

BILLION OYSTER PROJECT, INC.

**Financial Statements
For the Years Ended
June 30, 2023
and
June 30, 2022**

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors of
Billion Oyster Project, Inc.

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Billion Oyster Project, Inc. ("BOP"), which comprise the statements of financial position as of June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2022 and the related statements of activities, functional expenses and cash flows for the years then ended and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of BOP as of June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2022 and the result of its activities and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of BOP and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about BOP's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements, as a whole, are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of BOP's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about BOP's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control related matters that we identified during the audits.

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BILLION OYSTER PROJECT, INC.

Statements of Financial Position

Assets

| | June 30 | |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| | <u>2023</u> | <u>2022</u> |
| Current assets | | |
| Cash | \$3,199,101 | \$2,064,493 |
| Investments, at fair value | 38,228 | 33,016 |
| Grants, contracts and contributions receivable | 1,254,964 | 551,653 |
| Prepaid expenses and other assets | <u>55,614</u> | <u>55,624</u> |
| Total current assets | 4,547,907 | 2,704,786 |
| Property and equipment, net | <u>652,096</u> | <u>575,098</u> |
| Total assets | <u>\$5,200,003</u> | <u>\$3,279,884</u> |

Liabilities and Net Assets

| | | |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Current liabilities | | |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses | \$ 228,216 | \$ 306,590 |
| Unearned revenue | <u>-</u> | <u>101,265</u> |
| Total current liabilities | <u>228,216</u> | <u>407,855</u> |
| Net assets | | |
| Without donor restrictions | | |
| Operating | 2,629,518 | 2,387,036 |
| Board-designated | <u>700,000</u> | <u>-</u> |
| Total without donor restrictions | 3,329,518 | 2,387,036 |
| With donor restrictions | <u>1,642,269</u> | <u>484,993</u> |
| Total net assets | <u>4,971,787</u> | <u>2,872,029</u> |
| Total liabilities and net assets | <u>\$5,200,003</u> | <u>\$3,279,884</u> |

See notes to financial statements.

BILLION OYSTER PROJECT, INC.

**Statements of Activities
For the Years Ended June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2022**

| | 2023 | | | 2022 | | |
|---|----------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| | Without Donor Restrictions | | | Without Donor Restrictions | | |
| | Operating | Board- Designated Fund | Total | Operating | With Donor Restrictions | Total |
| Public support and revenue | | | | | | |
| Grants, contracts and contributions of cash and other financial assets | \$3,693,592 | \$ 700,000 | \$4,393,592 | \$7,188,713 | \$ 1,190,402 | \$3,961,900 |
| Contributed nonfinancial assets | 267,253 | - | 267,253 | 156,270 | - | 156,270 |
| Special events, net of direct expenses of \$393,965 in 2023 and \$172,074 in 2022 | 307,456 | - | 307,456 | 310,212 | - | 310,212 |
| Program service fees | 431,594 | - | 431,594 | 533,524 | - | 533,524 |
| Employee retention credits | 86,443 | - | 86,443 | - | - | - |
| Net investment return | 8,992 | - | 8,992 | (1,789) | - | (1,789) |
| Other | 29,630 | - | 29,630 | 6,947 | - | 6,947 |
| Net assets released from restrictions | 1,637,845 | - | 1,637,845 | 1,639,015 | (1,639,015) | - |
| Total public support and revenue | <u>6,462,805</u> | <u>700,000</u> | <u>7,162,805</u> | <u>5,415,677</u> | <u>(448,613)</u> | <u>4,967,064</u> |
| Expenses | | | | | | |
| Program services | 4,294,662 | - | 4,294,662 | 3,637,018 | - | 3,637,018 |
| Supporting services | | | | | | |
| Management and general | 564,544 | - | 564,544 | 481,208 | - | 481,208 |
| Development | 1,361,117 | - | 1,361,117 | 839,823 | - | 839,823 |
| Total supporting services | 1,925,661 | - | 1,925,661 | 1,321,031 | - | 1,321,031 |
| Total expenses | <u>6,220,323</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>6,220,323</u> | <u>4,958,049</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>4,958,049</u> |
| Increase (decrease) in net assets | 242,482 | 700,000 | 942,482 | 457,628 | (448,613) | 9,015 |
| Net assets, beginning of year | 2,387,036 | - | 2,387,036 | 1,929,408 | 933,606 | 2,863,014 |
| Net assets, end of year | <u>\$2,629,518</u> | <u>\$ 700,000</u> | <u>\$3,329,518</u> | <u>\$2,387,036</u> | <u>\$ 484,993</u> | <u>\$2,872,029</u> |

See notes to financial statements.

