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Financial Report - FY2013

### RIVERSIDE PARK CONSERVANCY

Beginning Balance 01/01/2013 \$ 1,144.46

2013 Revenue

Memberships\$ 1,623.00Personal donations2,000.00Corporate contributions30.00Foundation grants5,500.00Government grants1,047.00Program income815.25

Total 2013 Income \$10,978.30

2013 Expenditures

Insurance \$1,596.00
Project expenditures 6,687.89
Office expenses 87.60
Events 408.70
Bank/online fees 38.07

**Total 2013 Expenditures** \$ 8,818.26

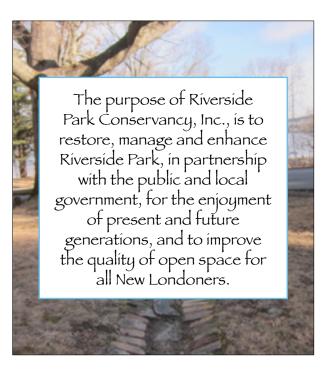
Ending Balance 12/31/2013 \$ 3,304.50

#### RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY GARDEN

2013 Program fees \$ 270.00 Bank Interest .12 Balance 12/31/13 \$ 270.12

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## A LOOK BACK AT 2013

## Projects Partnerships

#### **Restroom Renovation**

Thanks to grants from Community Foundation and New London Water Authority, RPC has nearly completed restoration of the park's upper restroom: repairing the building; replacing roof, windows, doors, and locks; painting inside and out; installing all new, water-saving fixtures. Look for the restroom to be in use in 2014!



#### **Peace Pollinator Butterfly Garden**

Students from Drop-In Learning Center bicycled to the park twice a week during the summer to join RPC volunteers as they transformed a patch of lawn into a garden bed with bee- and butterfly-friendly native plants. The project was funded by Captain Planet, a foundation that encourages young people to engage in outdoor activities and become environmental stewards.





#### **Picnic Areas**

Riverside Park Conservancy utilized Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding to purchase charcoal grills in order to create additional picnic facilities in the park. Also, the park's picnic tables and benches were repaired and repainted by local students as part of an Eagle Scout project.

#### **Riverside Community Garden**

FRESH New London provided the funding to create a new Community Garden adjacent to Riverside Park. The first in northeast New London, the 36 raised beds were rented for \$10 each by neighborhood residents, and were also utilized by local youth organizations to grow organic vegetables and flowers.



#### Riverside Rain Garden

New London Landmarks partnered with Riverside Park Conservancy to plant an educational Rain Garden which replaced invasive plants with natives. The garden will aid in stormwater treatment and allow the uncovering of the park's historic network of stone runnels. The project was funded by the New London Water Authority Foundation.



The Riverside Park Conservancy is a community-based nonprofit organization and is not part of city government. Recognized as a public charity under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, contributions are tax deductible to the full extent allowed by law.

### Events

Saturday, May 3
MAYDAY! MAYDAY! Community Service Day

Sunday, June 2
Connecticut Trails Day NATURE WALK

Sunday, June 9
YALE-HARVARD REGATTA Brunch in the Park

Saturday, August 24 Community Clean-Up with Conn College Freshmen



Saturday, September 14
3rd Annual "DOWN BY THE RIVERSIDE" Festival



Saturday, October 19
"SCENES FROM RIVERSIDE PARK"
Reception for Plein Air Paintings

