



Friends of Caesar Creek is a not-for-profit volunteer organization dedicated to educating the public about the natural resources of the Caesar Creek Lake Region.

They support the educational, scientific, and historical activities of the region by offering various workshops and programs and operating regional interest book carts and educational materials at the Caesar Creek Lake Visitor Center.



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- The Friends of Caesar Creek is hosted at the Visitor Center and conducts its educational programs from this facility.



- FOCC began in 1985, with \$300 and 30 members, now FOCC has 65 members.
- In 2014 we were over \$157,000 now after many donations for the area were are down to \$112,000.



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Most income comes from a small bookcart and the Combined Federal Campaign.



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Some of our accomplishments

- Playground 2007
- Fitness trail 2013
- Pollinator Handshake winner 2017
- Building inspirational for design –won the corps foundation grant
- Caesar Creek Orientation Movie
- Small displays
- Water Safety Towels –Water Safety Congress Grant
- Program Support: Take A Warrior Fishing, Junior Rangers, Scout badges, Monarch Tags, Trilling Toads, CBC, BioBlitz
- Gift Shop, Soda Machine

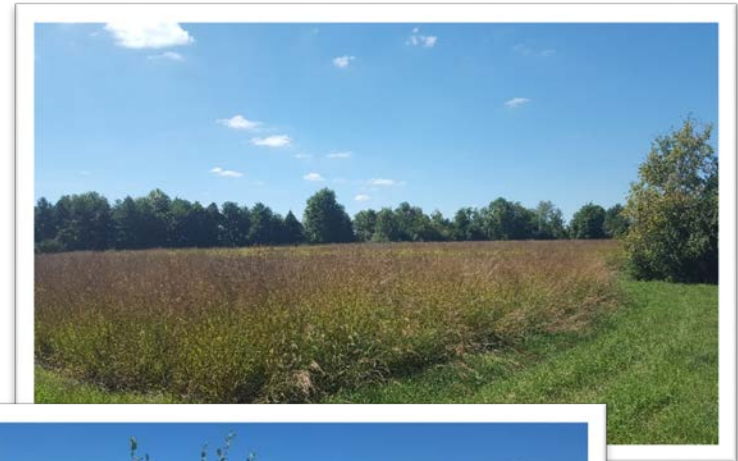


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2017 Handshake winner



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	Local Corps Office	Handshake Funds	Partner 1 Department of Natural Resources Div. of Wildlife	Partner 2 Ohio Friends of Caesar Creek	Partner 3 Ohio Natural Areas and Preserves Association	Partner 4 Cincinnati Chapter of the Native Plant Society
Salaries	\$2,500	N/A	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Travel	\$0	N/A	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Materials and Supplies	\$0	\$13,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Equipment Use	\$0	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0	\$0
Funds Contributed	N/A	N/A	\$0	\$12,000	\$0	\$500
Personal Property	N/A	N/A	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Volunteer	N/A	N/A	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,000
In-Kind Services	N/A	N/A	\$0	\$0	\$3,000	\$0
Other (explain below)	\$0	\$5,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$2,500	\$20,000	\$2,000	\$14,000	\$3,000	\$3,500
Share of Total Cost	5.3%	42.6%	4.3%	29.8%	6.4%	7.4%
	47.9%					
	Partner 5 Boy Scouts of America	Partner 6	Partner 7	Partner 8	Partner 9	Partner 10
Salaries	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Travel	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Materials and Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Equipment Use	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Funds Contributed	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Personal Property	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Volunteer	\$2,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
In-Kind Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (explain below)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$2,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Share of Total Cost	4.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0
	Partner 11	Partner 12	Partner 13	Partner 14	Partner 15	Total
Salaries	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,500
Travel	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Materials and Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$13,000
Equipment Use	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,000
Funds Contributed	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$12,500
Personal Property	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Volunteer	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,000
In-Kind Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,000
Other (explain below)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,000
Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$47,000
Share of Total Cost	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	6.00%



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FOCC is a 3X Handshake Award winner

- Construction of a new playground facility at the existing recreation area at Caesar Creek Lake Visitor Center.