BILLION OYSTER PROJECT, INC.

**Statements of Functional Expenses
For the Years Ended June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2022**

| | 2023 | | | 2022 | | | |
|---|-----------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| | Supporting Activities | | | Supporting Activities | | | |
| | Program Services | Management and General | Development | Program Services | Management and General | Development | |
| | | | Total | | | Total | |
| Salaries | \$2,216,271 | \$ 251,102 | \$ 655,306 | \$3,122,679 | \$ 241,551 | \$ 465,014 | \$2,460,107 |
| Payroll taxes and employee benefits | 619,073 | 69,133 | 199,487 | 887,693 | 66,428 | 159,236 | 715,969 |
| Contract services and professional fees | 683,389 | 113,286 | 136,816 | 933,491 | 99,247 | 12,379 | 770,252 |
| Program supplies | 364,785 | - | - | 364,785 | - | - | 417,618 |
| Grantmaking | 38,500 | - | - | 38,500 | - | - | 50,000 |
| Scholarships and internships | 3,747 | - | - | 3,747 | - | - | 3,500 |
| Supplies | - | 8,629 | 156,794 | 165,423 | 1,969 | 119,944 | 121,913 |
| Printing, copying and mailing | 1,861 | 954 | 18,777 | 21,592 | 59 | 10,507 | 17,510 |
| Travel and meals | 84,341 | 31,982 | 127,398 | 243,721 | 13,140 | 35,089 | 91,995 |
| Insurance | 26,207 | 52,419 | - | 78,626 | 24,303 | - | 60,161 |
| Facilities and equipment rental | 110,021 | 21,678 | 1,039 | 132,738 | 10,456 | - | 91,789 |
| Bank fees | 304 | 156 | 26,332 | 26,792 | 438 | 22,172 | 22,633 |
| Catering, facilities and other | - | - | 393,965 | 393,965 | - | 172,074 | 172,074 |
| Depreciation | 61,830 | - | 1,417 | 63,247 | - | - | 42,425 |
| Other | 84,333 | 15,205 | 37,751 | 137,289 | 23,617 | 15,482 | 92,177 |
| | 4,294,662 | 564,544 | 1,755,082 | 6,614,288 | 481,208 | 1,011,897 | 5,130,123 |
| | - | - | 393,965 | 393,965 | - | 172,074 | 172,074 |
| Total | \$4,294,662 | \$ 564,544 | \$1,361,117 | \$6,220,323 | \$ 481,208 | \$ 839,823 | \$4,958,049 |

Total expenses by function
Less: direct benefits to donor net with revenue
on the statements of activities

See notes to financial statements.

BILLION OYSTER PROJECT, INC.

Statements of Cash Flows

| | For Years | |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| | Ended June 30 | |
| | <u>2023</u> | <u>2022</u> |
| Cash flows from operating activities | | |
| Increase in net assets | \$2,099,758 | \$ 9,015 |
| Adjustments to reconcile increase in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities | | |
| Depreciation | 63,247 | 42,425 |
| Contributed property and equipment | (94,000) | - |
| Donated stock | (77,299) | (37,925) |
| Proceeds from sale of donated stock | 78,721 | 41,978 |
| Net realized and unrealized (gain) loss on investments | (6,634) | 2,595 |
| (Increase) decrease in assets | | |
| Grants, contracts and contributions receivable | (703,311) | 108,051 |
| Prepaid expenses and other assets | 10 | (3,911) |
| Increase (decrease) in liabilities | | |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses | (78,374) | 183,672 |
| Unearned revenue | (101,265) | (109,661) |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | <u>1,180,853</u> | <u>236,239</u> |
| Cash flows (used in) investing activities | | |
| Purchases of property and equipment | <u>(46,245)</u> | <u>(37,709)</u> |
| Net increase in cash | 1,134,608 | 198,530 |
| Cash, beginning of year | <u>2,064,493</u> | <u>1,865,963</u> |
| Cash, end of year | <u>\$3,199,101</u> | <u>\$2,064,493</u> |

See notes to financial statements.

BILLION OYSTER PROJECT, INC.**Notes to Financial Statements
June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2022****Note 1 – Nature of organization**

Billion Oyster Project, Inc. (“BOP”) is a non-profit organization. BOP’s mission is to restore oyster reefs to New York Harbor through public education initiatives.

