeeper as its Chief Prosecuting Attorney.

Riverkeeper on YouTube



Down the Hudson
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- Tarrytown, NY from March 1st through April 20th, 2009
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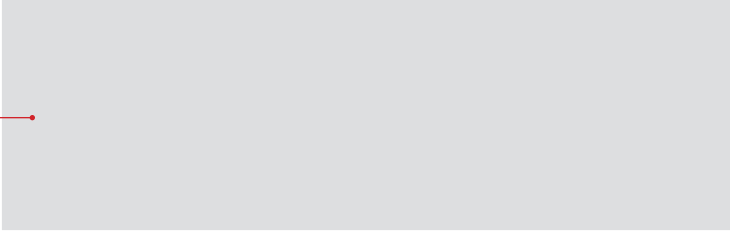
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Today, [Alex Matthiessen](#) serves as Hudson Riverkeeper and President, [Robert F. Kennedy, Jr.](#) is our Chief Prosecuting Attorney, and [John Lipscomb](#) is our Boat Captain.

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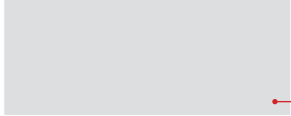
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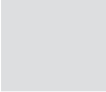
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three-unit nuclear power plant station located in Buchanan, New York just south of Peekskill. It sits on the east bank of the Hudson River, 24 miles north of New York City, New York.
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the Federal Power Commission constructs a huge hydroelectric

Eastern Airlines pilot and writer Art Glowka and biologist Dominick Pirone visit [Indian Point](#) power plant and discover 10,000 dead fish entrained on the plant's intake pipe screens.

1964 A group of fishermen meet to bemoan the pollution of the Hudson River and the destruction of its fisheries. Fisherman and Sports Illustrated writer Bob Boyle informs them about the Refuse Act of 1899 which forbids pollution of national waterways and awards a bounty to whoever turns in a polluter. Boyle proposes the creation of the Hudson River Fishermen's Association (HRFA).

1965 Boyle testifies against Storm King, citing its projected fish kills and a study that shows that the Hudson Highlands is a critical spawning ground for Atlantic Coast striped bass.

The FPC grants Con Ed a license to build Storm King. Scenic Hudson and HRFA sue to reverse the decision in the Federal Circuit Court of Appeals in New York. In December, the Court of Appeals reverses the FPC's decision.

1966 The first HRFA public meeting is held in Crotonville, NY under President Richie Garrett.

The FPC opens new hearings on [Storm King](#), and HRFA joins Scenic Hudson as interveners.

1968 HRFA sues Penn Central whose pipes at [Croton Harmon](#) have been discharging oil into the Croton River for years. HRFA wins its case against Penn Central and collects its first bounty of \$2,000.

1969 The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) is created requiring federal agencies to review the full environmental impacts of every major decision.

HRFA investigates the Anaconda Wire and Copper Company in Hastings-on-Hudson which has dumped oil and solvents into the river for years.

HRFA membership now reaches 300.

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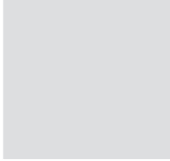
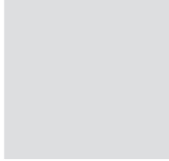
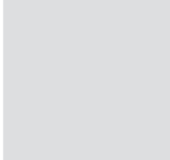
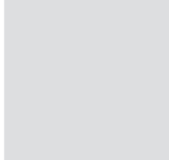
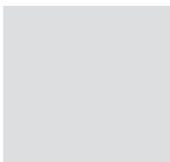
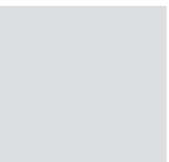
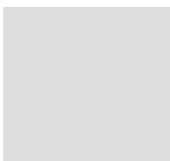
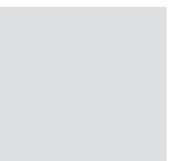




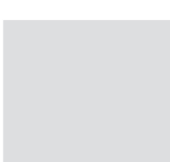
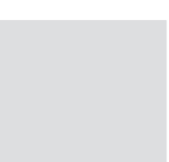
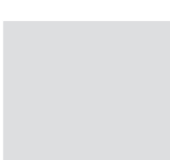
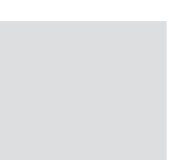



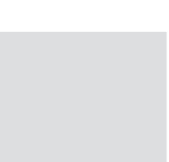


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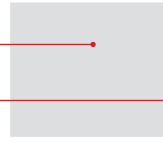
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Background:

Tracy Brown joined Riverkeeper as Communications Director in 2007. She started her career in art, design and community organizing in Rhode Island where she helped found the non-profit arts center AS220, and was later a founding partner at the new media design studio AVX. Since moving to New York, she has worked as a communications strategist, producer, and interactive designer for Fortune 500 clients in entertainment, technology, healthcare and finance. Specializing in brand development and new technologies, her projects have included web sites, intranets, interactive games and short films. Ms. Brown's lifelong interest in environmental work brought her to Riverkeeper as a volunteer in 2005. She graduated from the Rhode Island School of Design with a BA in Fine Arts.

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Tracy Brown also works with:

- > Gwendolyn Chambers
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Background:

Mr. Matthiessen has been Hudson Riverkeeper & President since July, 2000. He has guided Riverkeeper’s transformation into one of the country’s most respected local environmental advocacy groups. Under his tenure, Riverkeeper has undergone a period of pronounced growth with more than a doubling in staff, an eight-fold increase in membership, and a quadrupling of the budget, reflecting more robust and diversified funding streams.

Mr. Matthiessen has instituted a full-time enforcement presence on the Hudson River and its tributaries and has expanded the organization’s reach from points north of Albany down to and including all of New York Harbor. While strengthening Riverkeeper’s enforcement capacity, Mr. Matthiessen also has been pursuing strategies to develop long-term, preventative approaches to environmental problem solving

Under his direction, Riverkeeper has forged partnerships with leading academic and research institutions such as Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory, Columbia University School of Law, and Columbia University Graduate School of Architecture, Planning and Preservation. These partnerships are serving to strengthen Riverkeeper’s enforcement efforts, advance our scientific understanding of the Hudson River, and identify solutions to poorly planned development along the Hudson River corridor.

Prior to joining Riverkeeper, Mr. Matthiessen was Special Assistant at the U.S. Department of the Interior, focusing on matters of special importance to Department Secretary Bruce Babbitt. He oversaw a government-wide task force to reform the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission’s hydropower licensing process. He also conceived and developed the Green Energy Parks initiative, a joint program of the National Park Service and the Department of Energy, which promotes clean and sustainable energy use throughout the national park system. For his leadership on the project, Mr. Matthiessen received a Presidential Award from the White House.

Earlier in his career, Mr. Matthiessen was a Macroeconomic Policy Analyst in Indonesia for the Harvard Institute for International Development, and worked at the White House Council on Environmental Quality. He also served as the Grassroots Program Director for the Rainforest Action Network in San Francisco, organizing and managing an international network of affiliate activist groups. He holds a Masters of Public Administration from the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, and earned a BA (Biology and Environmental Studies) from the University of California at Santa Cruz.

Mr. Matthiessen served on New York State Governor Eliot Spitzer’s transition team as an advisor on energy and environmental policy goals, and is chair of the energy committee for Westchester County’s task force on climate change. He is also on the boards of directors of Catskill Mountainkeeper and Waterkeeper Alliance, the umbrella organization for the more than 150 Keeper programs working to protect local water resources around the world.

