

IMPACT REPORT 2024-2025



We Dream ... We Act ... Together We Get Things Done!®

“Tuleyome” (pronounced too-lee-OME-ee) means “deep home place.” The term “deep home place” exemplifies our deep connection to our environment, our communities, and our regional public lands.

MISSION: Our mission is to engage in advocacy and active stewardship with diverse communities to conserve, enhance, restore, and enjoy the lands in the region.

PRESIDENT/E.D. MESSAGE

This report encapsulates both a tumultuous and an amazing two years. At a time when it seems like forces are trying to tear us apart from each other and our deep home place, we are reminded of the many things that bring us together. They are much more plentiful than the things that tear us apart. Our love for family and friends, our country, a good meal, sun on our face, our favorite team, freedom, laughter, peace, the sight of a hawk soaring across the sky, safety, a wildflower, our favorite hike, this amazing region, its people and its places.

It is a time when we have seen unprecedented change and heartbreaking destruction. The challenges have been immense, both within Tuleyome and within the larger community. Yet we have also seen our partnerships in the region broaden and deepen.

Conservationists, scientists, recreationists, business owners, Indigenous people and Native American Tribes have come together to protect our public lands and the natural and cultural resources they hold. We all came together to defeat attempts to sell off more than 250 million acres of our public lands. And, together, we added Molok Luyuk to Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument and enshrined Tribal co-stewardship.

In a collaborative effort, Tuleyome and our regional preserve partners are connecting kids to nature. Tuleyome's outdoor youth programs nearly doubled in 2025.

Tuleyome's impact is propelled by our amazing team and the remarkable individuals, volunteers, supporters, organizations, businesses and communities with which we work. Because of you, Tuleyome survived the loss of hundreds of thousands in federal funding. This is why we are excited for the future and hopeful of what we can achieve with your support and in partnership with community. We will stand together as a community to enjoy, explore and protect this special place, its people, its communities, to protect our deep home place.

In gratitude and peace,

Lyndsay and Sandy

ACCESS



Trail Guide

- **Trails and Access:** Tuleyome's trail work opened access to 40,344 acres of land in three counties.
- **The Lands We Steward:** We are responsible for Ecosystem integrity, wildlife corridors, cultural resources on 4,343 acres that compose our properties and easements within or near the monument.
- **Woodland Regional Park Preserve (WRPP):** The Preserve opened to the public in May 2025 with its Rotary Pavillion. A place of refuge for waterfowl, coyotes, foxes, skunks, birds of prey, rare and endangered plants like the Palmate-bracted bird's-beak and more, with the year-round lake.
- **Tuleyome's Spring Thing** in March, offered activities for 350 kids, adults, and families to explore and enjoy the Preserve. Visitors access nature within the city limits.



- **Conaway Ranch:** Youth & nature programming continues as kids connect to nature and agriculture at the slough and rice fields.

· This year, Conaway Ranch is nurturing one million baby salmon in the rice fields. Salmon raised in the rice fields grow 2-5 times faster than in the adjacent Sacramento River and have a greater chance of survival.

- Check out our game camera – otters, beavers, grey fox, racoons, wood ducks, king snakes, garter snakes, tri-colored black birds, deer, skunks, jack rabbits, and more.



Wildlife webcam



"The news this week and the general state of our country has been very depressing. Luckily for us we have the Tuleyome where we can recharge our souls. Had a beautiful hike on Red Bud trail yesterday. Thanks for all the wonderful work you do in protecting it for all of us."

*Gretchen
Graduate of California Naturalist Program*

PROTECTION

In the 24 years since Tuleyome's founding, we have protected:

- **350,824 acres** (for perspective, Sacramento CA is 64,000 acres).
- **20 miles of wild and scenic river.**



Molok Luyuk and Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument

- **We added Molok Luyuk** to Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument, expanding the Monument to 344,476 acres spanning 100 miles of the Northern Inner Coastal Range.
- **We enshrined Tribal co-stewardship in the region.** BLM (Bureau of Land Management) signed agreements with the Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation, Kletsel Dehe Wintun Nation, and Koi Nation of the Lower Lake Rancheria.
- We celebrated 10 Years Wild, the **10th Anniversary of the establishment of Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument.**

WE FIGHT ON

- **We prevented the sale of 250+ million acres** of public lands nationwide, and 3.3 million acres of public lands in California.
- **We joined the fight to protect 58.5 million acres of roadless areas in forests** across the country, 4 million acres in California, 154,332 acres in Mendocino National Forest, and 30,000 acres in Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument.
- We increased support for the **San Pablo Bay National Wildlife Refuge Expansion Act** and adding 6,934 acres to the Refuge.



We developed a tool that allows our community to contact decision-makers with a couple of simple clicks. As a result, 460 supporters came together to raise their voices in opposition to attacks on our public lands.