Note 2 – Summary of significant accounting policies**Net assets**

BOP reports information regarding its financial position and activities in two classes of net assets as follows:

Without donor restrictions

Operating – Net assets that are not subject to donor or Board imposed stipulations and can be spent at the discretion of BOP.

Board-designated – Unrestricted monies contributed to BOP which are designated by the Board of Directors to be used for capital improvements and related expenditures.

With donor restrictions – Net assets with donor restrictions, which consist of grants, contracts and contributions that are either restricted by the donor for a specific purpose and/or relate to future periods.

Funding

BOP derives its revenue primarily from grants, cost reimbursement contracts and contributions from individuals, corporations and foundations.

Funding contracts and grants are often subject to audit by the applicable granting agencies. The possible disallowances by the granting agencies of any item charged to the program cannot be determined until such time when and if an audit occurs. Therefore, no provision for any potential disallowances that may result from such audits has been made in the accompanying financial statements. Management is of the opinion that any potential disallowances will not be material to the accompanying financial statements.

Grants and contributions

BOP records grants and contributions as revenue without donor restrictions unless the donor restricts the grants and contribution for a specific purpose or future periods. Grants and contributions received with donor stipulations that limit the use of the donated assets are reported as donor restricted support. When a donor stipulation regarding a restricted asset expires, i.e., when a stipulated time restriction ends or the purpose for the restriction is accomplished, net assets with donor restrictions are reclassified to net assets without donor restrictions and reported in the statements of activities as net assets released from restrictions.

BILLION OYSTER PROJECT, INC.**Notes to Financial Statements (continued)
June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2022****Note 2 – Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)**Revenue recognition

The BOP receives grants and contracts from government agencies in exchange for the performance of various services. The BOP recognizes government grant and contract revenue as expenses are incurred to a maximum of the awards.

Program service fees, are recorded when earned, which is at the time of service.

Contributions, including unconditional promises to give, are recognized as revenue in the period received. Contributions of assets other than cash are recorded at their estimated fair value at the date of donation.

Bequests are recorded as revenue when a legally binding obligation is received and when a fair value can be determined.

Cash equivalents

BOP considers all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of 90 days or less to be cash equivalents. As of June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2022, BOP did not have any cash equivalents.

Investments

BOP's investments are recorded at fair value. The value of BOP's investments has been determined by using publicly reported market quotes. Net realized gains or (losses) on the sale of investments are determined using the first-in, first-out method and along with the net unrealized gain or (loss) on investments, are recorded in the statements of activities as part of investment return.

Fair value measurements

Fair value refers to the price that would be received to sell an asset in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair value hierarchy gives the highest priority to quoted prices in active markets and the lowest priority to unobservable data. Fair value measurements are required to be separately disclosed by level within the fair value hierarchy. At June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2022, BOP's investments are deemed to be Level 1 as their fair value is measured using quoted prices in active markets.

Allowance for doubtful accounts

BOP deems all receivables to be collectible and, accordingly, an allowance for doubtful accounts is not necessary. Such estimate is based on management's experience, the aging of the receivables, subsequent receipts and current economic conditions.

BILLION OYSTER PROJECT, INC.**Notes to Financial Statements (continued)
June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2022****Note 2 – Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)**Property and equipment

Property and equipment are carried at cost and, if donated, at the approximate fair value at the date of donation. Such donations are reported as support without donor restrictions unless the donor has restricted the donated asset to a specific purpose. BOP capitalizes, as property and equipment, expenditures for such assets in excess of \$5,000 with an estimated useful life of three years or greater. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets, which range from 3 to 10 years.

Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

Contributed nonfinancial assets

A number of volunteers, including members of the Board of Directors, have donated significant amounts of their time to BOP's program services and supporting activities. These donated services have not been recorded in the accompanying statements of activities because they do not meet the criteria for recording such services.

Functional allocation of expenses

The costs of providing the various programs and other activities have been summarized on a functional basis. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the program services and supporting activities benefited. Expenses attributable to more than one functional category are allocated based on time and effort.

Concentrations of credit risk

BOP's financial instruments that are potentially exposed to concentrations of credit risk consist primarily of cash, investments and receivables. BOP places its cash with what it believes to be quality financial institutions. At times during the year, BOP's bank account balances exceeded the FDIC insurance limit. BOP has not incurred any losses in these accounts to date. BOP's investments are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market volatility, liquidity and credit. Due to the level of uncertainty related to the aforementioned risks, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in these risks could have a material effect on the amounts reported in the statement of financial position at June 30, 2023. BOP's receivables are monitored and deemed collectible by management. As a result, BOP believes no significant concentrations of credit risk exist with respect to its cash, investments and receivables.

