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# HBRF REPORT



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# **Letter from Hubbard Brook**

hange" is a watchword at Hubbard Brook. Scientists participating in the Hubbard Brook Ecosystem Study (HBES) specialize in the long-term study of changing forest conditions, whether naturally occurring (succession, migration of plant and animal species, soil weathering) or caused by the actions of humans (acid rain and other air pollutants, climate change, timber harvesting). At the Hubbard Brook Research Foundation (HBRF), whose mission is to support the scientists of the HBES, change is very much in the air.

First, you'll notice that our fiscal year is truncated, starting January 1, 2015, and ending September 30, 2015. The Board of Trustees made this change, from a calendar year, to better track our annual activities. A complete, 12-month annual report will be issued in the fall of 2016. (Note, however, that we have chosen to acknowledge all who contributed in calendar 2015.)

Second, a change of leadership at the Hubbard Brook Research Foundation will occur this summer with the departure of David Sleeper as executive director. David joined HBRF in 2004 and has been at the helm as the organization grew physically, with the addition of the Mirror Lake campus, and programmatically, with the launch of new education programs and the Hubbard Brook Roundtable dialogue series.

David, being committed to the ongoing success and growth of HBRF, gave us the luxury of a year's notice. We cast a wide net and were pleased to have many qualified applicants, which speaks to the high regard for HBRF in the extended forestry/ecology world. Four finalists were invited to Hubbard Brook to meet with the full board and staff. We are excited to announce that Anthea Lavallee has accepted the position. Many of you may know Anthea as deputy director and development director. She has leadership experience as an executive director and in environmental education, development, and facilities management.

We look forward to you getting to know Anthea in her new role; we are confident that HBRF will move forward under her capable and passionate leadership. David will officially turn the reins over to Anthea at HBRF's annual meeting at Hubbard Brook on July 12. We hope you'll join us for tours, talks, and a celebratory barbecue.

Peter Martin

Chair, Board of Trustees

May, 2016

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Launched in 2015, the Capstone Campaign for Mirror Lake is designed to protect essential research housing, classroom space, and storage facilities. The comfortable, collegial atmosphere at the Mirror Lake campus reflects the unique collaborative spirit of the Hubbard Brook Ecosystem Study. This special fundraising effort honors the career of Gene E. Likens, whose work at Mirror Lake and in the Hubbard Brook Experimental Forest has shaped our understanding of air-land-water interactions. The Capstone Campaign also honors the memory of Phyllis C. Likens, Gene's partner in research and in life.

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The Hubbard Brook Consortium is a group of research and educational institutions that supports the work at Hubbard Brook, with special emphasis on field research opportunities for undergraduates, facilities, and public outreach events. Consortium members include the Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies, Cornell University, Dartmouth College, Plymouth State University, Syracuse University, USDA Forest Service/ Northern Research Station, and Wellesley College.

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September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014

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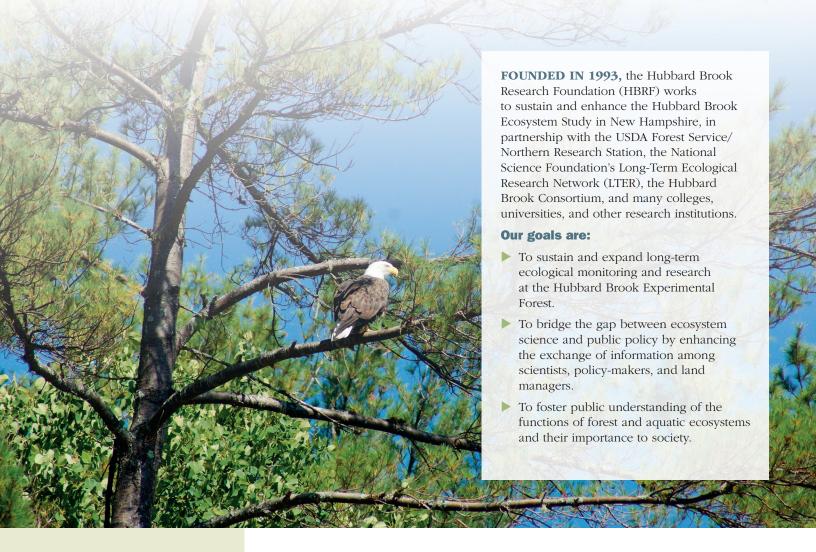
	September 30, 2015	December 31, 201
ASSETS	•	
Current Assets	¢ 51.50/	¢ 125.200
Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable	\$ 51,594 \$ 34,747	\$ 125,398 \$ 22,194
Grants & pledges receivable	\$ 88,406	\$ 46,232
Prepaid expenses	\$ 7,999	\$ 2,772
Total current assets	\$ 182,746	\$ 196,596
Property and equipment	# 1.040.04 <del>7</del>	# 1.02 <del>7</del> .002
Buildings and improvements Equipment	\$ 1,949,847 \$ 68,682	\$ 1,937,003 \$ 68,682
Land	\$ 470,200	\$ 470,200
	\$ 2,488,729	\$ 2,475,885
Less accumulated depreciation	\$ 742,523	\$ 695,891
Total property and equipment	\$ 1,746,206	\$ 1,779,994
Total Assets	\$1,928,952	\$1,976,590
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 42,288	\$ 40,657
Deferred income	\$ 68,220	\$ 63,840
Total current liabilities	\$ 110,508	\$ 104,497
Note payable	\$ 334,825	\$ 437,720
Total Liabilities	\$ 445,333	\$ 542,217
Net Assets Unrestricted	\$ 1,296,993	\$ 1,330,103
Temporarily restricted	\$ 186,626	\$ 104,270
Total net assets	\$ 1,483,619	\$ 1,434,373
Total liabilities and net assets	\$1,928,952	\$1,976,590
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGES IN NE	T ASSETS	
For the nine months ended September 30, 2015	and the year ended Decembe	er 31, 2014
Revenue and support		
Contributions and grants	\$ 457,266	\$ 485,702
Rental income HBRF consortium dues	\$ 115,870	\$ 113,713
Other income	\$ 58,125 \$ 16,066	\$ 77,500 \$ 10,938
Total revenues and support	\$ 647,327	\$ 687,853
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Expenses Program costs:		
Facilities	\$ 180,672	\$ 213,129
Education	\$ 241,038	\$ 326,856
Total program expenses	\$ 421,710	\$ 539,985
Supporting services expense		
Management and general	\$ 142,897	\$ 149,084
Fundraising	\$ 33,474	\$ 16,513
Total supporting services	\$ 176,371	\$ 165,597
Total expenses	\$ 598,081	\$ 705,582
Change in net assets	\$ 49,246	\$ (17,729)
Net assets, beginning of year	\$ 1,434,373	\$ 1,452,102
Net assets, end of year	\$1,483,619	\$1,434,373
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Note: These schedules should not be confused with HBRF's audited financial statements. That report, including footnotes and the auditor's opinion, is available upon request or may be found on the HBRF website.









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