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Alex Mattiessen also works with:

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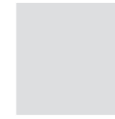
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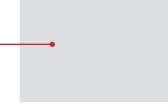
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Waterkeeper Alliance connects and supports local Waterkeeper programs to

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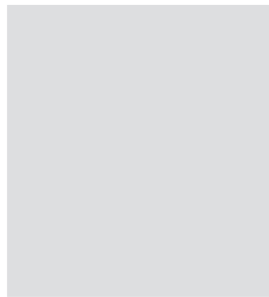
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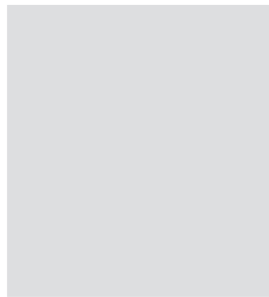
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▼ Hudson River Program Director

Position Description:

The opening position is of strategic importance to Riverkeeper. The director will serve as a member of the senior management team. The position is ideal for an experienced attorney who deeply cares about environmental issues and who is looking for a high profile assignment that will allow her/him to use litigation, advocacy/lobbying, media outreach and public education tools. The director of the Hudson River program will run Riverkeeper's largest team with historical roots dating back to the origins of the environmental law in NYC and the Hudson River Valley.

Responsibilities:

- Management and mentoring of the Hudson River team
- Design of the strategic direction of the program
- Leading high profile cases and policy campaigns
- Development of new and innovative enforcement cases
- Development and implementation of investigation plans and legal enforcement strategies
- Development, implementation and collaboration with internal and external stakeholders on policy initiatives and campaigns
- Development and implementation of public outreach through building coalitions
- Development and implementation of community empowerment initiatives around policies and cases
- Active involvement in the design and implementation of communication strategies as related to policies and cases
- Cultivation and management of relationships with elected and government officials around legislation and action on cases
- Cultivation and management of relationships with key media outlets around policies and cases
- Serving as a spokesperson for the organization
- Cultivation of donor relationships that support program's goals and objectives
- Preparation and monitoring of the annual program budget

Working Relationships:

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Selection Criteria:

The most competitive candidates will have the following knowledge, skills, and abilities:

- Attorney, admitted in NYS *
- Minimum five years of practicing environmental law
- Excellent public speaking skills
- Excellent writing skills
- Experience in managing a large caseload
- Experience in managing a team of attorneys
- Experience in managing relationships with consultants on cases
- Commitment to environmental advocacy and environmental justice
- Working familiarity with the Clean Water Act and NYS rules and regulations is a plus
- Experience in managing legislative initiatives is a plus
- Familiarity with NYC and Hudson River Region is a plus
- Must possess a sense of humor

*Attorneys eligible to be admitted by NYS will be considered

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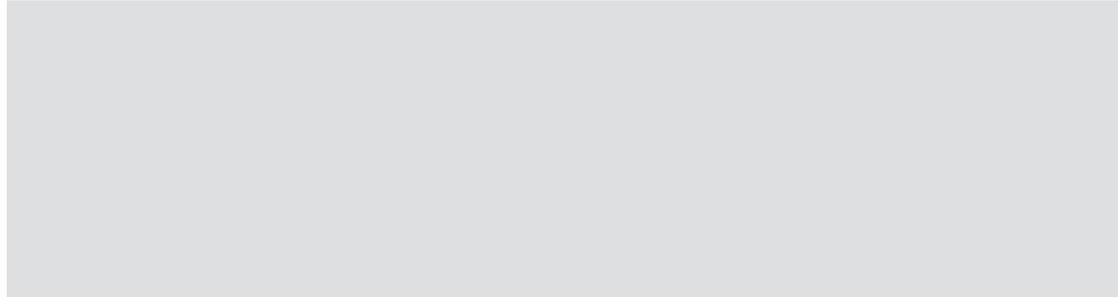
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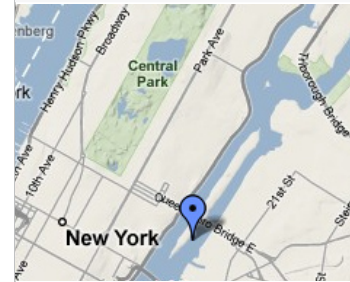
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Water Quality, Enterococcus Count and Precipitation:

Sample Date	Enterococcus Count	Quality	Rain, day of (in)	Prior Day	2 Days Prior	3 Days Prior	5 Days Prior
9/26/2006	2	Acceptable	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1
10/18/2006	135	Unacceptable	0.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1
11/10/2006	112	Unacceptable	0.0	0.0	3.6	3.6	3.6
12/13/2006	30	Acceptable	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
4/18/2007	344	Unacceptable	0.0	0.0	0.9	8.5	8.5
5/23/2007 11:39AM	4	Acceptable	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
6/18/2007	8	Acceptable	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
7/11/2007 11:54AM	1	Acceptable	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
8/16/2007	4	Acceptable	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
9/6/2007 11:54AM	1	Acceptable	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5/19/2008 12:31PM	0	Acceptable	0.0	0.1	0.2	1.1	1.1
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7/2/2008 12:03PM	0	Acceptable	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	1.1
7/14/2008 11:24AM	187	Unacceptable	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
8/19/2008	0	Acceptable	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.1

Basic Sampling Data: 2006 - Ongoing

Sample Date	Enterococcus Count	Temperature (f)	Salinity
9/26/2006	2	n/a	n/a
10/18/2006	135	n/a	n/a
11/10/2006	112	n/a	n/a
12/13/2006	30	n/a	n/a
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9/6/2007 11:54AM	1	74.8	25.5
5/19/2008 12:31PM	0	57.0	21.7
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7/2/2008 12:03PM	0	69.2	24.0
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8/19/2008	0	73.4	22.4

Salinity:

Estuaries like the Hudson are where freshwaters in rivers meet the sea. Salinity tells us about the relative contribution of fresh and salt water within a particular region of the estuary. Salinity generally increases towards the mouth of the estuary, although salinity at any location can change with the tide. Heavy rains will push freshwater further down the estuary, while dry weather will allow salty water to penetrate further north. Many aquatic organisms have a preferred range of salinities where they can best survive. During our sampling trips, salinity is measured in parts per thousand (ppt). Ocean salinity is about 34 ppt and the freshwaters of the upper Hudson River are close to 0 ppt.

