

## Boston Inspiring Connections Outdoors 2018 Report



Dear Friends,

We hope your year is off to a wonderful start. Last year Boston ICO partnered with five Boston-area community organizations to get kids outdoors. We spent time exploring and connecting with the natural world throughout the Northeast and back to California for another service trip! From the [orchards of Eastern Massachusetts](#) to the [mountains of New Hampshire](#) to [volunteer work the Sierra Club's Clair Tappaan Lodge](#) 2018 was BIG.

Some of our most popular local activities of the year were kayaking, camping and hiking, tubing, and mountain biking. We had a great new leader training at the Squam Lakes Association in Holderness, NH to learn from each other about leadership, trip planning best practices, and first aid. With the help of our new volunteers we completed four out of our ten trips in the last quarter of the year alone. We also led a total of four overnight trips!

### 2018 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

10 Outings  
94 Participants  
36 volunteers

In 2019, we look forward to continuing to partner with our communities and volunteers to enjoy the outdoors together. [HeartWood Wilderness Expeditions](#) has been started by ICO volunteer Mat Apeseche and operates under ICO's umbrella!

Boston ICO is 100% volunteer-run and we raise all funds locally. In 2018 less than 1% of funds were spent on administration. Please consider supporting our efforts with a [donation](#) today!

Many thanks,

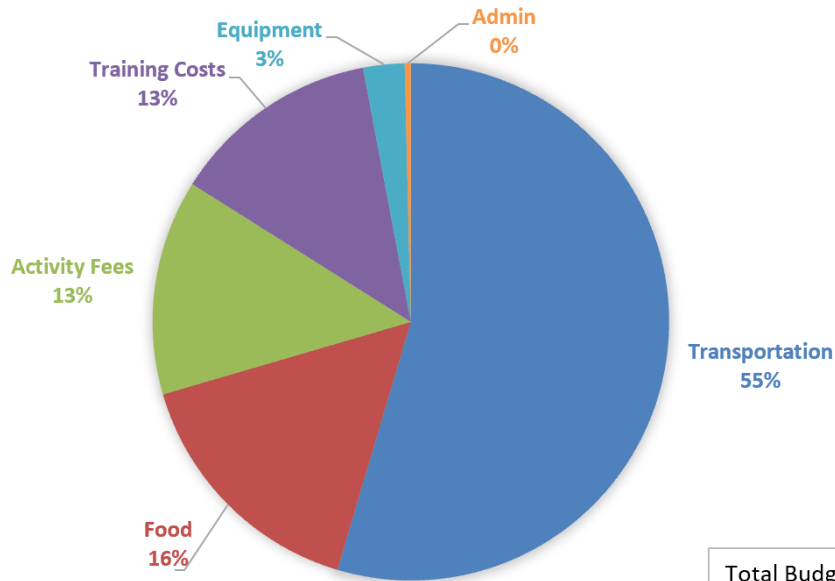
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*Sierra Club Inspiring Connections Outdoors (ICO) is a community outreach program that provides opportunities for urban youth and adults to explore, enjoy and protect the natural world.*

## BOSTON ICO 2018 EXPENDITURES



HeartWood trip up the Welch-Dickey Loop and Zumix gets on top of Cave Rock at Lake Tahoe!

## 2018 Donors

*Thank you!*

Anne Monnelly  
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- 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 [click here](#) or write checks payable to 'The Sierra Club Foundation' WITH 'Boston ICO' in the memo.*

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*Thank you for the support!*