

Boston Inspiring Connections Outdoors 2016 Report



Dear Friends,

We hope 2017 is treating you well and that you have been on some outdoor trips yourself! In 2016, Boston ICO partnered with four Boston-area community organizations to get kids outdoors – exploring and connecting with their natural world. We found our way across eastern Massachusetts and to California (!).

In July 2016, we took three participants and one staff member from our partner agency, Zumix, on a Sierra Club Service Trip to the Trinity Alps of Northern California. Over the course of eight days (and seven nights) in the backcountry the crew joined other volunteers to replace an eroded section of trail leading to East Boulder Lake. Thank you to Sierra Club's National ICO for making the trip possible, and to Allison Rieck, Boston ICO volunteer extraordinaire, for leading the trip!

2016 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

11 Outings

103 Participants

36 volunteers

In 2017, we look forward to continuing to leverage the generosity of supporters and the dozens of active volunteers that have led thousands of Boston-area youth on trips since our local founding in 1994. We were fortunate to have several volunteers contribute in-kind trip costs to ICO in 2016, and this has kept our budget lower than in past years. Thank you trip leaders!

As you know, we are **100% volunteer run** and we raise all funds for Boston ICO – which go directly to outdoor trips. Please consider supporting our efforts with a donation at (www.bostonico.org/donate). We value your support with **99%** of all funds spent on programming in 2016.

Many thanks,

Ben Pignatelli, Chair

Anne Carroll, Amy Mullen, Liz Saumsiegle, Jeff Nelson, Cassie Bannos, Allison Rieck, Rachael Allison

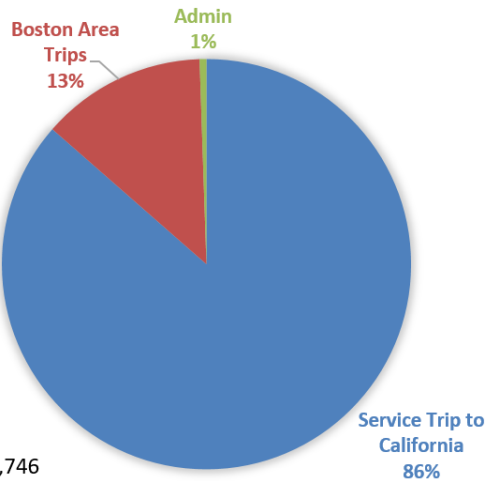


St. Peter's Teen Center dance at Lake Rico and the EBNHC Let's Get Movin' program visit the Blue Hills Reservation.



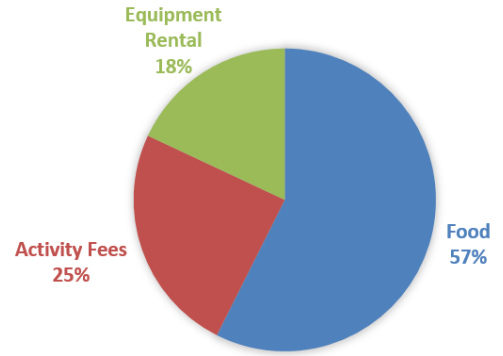
Sierra Club Inspiring Connections Outdoors (ICO) is a community outreach program that provides opportunities for urban youth and adults to explore, enjoy and protect the natural world.

BOSTON ICO 2016 BUDGET



Total Budget: \$8,746

BOSTON AREA TRIPS



2016 Donors

Thank you!

Amy Mullen
 Andrea Condit
 Anonymous
 Charles River Canoe & Kayak
 Copper Cannon Camp
 Ipswich River Wildlife Sanctuary
 Jeff Nelson
 Richard Stone
 Sierra Club Outdoors
 Spring Rain Farm



Trail work and a well-deserved break in California.

Boston ICO 2017 Donation Form

 Name

 (Email) Address

Donation amount: \$25___ \$100___ \$250___ \$500___ Other___

- A \$25 donation supports kayak rentals for 2 kids.
- A \$100 donation supports healthy lunches for 20 kids.
- A \$250 donation supports an overnight camping trip for 10 kids.
- A \$500 donation rents a bus that can fit 40 kids for an outdoor adventure.



To make a tax-deductible contribution write checks payable to 'The Sierra Club Foundation' WITH 'Boston ICO' in the memo.

Send to: Boston ICO, c/o Amy Mullen, 99 Bynner Street, Unit 2, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130

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Thank you for the support!