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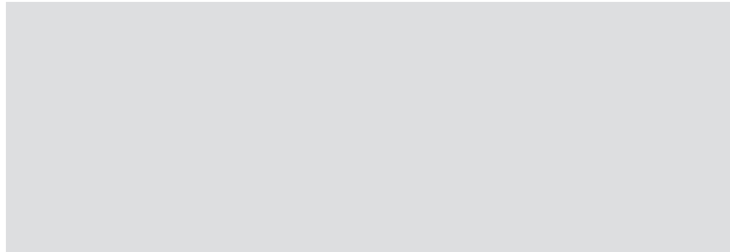
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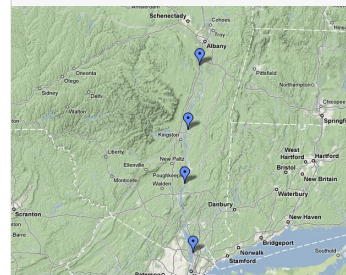
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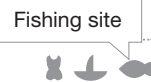


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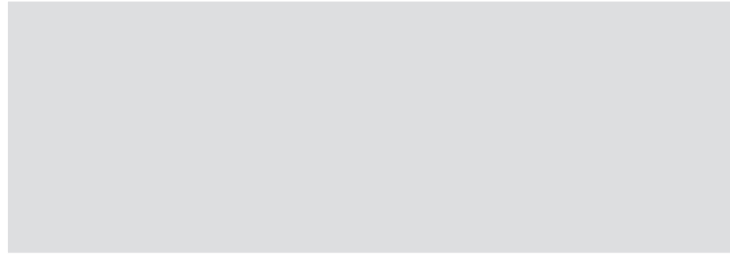
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Henry Hudson first came upon the Hudson River by accident in 1609. Hired by the Dutch East India Company to find a short passage to India, the Englishman sailed his ship Half Moon 150 miles up the Hudson to Albany before realizing that it was not the route he was seeking. At that time, there were approximately 10,000 natives living on both sides of the river. The tribes were part of the Algonquin Confederacy which included the Delaware, Mohican (aka Mohegan) and Wappinger tribes. The Mohican tribe was friendly and peaceful, but Hudson's crew distrusted them and fighting followed. As Dutch and other European settlers arrived in the Hudson Valley, they struggled with the natives for land. By the end of the century, most of the native tribes had been forced west or were destroyed by war and small pox brought in by the Europeans.

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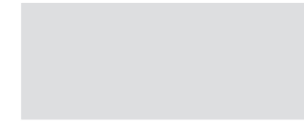
During the 1700s, the colonists realized that the river was essential for the transport of troops and supplies and that if the British gained control of it, they would be able to divide and conquer the American forces. West Point, Fort Montgomery, Fort Clinton and Fort Constitution had all been built in the Bear Mountain region to prevent the British from advancing up the river. In 1778, colonists created the Great Chain, two-foot long iron links which stretched across the river between West Point and Constitution Island to prevent the British from sailing upriver from New York City. The British, however, never came that far up the river so the chain was never put to the test. General Benedict Arnold, in command of West Point, was offered 20,000 pounds sterling by the British if he would help them take control of the Hudson and in 1780, he attempted to surrender the fort to the British. Fortunately for the colonists, the plot was discovered when the American forces captured Major John André, the British officer to whom Arnold had passed plans for West Point. Arnold narrowly escaped to a British war ship. [Learn More >](#)

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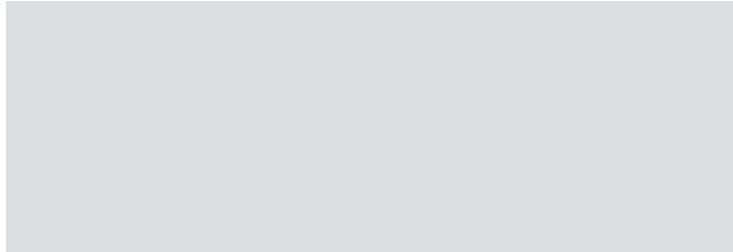
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▼ Fish



Atlantic Sturgeon

Atlantic sturgeon of the Hudson River Estuary have supported some level of subsistence or commercial fishing since colonial times. Reported commercial landings of Atlantic sturgeon are available for New York State from 1880 through 1995. [More on the DEP site >](#)



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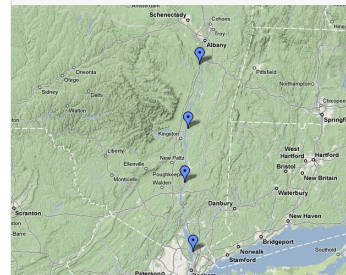
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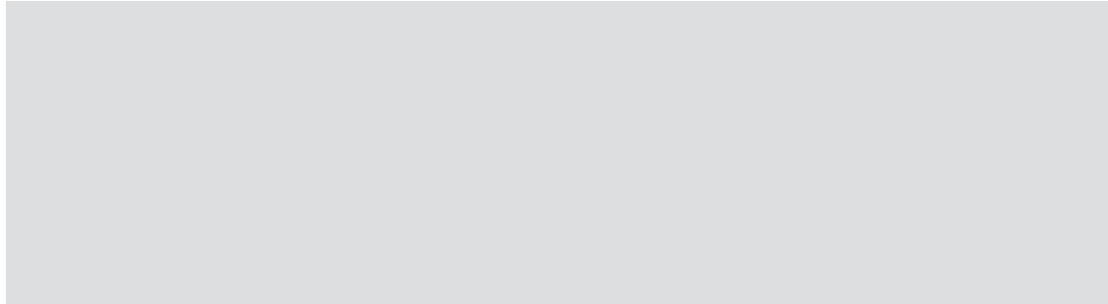
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Protecting the 2,000-square-mile New York City Watershed requires partnership. New York City and upstate communities, residents, local businesses and environmental groups must cooperate to preserve the quality of drinking water supplies and the quality of life in watershed communities.

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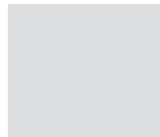
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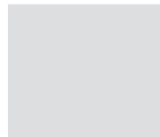
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Most of the drinking water for New York City travels by aqueduct from three up-state reservoir systems, called watersheds. The watersheds, while comprising only 4.2% of New York State's land mass, provide up to 1.5 billion gallons of unfiltered drinking water to over nine million New Yorkers daily. The campaign to protect that drinking water demands vigilance on multiple fronts, and will be active for decades to come. Riverkeeper played a critical role in the first broad-based watershed legislation in 1997, and continues to be one of the primary watchdogs enforcing compliance in the City's three major watershed regions.



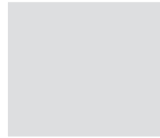
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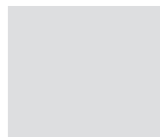
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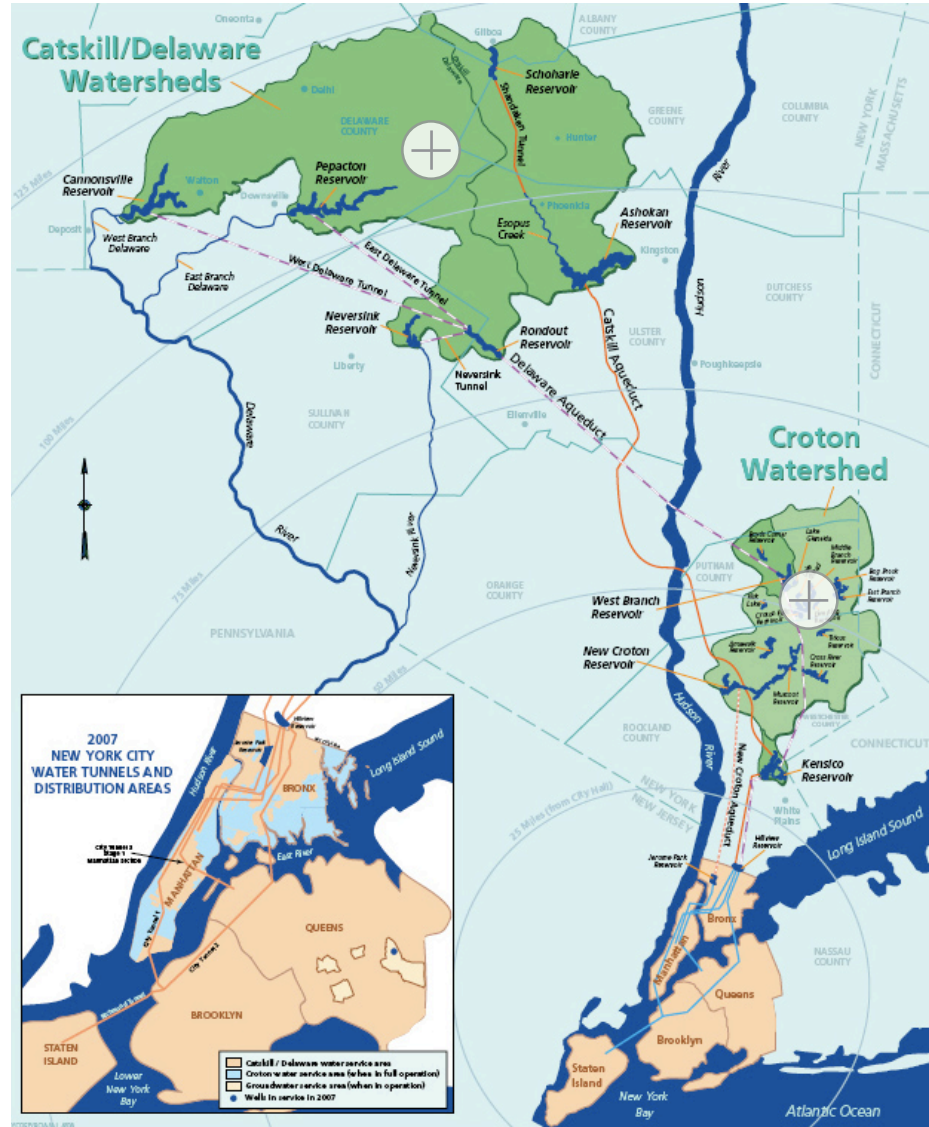
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The New York City Water Supply