We co-chair the Sacramento Region 30X30 Group, leading on the effort to protect 30 percent of land and water resources in California by 2030. We have protected 26.1 percent of California's land and 21.9 percent of our water thus far.

K-12 EDUCATION AND OUTREACH

Tuleyome expanded its interactive science and art YOUTH programming at Woodland Regional Park Preserve and Conaway Ranch. Our numbers soared from 2024 to 2025.



- 1360 kids came on our field trips in 2025, 84% more than in 2024.
- Doubled the number of schools participated in 2025 (from 10 to 20).
- Doubled the number of school districts participated (from 3 to 6).
- Serve Yolo, Colusa, Solano, Sacramento, Marin, and Napa counties with education programs.
- Prepared the launch of educational programs in salmon conservation, migratory waterfowl, and Yolo Eco-explorers Summer (YES) Camp with Cache Creek Nature Preserve & Yolo Basin Fnd.

Published Tuleyome Tales across seven publications. These stories, written by experts to illustrate aspects of the natural world and history in the region, reached 2,206,000 readers.

Hosted Nature and You Lectures to an audience of 346. The Zoom lectures offer a deep dive with an expert into a regional natural history topic. Recordings of the lectures have 894 views on our YouTube channel.

YOUTH BOOT BANK

- Tuleyome's Boot Bank, the 1967 Divco Milk truck, makes the rounds at local activities and events and now has a **permanent home at Woodland Regional Park Preserve.**



The Boot Bank introduces folks to Tuleyome and **loans boots out to kids**, who would not otherwise have access to appropriate shoes for hiking and exploring the outdoors.

- In 2025, we loaned out **42% more boots to kids than we did in 2024.**
- We received **355% more donations of boots and gear in 2025.**



PARTNERSHIPS

Tuleyome expanded and deepened its partnerships, working with folks from the local to the tribal to the federal level.



- USBR (US Bureau of Reclamation) – designing and building the Pope Creek Trail at the south end of Lake Berryessa.
- BLM (Bureau of Land Management) – protecting resources and making the trails more accessible at Knoxville OHV (Off Highway Vehicles).
- Yolo County – expanding Valley Vista Trail Network, a local treasure.
- Mendocino National Forest – working with volunteers to build and repair trails, create access for public lands and for fire management.

• City of Woodland -- developing and **opening Woodland Regional Park Preserve**, right in our own backyard.

• **Tribes** – working with tribes and Indigenous peoples throughout the region on **co-stewardship of our public and Tuleyome’s private lands**.

• **Tuleyome has reached out to 27 tribes** throughout the region and is in dialogue with several on co-stewardship of our public and Tuleyome’s private lands and protection of our cultural and natural resources.



Our Support

In 2025, in addition to 100 volunteers and our interns, Tuleyome is supported by our:

Volunteer Board of Directors

Lyndsay Dawkins: President, Daniel Frederick: Treasurer, Glen Holstein, PhD: Member, Arry Murphey: Member, André Sanchez: Secretary

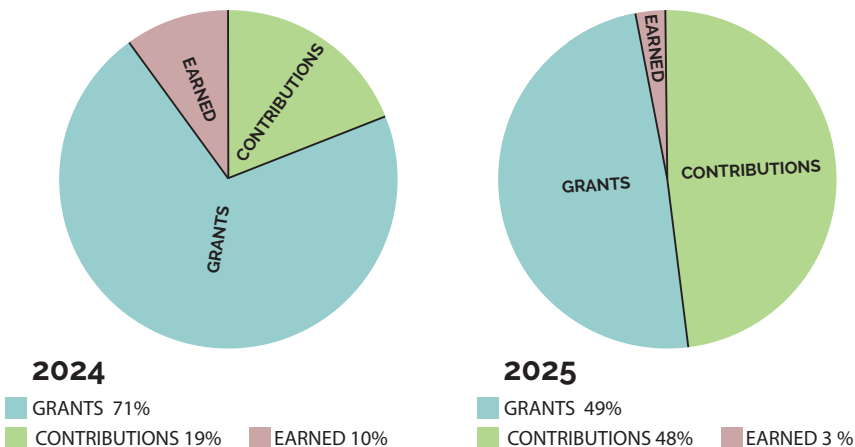
Advisory Council

Ryan Henson, Andrew Fulks, Bob Schneider, Jeff Mischkinsky

Staff

Geoff Benn, PhD: Education Associate, Kristie Ehrhardt: Land Conservation and Stewardship Program Director, Nate Lillge: Adventures and Engagement Director, Bryan Pride: Policy Director, Sandra Schubert: Executive Director

Source of Funds



From 2024 to 2025 federal funding decreased drastically resulting in a drop in grant funding.



Tuleyome's Impact - 350,824 Acres Protected in 7 Counties in 24 Years



Legend

- Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument
- Molok Luyuk
- Properties and Easements
- Wilderness Areas
- Woodland Regional Park Preserve

