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# **Dear Manomet Friends:**

We are proud to present our 2014 Annual Report. We have achieved many important accomplishments this past year, and we are excited to share them with you.

We are also celebrating our new look and language, which has unified our organization and helps us to better advance our mission and programs. Our logo and tagline present an organization that is fresh, modern, energetic, optimistic, confident, and moving boldly into the 21st century.

Here at Manomet, we believe people can live and work today in ways that will enable our world to thrive and prosper tomorrow. However, creating a thriving and prosperous world with finite resources is one of the biggest challenges of our time. To take on a challenge this big, most people will need to be a part of the solution. The good news is, the vast majority of people want a thriving future and are willing to act.

By applying science and engaging people, Manomet provides practical ways to act—where people live and work. As you will see throughout this report, Manomet is working with people in their communities to make it easier for them to become involved and be part of creating important solutions.

Manomet is an organization committed to excellence, with a clear vision and a passion for delivering outstanding results. We appreciate your support of our mission and programs; there is much to celebrate. And we ask for your continued support because there is still much to do.



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# **Climate Services Key Accomplishments**

- The Climate Smart Land Network (CSLN) is composed of forest landowners and managers, working together to respond to the challenges and opportunities posed by climate change. During FY 2014, the CSLN transitioned from a pilot phase to full project status. All of the forestry organizations that participated in the pilot phase (Lyme Timber Company, Hull Forest Products, New England Forestry Foundation, Baskahegan Company, and Small Woodlot Owners Association of Maine) officially joined the CSLN and brought the network to over eight million acres.
- Manomet's climate change adaptation plan for the Taunton River watershed in Southeastern Massachusetts is being used by the Environmental Protection

Agency to identify and prioritize projects that will increase the watershed's health and resilience.

- CSLN now has a website at www.climatesmartnetwork.org and has launched a monthly Climate Bulletin series for members of the network. The bulletins are available on the website.
- The Climate Services staff have presented several workshops and presentations to organizations such as the Gulf of Maine Council's Climate Network, the Massachusetts Green Career Conference and the Southern New England Planning Conference.

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- Manomet's Grocery Stewardship Certification experienced significant growth throughout the country. 181 Hannaford stores completed the certification and 165 Weis stores began in the Mid-Atlantic States. In addition, a pilot program was completed with HyVee, an employee-owned chain with stores across the Midwest and Plains states (IA, KS, NE, MN, SD, MO, IL).
- The Downeast Fisheries Partnership hosted an important "Defining Success" workshop at the Schoodic Institute. At the meeting, critical work was done to develop an overall plan that created a "portrait" of what a thriving, diversified, sustainable fishing industry would look like in Downeast Maine. A \$250,000 grant from the Elmina B. Sewall Foundation was secured and will be shared with our partners, the Penobscot East Resources Center and the Downeast Salmon Federation, to continue with this priority project.
- Manomet's Root360, www.root360.org, is an online gateway for businesses to benchmark and improve their sustainable business practices. It was created through our Small Business Sustainability project. This web portal includes a benchmarking tool, impact calculators, a resource library, and the ability to connect with business counselors through Small Business Development Centers (SBDC) or consultants for deeper levels of engagement. Pilot programs have been initiated with chambers of commerce and SBDCs in Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Maine.
- The Heal Eddy Restoration Project is a pioneering initiative to restore subproductive clam flats. This scientific project involves testing protective netting over the flats to exclude the predatory green crab. This invasive crab of European origin has been decimating softshell clam populations throughout Maine. The crab threatens both the natural ecosystem and the shell-fish industry.

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# **Landbird Conservation Key Accomplishments**

• The Landbird Conservation Program was awarded a prestigious \$450,000 grant from the National Science Foundation to our Climate Lab project in Massachusetts. The four year grant will be shared with the very respected TERC (Technical Education Research Centers) of Cambridge, MA. Climate Lab is designed to give middle school students a local field experience collecting and analyzing data on biotic and abiotic indicators of climate change.

In the fall, the first Climate Lab workshop was held at our headquarters for 13 teachers from five schools. After classroom instruction, they went out in the field to learn how to set up transects and establish climate labs at their school sites. Over the course of the next three years, the goal will be to scale this program nationally.

- Banding Lab Director Trevor Lloyd-Evans authored a new paper in Studies in Avian Biology with colleagues from Boston University on the timing of migration as correlated with climate change. Several other research projects sought out Manomet's data for publications based on our 45+ years of research and expertise.
- Our Banding Lab handled more than 3,000 birds and banded more than 2,000 new birds during fall migration. The team again surpassed the 1,000 visitor-mark for the calendar year. Visiting groups represented all ages, from elementary students having field trips to graduate students and seniors. And the acclaimed artist Yola Monakhov also returned to photograph migratory warblers.