10-30% of the city's water comes from the Croton System.

The source of New York City's drinking water is generally not well understood by the people it supplies. Yet it is imperative that people understand where their water comes from so that they are motivated to monitor and protect their cherished resources.

▼ Water Capacity

The NYC Watershed supplies up to 1.5 billion gallons of unfiltered drinking water per day to more than 9 million people – approximately half the population of the State. In addition to serving New York City, there are more than 60 connections and provide an average of 120 million gallons per days to approximately 1 million people in parts of Westchester, Putnam, Orange and Ulster Counties. The system's total storage capacity is 580 billion gallons.

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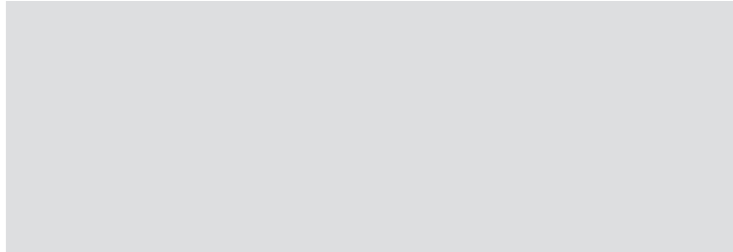
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Over nine million people living in New York City, Westchester, Putnam, Orange and Ulster Counties enjoy clean, unfiltered drinking water from the Croton, Catskill and Delaware watersheds. The 6,000-mile network of pipes, shafts and subterranean aqueducts carries an average 1.4 billion gallons of pristine water each day from 19 upstate reservoirs. The City water delivery system is a remarkable engineering achievement and the single largest man-made financial asset in New York State. Four decades ago, the City of New York was known as the mecca of civil engineering and water delivery, and the City water supply was regarded as one of American civilization's proudest engineering accomplishments. But the City's reservoir infrastructure is now in a state of disrepair that threatens its ability to continue to supply the City with water.

In 2001, Riverkeeper published "Finger in the Dike, Head in the Sand" exposing this deplorable state of disrepair. Years later, little has changed.

While we recognize that the engineering required to fix the City's crumbling infrastructure is complex, Riverkeeper urges the City to move quickly - from researching to repairing the problems. In this section of our website, we provide updates on the status of the City's ongoing infrastructure projects.

▼ Croton Aqueduct

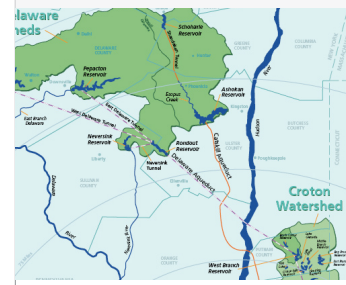
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▶ Delaware Aqueduct

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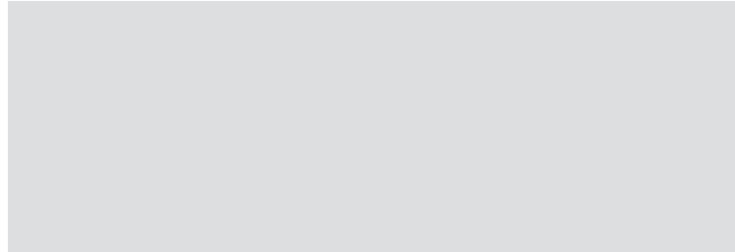
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Being more than 100 years old, the New Croton Aqueduct's tunnels and shafts are in serious need of rehabilitation. This aging infrastructure must be repaired in order to ensure the system will operate at current capacity into the future. Repairs to the New Croton Aqueduct are particularly important, particularly if the Croton supply is more heavily used when the City moves on to repair leaks in the Catskill and Delaware Aqueduct systems.

Croton Aqueduct Rehabilitation

Rehabilitation of the New Croton Aqueduct is being carried out in two phases.

▼ Phase I: Inspection and Evaluation

In accordance with the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), the New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) completed an Environmental Assessment Form (EAF) and issued a Negative Declaration on June 7, 2004. Inspection and evaluation of sections of the aqueduct and ancillary structures took place between June 2004 and June 2006. During Phase I inspection, water supply from the aqueduct was stopped during winter months and then resumed in the summer, when demand for water is greatest. Phase I of the project has already been completed.

► Phase II: Repairs

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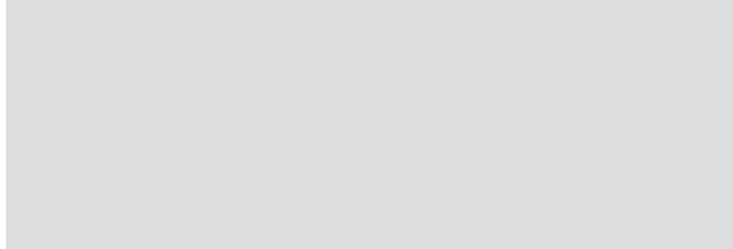
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Riverkeeper believes that access to clean, affordable drinking water must be a human right. In the interest of protecting human health and preserving freshwater ecosystems, filtration of public drinking water supplies should be considered as a last resort to be employed only when an unfiltered water supply poses an imminent threat to public health. Sound watershed protection programs not only safeguard human health and aquatic life but also are vastly more economical than filtration.

Watershed Protection Law

As a chief architect of the 1997 New York City Watershed Agreement, Riverkeeper managed to leverage a \$1.4 billion government program designed to protect a vast 2,000 square mile landscape. This plan was a coup, and a bargain for the City, as estimates for a filtration plant ranged to \$8 billion in capital construction costs alone.

Although the 1997 Watershed Agreement is an historic accomplishment with the potential to permanently protect New York's drinking water from decline, the agreement is not self-enforcing. Absent aggressive efforts by New York City and the other signatories to implement and enforce its provisions, the agreement will fail. As a signatory to and author of the agreement, Riverkeeper has a unique public role to ensure that the agreement succeeds and special authority to enforce and oversee its implementation.