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	Corps	Handshake Funds	Partner 1	Partner 2	Partner 3	Total
Salaries	\$7,000	N/A	n/a			\$7,000
Travel	n/a	N/A	n/a			\$0
Materials and Supplies	\$7,000	\$10,000	\$15,000			\$32,000
Equipment Use	n/a	n/a	n/a			\$0
Cash/Funds	n/a	N/A	n/a			\$0
Personal Property	n/a	N/A	n/a			\$0
Volunteer Services	n/a	N/A	n/a			\$0
Other (explain on next line)	n/a	N/A	n/a			\$0
Total	\$14,000	\$10,000	\$15,000	\$0	\$0	\$39,000
Share of Total Cost	35.9%	25.6%	38.5%	0.0%	0.0%	100%



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Fitness trail



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Welcome to the Fitness Trail at Caesar Creek Lake



Equipment at Station 3:

- Squat Press
- Balance Steps
- Pull-up/Dip



Fitness Equipment

Equipment at Station 2:
Chest/Back Press
Plyometrics
AB Crunch/Leg Lift



Vine Climbers



Spider Climber



Equipment at Station 1:

- Assisted Row/Push-up
- Tai Chi Wheels
- Cardio Stepper



Fitness Equipment



Tree Climbers



Fitness Equipment



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- FOCC applied and won a Water safety congress grant of \$500.00. Friends matched the money and we were able to purchase these wonderful water safety towels, some of which were thrown into the crowd at a Cincinnati Reds game.



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Wood carved fish were provided for the small auditorium walls to create an interpretive, sculptured mural of sport and other important fishes of Caesar Creek Lake and Tailwater. The cost for the entire display including 18 fish 2 ½ time actual size and a school of 30 small shad was \$4220.



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Junior Rangers



Jr. Rangers is a four day program for children between the ages of 6 and 12 years old. The program is designed to help children gain a better understanding of the environment and the role they play in it.

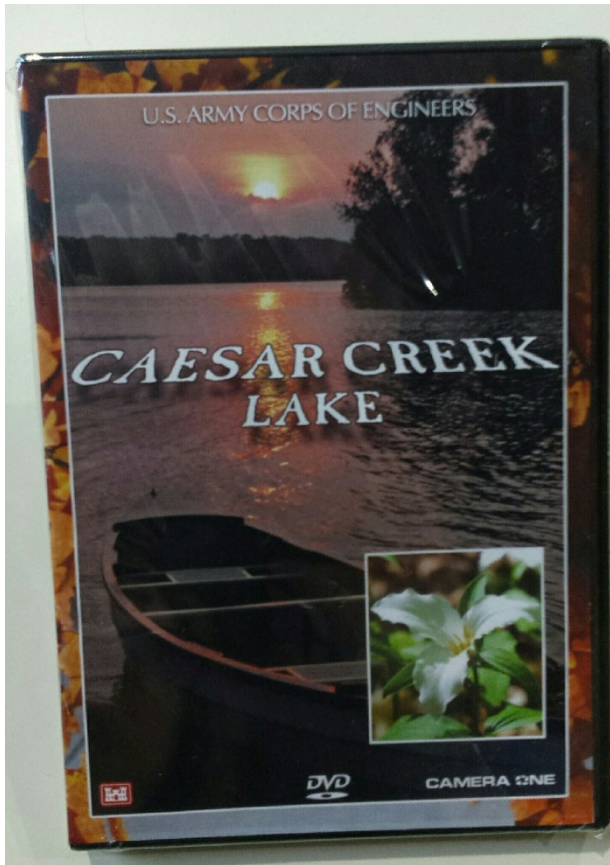


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Caesar Creek Film was completed summer of 2014. Friends of Caesar Creek donated and then donated the film to the Visitor Center. A total of \$50,000 was paid for the production of this HD film directed by Camera One.



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Take A Warrior Fishing- The Department of Veterans Affairs and Friends of Caesar Creek Lake were able raise \$9,358.22 for the event.



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The Annual Caesar Creek Lake / Spring Valley Marsh Christmas Bird Count. Visitors break into teams and search for waterfowl and songbirds. Then meet at the Visitor Center for a hot lunch sponsored by the Friends of Caesar Creek.



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