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# **Shorebird Recovery Key Accomplishments**

- Our Habitats for Shorebirds project engages wetlands managers in the field.
   Our staff is working with them on how to recognize, plan for and mitigate climate change impacts to their properties. At the same time, they are learning how to integrate and implement shorebird habitat improvements into their current management practices. Manomet is increasing the pace and scale of on-the-ground shorebird conservation in all four Western Hemisphere Flyways: Atlantic, Mississippi, Central, and Pacific.
- The Executive Office of the Western Hemisphere Shorebird Reserve Network (WHSRN) is housed at Manomet. In the fall of 2014, WHSRN announced the addition of the 90th designated WHSRN site— Bahia de Tobari—on the eastern side of the Gulf of California, in Sonora, Mexico. Bahia de Tobari is a site of International Importance.
- Our Arctic field teams recovered 41 of 190 geolocators from Semipalmated Sandpipers tagged in 2013. The data from all the geolocators were analyzed and show remarkable details of the longdistance migrations of this species. A major gift was received to continue this work next year with additional geolocators to be deployed on birds at Coats Island, Canada.
- The 2014 field season marks the fifth consecutive year of elevated nesting success for the American Oystercatchers on the Atlantic Coast. Shorebird Recovery staff are building on the achievement of the Oystercatcher project by helping to design a much broader program for all species using the entire Atlantic Flyway, led by the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation.

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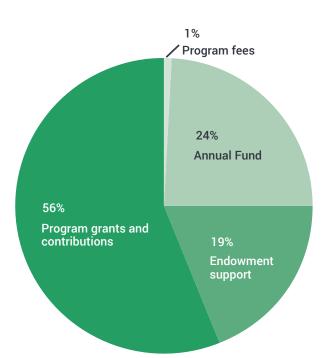
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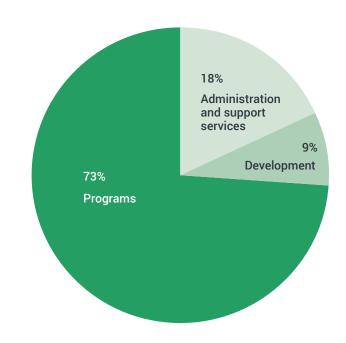
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# **Operating Revenue**



# **Operating Expenses**



# **Overview Statement of Financial Position**

		Year ended 9/30/14		Year ended 9/30/13
ASSETS				
Cash	\$	3,217,000		1,796,000
Receivables and pledges		1,698,000		2,498,000
Investments		21,391,000		20,309,000
Other assets		16,000		142,000
Land, buildings, and equipment		843,000		854,000
Total assets	\$ _	27,166,000	\$ _	25,599,000
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS LIABILITIES:				
Payables and liabilities	\$	397,000	\$	396,000
Deferred revenue	_	233,000	_	275,000
Total liabilities	_	630,000	_	671,000
NET ASSETS:				
Unrestricted		5,508,000		5,332,000
Temporarily restricted		5,354,000		4,397,000
Permanently restricted	_	15,673,000	_	15,199,000
Total net assets		26,536,000	_	24,928,000
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ _	27,166,000	\$ _	25,599,000

# **Statement of Activities**

	Year ended 9/30/14	Year ended 9/30/13
Operating revenue		
Program grants and contributions	\$ 2,361,000	\$ 2,527,000
Annual Fund and membership	1,014,000	941,000
Program fees	42,000	46,000
Endowment support	812,000	943,000
Total operating revenue	4,230,000	4,458,000
Expenses		
Conservation science programs	3,066,000	3,344,000
Administration and support services	779,000	865,000
Development	380,000	246,000
Total expenses	4,225,000	4,455,000
Net	\$ 5,000	\$ 3,000

# fellowships

Annually, Manomet staff are awarded the following fellowships through a competitive process. They have been named to honor those who have been significant in the building of this organization.

# Emily "Paddy" V. Wade **Fellowship for Science**

Stephen Brown for Semipalmated Sandpiper geolocator project on Coats Island

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Andy Whitman for the science of dairy agriculture sustainability

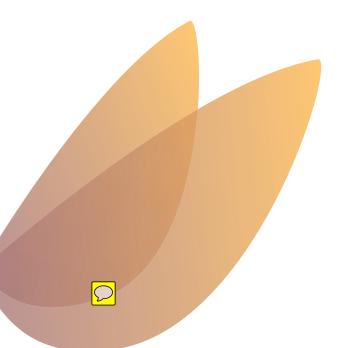
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The Widewater Society is a group of individuals who have pledged to give Manomet future support through bequests or other deferred gifts. The Widewater Society was started in 2003. It is named after the house on the bluff ("Widewater"), generously donated by the Ernst family, where Manomet is still headquartered. We are grateful to the following Widewater Society members who have made a beguest or planned gift to Manomet.

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