1997 Watershed Agreement

The Watershed is protected by the historic 1997 Watershed Memorandum of Agreement, which was negotiated by New York City, New York State, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, watershed municipalities, and five environmental groups: Riverkeeper, New York Public Interest Research Group, Catskill Center, Trust for Public Land and Open Space Institute. The Watershed Agreement provides a framework by which the City can meet the requirements of the FAD. It is divided into three components: watershed regulations, land acquisition, and partnership programs. To download the full text of the agreement [Visit the Environmental Facilities Corporation >](#)

Filtration Avoidance Determination (FAD)

Safe Drinking Water Act

New Watershed Regulations

Watershed Protection Budget

New York City's watershed protection efforts demand full funding to protect this valuable resource for this and all future generations. Compared to the expense of a filtration plant, the City's watershed protection expenditures are a bargain. To date, the City's approximate \$1.5 billion investment in watershed protection has paid off: New York continues to enjoy some of the cleanest and least expensive drinking water in the world.

If New York City fails to demonstrate that it can continue to successfully protect the source of 90% of its water supply, the Catskill/Delaware (Cat/Del) system, then EPA will likely order New York City to build a filtration plant. And the price is steep: the cost of filtration for the Catskill/Delaware water supply is estimated at \$8-12 billion for construction with operating costs around \$350 million a year (\$1 million a day!). The practical consequences of that decision will be that water rates will rise even higher, and badly needed funds will be drained from essential City services such as police, infrastructure, health care, education, and transportation. And, worst of all, if a filtration plant is ever built, the City's watershed protection efforts will most likely fall by the wayside.

As part of the Clean Drinking Water Coalition, Riverkeeper advocates for City spending – for the City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), DEP police force, and watershed protection programs – that is necessary to fully protect source waters throughout the NYC Watershed.

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Water Quality

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Over the past hundred years, the tunnels that carry drinking water through New York City's distribution system have developed a substantial layer of biofilm – an aggregation of microorganisms. These micro-organisms secrete a protective sticky compound on the tunnel walls. Many organic contaminants which are-suspended or dissolved in the water passing through the tunnel, then adhere to the biofilm.

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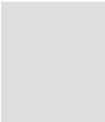
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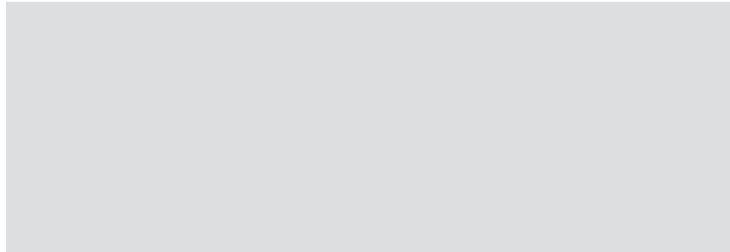
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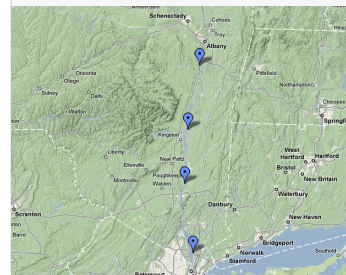
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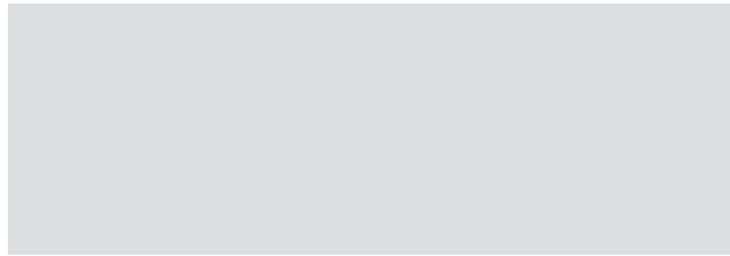
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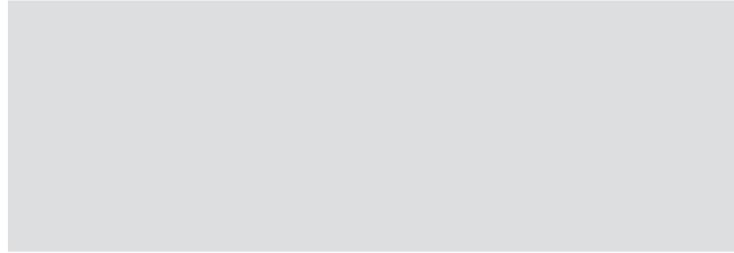
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During the 1700s, the colonists realized that the river was essential for the transport of troops and supplies and that if the British gained control of it, they would be able to divide and conquer the American forces. West Point, Fort Montgomery, Fort Clinton and Fort Constitution had all been built in the Bear Mountain region to prevent the British from advancing up the river. In 1778, colonists created the Great Chain, two-foot long iron links which stretched across the river between West Point and Constitution Island to prevent the British from sailing upriver from New York City. The British, however, never came that far up the river so the chain was never put to the test. General Benedict Arnold, in command of West Point, was offered 20,000 pounds sterling by the British if he would help them take control of the Hudson and in 1780, he attempted to surrender the fort to the British. Fortunately for the colonists, the plot was discovered when the American forces captured Major John André, the British officer to whom Arnold had passed plans for West Point. Arnold narrowly escaped to a British war ship. [Learn More >](#)

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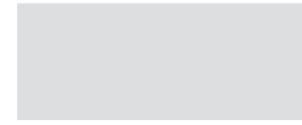
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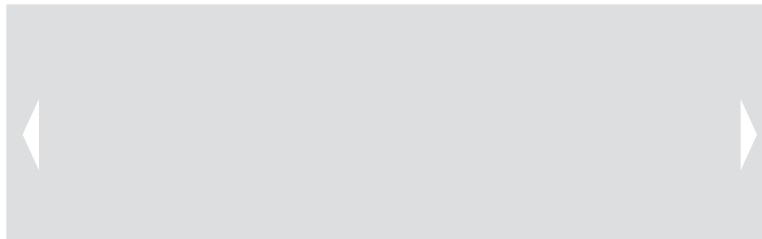
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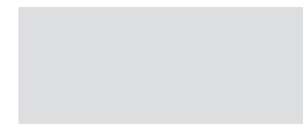
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Membership Level:

Membership Level:	Level 2: \$100 - \$249 (\$8.33-\$20.75 a Month)
Donation Amount:	\$150
Payment Plan:	Single Payment
Renewal Process:	Automatically renew membership
Donation Designation:	General Operations

Your Gift:

- Subscription to the Riverkeeper Journal
- Riverkeeper Water Bottle: Blue
- T-Shirt: Large
- Invitation to Riverkeeper Event: Shadfest

Gift Membership Level:

Membership Level:	Level 2: \$100 - \$249 (\$8.33-\$20.75 a Month)
Donation Amount:	\$150
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Gift Membership Gift:

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Membership Information

*First Name:	Firstname
*Last Name:	Lastname
* Email Address:	name@domain.com
* Password:	*****
* Re-type Password:	*****
Company:	Company Name
* Street 1:	123 Street Ave.
Street 2:	Apt. #
* City:	Brooklyn
* State/Province:	NY
* ZIP/Postal code:	11215
Daytime Phone:	(718) 555-1212
Evening Phone:	(718) 555-1212

Billing Information:

Use the above membership information as the billing information

Payment Information:

Credit Card Type:	VISA
*Credit Card Number:	XXXX-XXXX-XXXX-XXXX
*CVV Number:	XXX
*Expiration Date:	XX/XXXX

Gift Membership:

*First Name:	Firstname
*Last Name:	Lastname
* Email Address:	name@domain.com
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Give a Gift Membership

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Membership Level:

- *Select a Membership Level:
- Supporter: \$10 - \$99 (\$0.83-\$8.25 a Month)
 - Level 2: \$100 - \$249 (\$8.33-\$20.75 a Month)
 - Level 3: \$250 - \$499 (\$20.33-\$41.58 a Month)
 - Level 4: \$500 - \$999 (\$41.66-\$83.25 a Month)
 - Level 5: \$1,000 - \$4,999 (\$83.33-\$416.48 a Month)
 - Level 6: \$5,000 - \$9,999 (\$416.66-\$833.25 a Month)

*Enter Donation Amount:

*Select a Payment Plan: Single Payment 12 monthly payments

Renewal Process: Automatically renew membership Send a renewal reminder

Please Designate this donation to:

Your Gift:

To thank you for your generous donation, we offer you the following gifts. You can also choose to decline any of these items and designate your donation in full to Riverkeeper.

- Subscription to the Riverkeeper Journal
- Riverkeeper Bumper Sticker
- Riverkeeper Water Bottle
Choose a Color:

Membership Information:

*First Name:

*Last Name:

*Email Address: Yes, I would like to receive email updates from Riverkeeper.
Hint: Password must be minimum 6 characters.

* Password:

* Re-type Password:

Company:

* Street 1:

Street 2:

* City:

* State/Province:

* ZIP/Postal code:

Daytime Phone:

Evening Phone:

Billing Information:

Use the above membership information as the billing information

*First Name:

*Last Name:

*Street 1:

Street 2:

*City:

*State/Province:

*ZIP/Postal Code:

Country:

*Email Address:

Payment Information:

Credit Card Type:

*Credit Card Number:

*CVV Number: [What is this?](#)

*Expiration Date:

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3,450

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\$24,500

raised

768

new members joined

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Donate

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Donation Amount:

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*Enter Donation Amount:

*Select a Payment Plan: Single Payment 12 monthly payments

Renewal Process: Automatically renew membership Send a renewal reminder

Please Designate this donation to: General Operations

Billing Information:

*First Name:

*Last Name:

*Street 1:

Street 2:

*City:

*State/Province: --

*ZIP/Postal Code:

Country: United States

*Email Address:

Payment Information:

Credit Card Type:

*Credit Card Number:

*CVV Number: [What is this?](#)

*Expiration Date: 10 2008

Membership:

Become a member today and get a thank you gift with your donation. You can also sign up and get free updates via email or mail. Sed ut perspiciatis unde omnis iste natus error sit voluptatem accusantium doloremque laudantium, totam rem aperiam, eaque ipsa quae ab illo inventore veritatis et quasi architecto beatae vitae dicta sunt.

Yes, I would like to become a member No, I'm not ready to become a member

Use the above membership information as the billing information

*First Name:

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Company:

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Donation Amount:	\$150
Payment Plan:	Single Payment
Renewal Process:	Automatically renew membership
Donation Designation:	General Operations

Billing Information:

*First Name:	Firstname
*Last Name:	Lastname
*Street 1:	123 Street Name
Street 2:	Apt #
*City:	New York
*State/Province:	NY
*ZIP/Postal Code:	10001
Country:	Manhattan
*Email Address:	Email: firstname@email.com

Payment Information:

Credit Card Type:	VISA
*Credit Card Number:	XXXX-XXXX-XXXX-XXXX
*CVV Number:	XXX
*Expiration Date:	XX/XXXX

Membership:

Membership: Yes, I would like to become a member

*First Name:	Firstname
*Last Name:	Lastname
Company:	Company Name
* Street 1:	123 Street Ave.
Street 2:	Apt. #
* City:	Brooklyn
* State/Province:	NY
* ZIP/Postal code:	11215
Daytime Phone:	(718) 555-1212
Evening Phone:	(718) 555-1212
* Email Address:	name@domain.com
Email Updates:	Yes
* Password:	*****
* Re-type Password:	*****

Gift Membership Gift:

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- Riverkeeper Bumper Sticker

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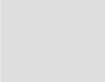
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Email:

Password:

Remember Me

Member Settings

Member Information

*First Name: Firstname
*Last Name: Lastname
Company: Company Name

Address

* Street 1: 123 Street Ave.
Street 2: Apt. #
* City: Brooklyn
* State/Province: NY
* ZIP/Postal code: 11215

Phone Number(s):

Daytime Phone: (718) 555-1212
Evening Phone: (718) 555-1212

Email Preferences

* Email Address: name@domain.com
Email Updates: Yes
Email Format: HTML

Log-In Information

* Password: *****
Password Hint: Hint word

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Company:

Address

* Street 1:

Street 2:

* City:

* State/Province:

* ZIP/Postal code:

Phone Number(s):

Daytime Phone:

Evening Phone:

Email Preferences

* Email Address:

Email Updates: Yes No

Email Format: HTML Plain Text

Log-In Information

* Password:

Password Hint:

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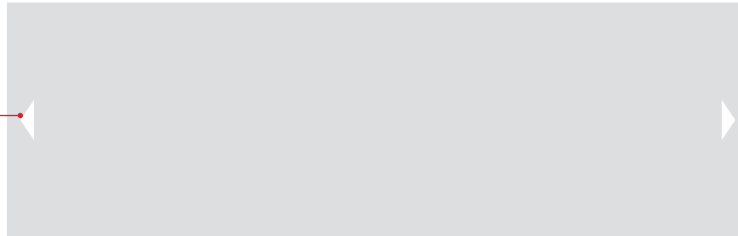
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At Riverkeeper we appreciate and depend on the ongoing support our volunteers provide us with. A variety of opportunities exist for you to contribute to our continued success. Riverkeeper has a volunteer position for you as long as you have the passion. To sign up and for more information, contact Heartie Look directly at: hlook@riverkeeper.org

Volunteer at Events

3rd Annual New York Water Fest

Riverkeeper is seeking a strong team of volunteers to ensure that it's 3rd annual Water Fest is on of the best fall events on the Hudson!

Volunteers may work on the logistics team, land crew, or clean up crew. There will be 3 four hour shifts from 8 a.m. through 6 p.m. This opportunity is fun, outdoors, and active! Come take in the fall air and help us educate all New Yorkers about the importance of their Hudson River in the history, culture, arts, and commerce of New York, as well as the sources of and threats to their drinking water sources!

To sign up and for more information, visit the website: www.nywaterfest.org or contact Heartie Look directly at: hlook@riverkeeper.org.

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Event Name

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Internships are mentioned briefly here, with a link to full descriptions in About / Internships.

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- > Lorem ipsum sit amet volunteering?

Contact Info

VOLUNTEER CONTACT
Heartie Look
e: hlook@riverkeeper.org
p: 914.422.4437

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Volunteer Information

*First Name:

*Last Name:

Company:

Address

* Street 1:

Street 2:

* City:

* State/Province:

* ZIP/Postal code:

Phone Number(s):

Daytime Phone:

Evening Phone:

Email Preferences

* Email Address:

Email Updates: Yes No

Email Format: HTML Plain Text

Volunteer Interests

Contact me for:

<input type="checkbox"/> All Volunteer Opportunities	<input type="checkbox"/> Riverkeeper Docents
<input type="checkbox"/> Events	<input type="checkbox"/> Office Assistance
<input type="checkbox"/> Construction Watch	<input type="checkbox"/> Internships

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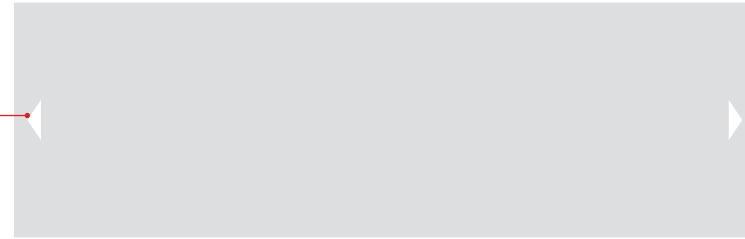
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About the Program:

The Watchdog Program fulfills the Riverkeeper mission by creating a more educated and informed force of activists on the Hudson River and its tributaries. Our goals are to enlist citizen volunteers to act as volunteer representatives of Riverkeeper in their communities, to empower them with the tools and knowledge necessary to bring an end to persistent pollution sources, and to deploy them as our eyes and ears on their specific waterways. Watchdogs will ultimately enable us to monitor every tributary and river segment as each will be responsible for his or her own waterway. Once constrained by a lack of internal resources, Riverkeeper will soon be in the position to become an agent for change in areas of persistent concern. These areas include remote tributaries, low-income and minority communities, and neglected segments of the Hudson itself. Watchdogs will serve as volunteer representatives of Riverkeeper in their communities.

Once volunteers become Watchdogs, we will work with the them to address pollution threats to their waterways from specific or unascertained polluters, employing all the tools of environmental advocacy including litigation. Such shared tasks will include investigations, evidence compilation, follow-up monitoring, assistance with litigation, public advocacy, and fundraising. Several of our more experienced watchdogs will be able to act more autonomously as stewards for their particular cases. Most cases generated by watchdogs will be handled by our staff of powerhouse attorneys or the Pace Environmental Litigation Clinic at Pace University School of Law in White Plains. Our ongoing alliance with the Clinic and its 10 law students provides us substantial us pro-bono legal services each semester. Cases not handled internally due to resource constraints or the weakness of the case will be referred to state and federal government agencies for enforcement.

There is no prototypical Watchdog. The range of existing river advocates is broad and reflects all educational levels, cultural backgrounds, political affiliations, income brackets, employment fields, and degrees of environmental passion. Watchdogs can also be existing partner organizations and school groups with dedicated teachers. The program embraces all types of people and asks that volunteers be diligent and trustworthy representatives of the organization.

The requirements to become a Riverkeeper Watchdog are complete the one day training program, a willingness and passion to protect our water resources, and to adhere to the basic principles of Riverkeeper.

Report a Violation:

call: 1-800-21-RIVER ext.247
email: watchdog@riverkeeper.org

Violations Outside Riverkeepers Scope:

Issues or violation that occur outside of Riverkeeper's geographical focus please contact the Waterkeeper Alliance at:
Tel: 914.674.0622
info1@waterkeeper.org

Publications

FULL REPORT:
"Our Eyes and Ears of the River"

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Over 250 calls were made in the past year reporting polluters.

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► Normal Activity

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Basic Information

First Name:

Last Name:

Your Email:

Source of Pollution:
(if any)

Description of Incident:
(incl. times; dates; odors;
visual; people interviewed;
things observed):

Incident Location

Waterbody:

Landmark:

Address:

Municipality:

County:

State:

GPS Coordinates:

Date, Time & Conditions

Date Observed:

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Minimize Your Impact

The key to reducing regional greenhouse gas emissions is to change the way we, as residents of New York State, use our resources. This requires active participation by apartment dwellers, homeowners, business owners, and school officials alike.

There is no better time than now to consider how we use our resources on a daily basis and to improve our practices accordingly. If we all do our part, small changes at home, work, and school can bring huge payoffs – economically and environmentally.

Conserve Water

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Green Tip #35

It is best to water when the sun is down in order to prevent fast evaporation and early morning is best in order to prevent disease. [Read more tips like this >](#)

Green Tip #28

Turn down your water heater thermostat; 120 degrees is usually hot enough. [Read more tips like this >](#)

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Conserve Water

Did you know?

- The average household uses approximately 350 gallons of water per day.
- The average United States citizen uses approximately 90-100 gallons per day.
- The average New Yorker uses approximately 136.6 gallons per day.
- The average European uses about 53 gallons per day.
- About 14% of water households pay for each day is never used due to leaks and running water.
- About 74% of water used in the house is from the bathroom.
- Utilizing indigenous plants for landscaping can save more than 50% of water normally applied to landscape purposes.

Water Conservation Tips

Here are some easy tips that can be done around the house to conserve water:

▼ Bathroom

- Turn off the faucet when brushing teeth, lathering face, or shaving.
- Replace old faucet aerators with newer, more efficient models. Aerators can release 1 gallon per minute (gpm) or less compared to the average 3 – 5 gpm. The typical aerator is priced between \$2 and \$5. Many aerators have switches that turn off water flow without changing the temperature.
- Do not throw garbage or hazardous waste into the toilet.
- Replace old toilets with newer models that use less water per flush. Older toilets use from about 3.5 to 7 gallons per flush (gpf) depending upon the year of manufacturing. Toilets with an average of 1.6 gpf, price from about \$75 - > \$150, depending upon the flush technique. Also available are dual flush toilets that use one flush for liquid and another for solids. This way the minimum amount of water is used. These toilets run from \$240 - \$ 520, depending upon the model.
- Replace old showerheads with new, more efficient models. Try to find a showerhead that uses less than 2.5 gallons per minute (gpm) compared to the average 4.5 gpm. These can cost as little as \$2.
- Keep a bucket in the shower to collect excess water; this can be used for watering purposes.

▶ Kitchen

▶ Laundry

▶ Outside

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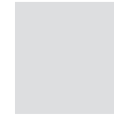
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Your Public Access

A clean Hudson River is essential to the ecological health of the region. But its value is greatly enhanced if we have access to it. Public access to the Hudson has been severely restricted for the last century. Riverkeeper has made it one of its priority goals to work with the State, the railroad and the River towns to increase responsible public access to the River.

Is access being denied?

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- Yes / Where?
- No

Tell us how you use the river:

- Fish
- Swim
- Kayak
- Other:

Help us identify new access locations:

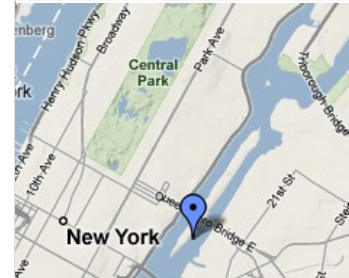
Where else would you like safe, legal access to the River. As positive as it was, the Governor's Task Force looked at only 26 sites on the Hudson's east shore, from NYC to Poughkeepsie. Where else along the vast Hudson River should new public access be created?

What kind of access should it be?

- Fishing
- Swimming
- Hand-power boat launch
- Trailable boats
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Many of our city water pipes and sewers were installed in the early part of the 20th century, some as far back as the Civil War. As the systems age and population grows, more and more leaks develop and sewage overflows into our streams, rivers, lakes and oceans, creating serious public health hazards.

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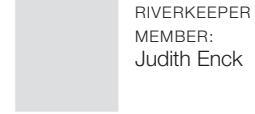
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▼ Bring the Hudson River to Your Spiritual Community

Over the last twelve months, Riverkeeper has been active in the Hudson River Project spearheaded by the Garrison Institute. The project is a place-based initiative that focuses on the sacredness of the Hudson River estuary system with the goal of bringing together diverse religious and environmental leaders with their communities in a unified coalition to work on behalf of the River. [Read more >](#)

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\$24,500
raised

768
new members attended

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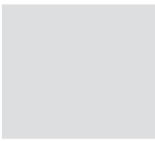
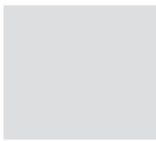
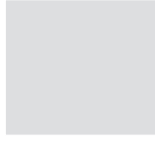
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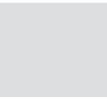
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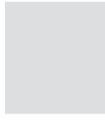
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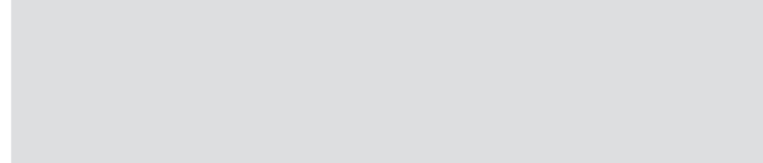
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At a press conference with Queens City Councilman Gennaro today, Riverkeeper called on Governor Paterson to designate the New York City Watershed permanently "off-limits" for natural gas drilling. [Learn More >](#)

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Riverkeeper and Councilman Eric Gioia Take Aim at Concrete Polluters on Newtown Creek

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: September 4, 2008
 Contacts: Craig Michaels, Riverkeeper, 917.579.5582
 Eric Koch, NYC Councilman Eric Gioia, 617.733.6891

NYCON Allegedly Dumping Concrete Illegally in Newtown Creek
 NEW YORK- Today, the environmental watchdog group Riverkeeper and New York City Councilman Eric Gioia (D-Queens), Chair of the City Council Committee on Oversight and Investigations, announced legal action against a major concrete manufacturer on Newtown Creek for violations of federal environmental laws. They are alleging that NYCON Supply Corporation, located in Long Island City, Queens, has been illegally discharging concrete waste without a permit into a tributary of the heavily polluted Newtown Creek, in violation of both the Clean Water Act and the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA).

Newtown Creek, the site of a massive oil spill, is one of the most polluted waterways in the United States. During its routine patrols of NYC waterways, Riverkeeper has observed NYCON dumping concrete waste into the Dutch Kills tributary of Newtown Creek without a required Clean Water Act permit. Riverkeeper also observed piles of gravel and layers of concrete covering the riverbed adjacent to the NYCON facility.

Today, Riverkeeper filed a Notice of Intent to Sue NYCON. In addition to the lack of a Clean Water Act permit, Riverkeeper also believes that the current discharge of NYCON's waste constitutes an imminent and substantial endangerment to health and environment under RCRA. Both the Clean Water Act and RCRA authorize citizen groups to sue polluters, subjecting potential violators to up to \$32,500 in penalties per day per violation.

"The pollution issues confronting Newtown Creek and other waterways surrounding New York City cannot be fully addressed without enforcing environmental laws and holding polluters accountable for their actions," said Riverkeeper Investigator Craig Michaels. "We will continue to work with elected officials and government agencies to track down and prosecute environmental lawbreakers who threaten the environmental and public health of our communities."

"For too long, Newtown Creek has been the forgotten waterway of New York City, and polluters have taken advantage by dumping with impunity," said Councilman Eric Gioia. "We're here today to send a strong message that that we will not stand for more dumping and more pollution in the creek. Polluters, beware: we are watching, we are vigilant, and we will go after you."

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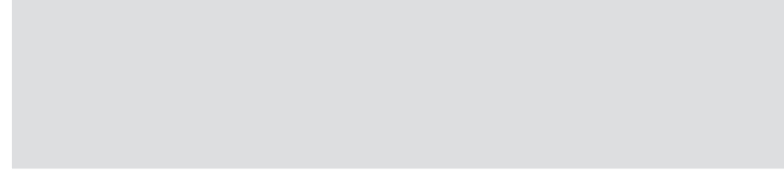
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New York Water Fest



WHEN: Sunday October 12th, 2008
WHERE: Contacts: North Cove Marina, NYC
EVENT WEBSITE: www.nywaterfest.org

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Water City:

Featuring live music, great food, wellness and relaxation tents and New York's leading clean water advocates ready to answer your water questions and challenge you to Take Back the Tap. At North Cove Marina, overlooking the Hudson River, open 12 - 5pm.

Paddle Rally:

A full day of on-water activities that allow first-time, beginner and advanced paddlers to safely experience the dynamic water of the lower Hudson River in NY Harbor with friends and other paddlers.

Big Apple Splash:

Raft down the Hudson River with friends, family and a certified professional guide as part of this 5-mile raft flotilla from Pier 96 to Water City at North Cove Marina. Each raft can hold 10-12 paddlers. No experience required.

Kayak Poker Run:

Play to win as part of this paddle rally that travels to five different locations on the Hudson River playing Five Card Draw. Paddle at your own pace and arrive at Water City, North Cove Marina, to pick up your final card by 3:00pm. Cash prizes will be awarded to the paddlers with the highest and lowest poker hands. From 10am to 3pm. Paddling experience required.

Floating Meditation:

Allow your spirit to soar while floating in a kayak on nature's moving energy - water. Join the creator of Floating Meditation in this two-hour program that combines world-class paddling instruction and a guided meditation. At Pier 40, 8am - 10am for experienced paddlers and 11am - 1pm. For beginning paddlers.

Walk Up Kayaking:

Enjoy a free 20-minute sit-on-top kayaking program, provided by the Downtown Boathouse from 9am - 6pm at their Pier 40 or Pier 96 locations. No experience required.

Skill Demonstrations:

View and learn about the sport of kayaking. Rolling, edging, bracing, equipment overview and a flatwater/whitewater playboat session will be demonstrated throughout the day at North Cove Marina.

Beginner Kayak Lesson:

For the beginner and novice seeking a quick introduction to the foundations of safe and efficient sea paddling. Introduction to the marine environment, sea kayak safety and design, equipment and paddling basics. At Pier 40, 9:30am -12:30pm.

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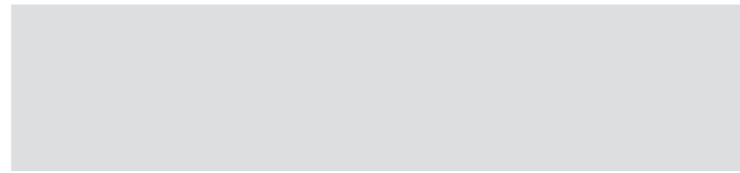
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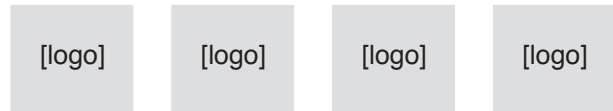
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people attended

\$24,500

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768

new members attended

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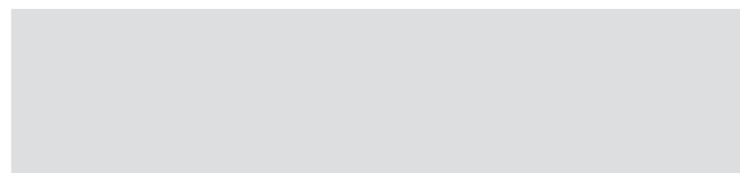
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