Subsequent events

BOP has evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through October 5, 2023, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

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Notes to Financial Statements (continued)
June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2022

Note 3 – Liquidity and availability of financial assets

BOP's working capital and cash flows vary due to the timing of payments received from grants, contracts, contributions and other revenue items.

The following is a summary of BOP's financial assets as of June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2022 available to pay general expenditures within one year of the statements of financial position date:

| | <u>2023</u> | <u>2022</u> |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|
| Cash | \$ 2,972,370 | \$ 2,064,493 |
| Investments, at fair value | 38,228 | 33,016 |
| Grants, contracts and contributions receivable | <u>1,254,964</u> | <u>551,653</u> |
| Sub-total | 4,265,562 | 2,649,162 |
| Less: Grants, contracts and contributions not receivable within one year | 225,000 | - |
| Less: Board-designated net assets | <u>700,000</u> | <u>-</u> |
| Total | <u>\$ 3,340,562</u> | <u>\$ 2,649,162</u> |

BOP's Board-designated fund of \$700,000 has been established for future capital and related items. The funds could be used for general expenditures with Board approval.

Note 4 – Investments

Investments consist of the following as of June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2022:

| | <u>2023</u> | | <u>2022</u> | |
|-----------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| | <u>Cost</u> | <u>Fair Value</u> | <u>Cost</u> | <u>Fair Value</u> |
| Exchange-traded funds | <u>\$ 21,920</u> | <u>\$ 38,228</u> | <u>\$ 21,920</u> | <u>\$ 33,016</u> |

The components of net investment return consist of the following for the years ended June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2022:

| | <u>2023</u> | <u>2022</u> |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Interest and dividends | \$ 2,392 | \$ 821 |
| Realized gain on sales of investments | 1,420 | 4,053 |
| Unrealized gain (loss) on investments | 5,212 | (6,648) |
| Investment management fees | <u>(32)</u> | <u>(15)</u> |
| Net investment return | <u>\$ 8,992</u> | <u>\$ (1,789)</u> |

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**Notes to Financial Statements (continued)
June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2022**

Note 5 – Grants, contracts and contributions receivable

At June 30, 2023, grants, contracts and contributions receivable are expected to be collected as follows:

| <u>Year</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
|-------------|---------------------|
| 2024 | \$ 1,029,964 |
| 2025 | 75,000 |
| 2026 | 75,000 |
| 2027 | <u>75,000</u> |
| Total | <u>\$ 1,254,964</u> |

Note 6 – Property and equipment

Property and equipment consist of the following at June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2022:

| | <u>2023</u> | <u>2022</u> |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Property and equipment | \$ 328,004 | \$ 281,759 |
| Vehicles | 67,300 | 11,300 |
| Boats | <u>626,608</u> | <u>588,608</u> |
| Total property and equipment | 1,021,912 | 881,667 |
| Less accumulated depreciation | <u>369,816</u> | <u>306,569</u> |
| Net property and equipment | <u>\$ 652,096</u> | <u>\$ 575,098</u> |

Note 7 – Contributed nonfinancial assets

For the years ending June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2022, contributed nonfinancial assets recognized in the statements of activities included the following:

| <u>Description</u> | <u>2023</u> | <u>2022</u> |
|------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Gala auction and other items | \$ 155,211 | \$ 118,708 |
| I.T. equipment | 18,042 | 24,995 |
| Boat engine | - | 12,567 |
| Truck | 39,000 | - |
| Boat | 38,000 | - |
| ATV | 17,000 | - |
| Total | <u>\$ 267,253</u> | <u>\$ 156,270</u> |

BOP recognizes contributed nonfinancial assets within public support and revenue. Unless otherwise noted, the contributed nonfinancial assets do not have donor-imposed restrictions.

Contributed I.T. equipment in 2023 is being used in the Restoration, Education and Community Engagement programs. Contributed I.T. equipment in 2022 is being shared between BOP's supporting activities and the Restoration, Education and Community Engagement programs.

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**Notes to Financial Statements (continued)
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Note 7 – Contributed nonfinancial assets (continued)

The contributed boat engine is used for the Restoration, Education and Community Engagement programs.

The contributed gala auction and other items in 2023 and 2022 were used for BOP's fundraising event.

The contributed truck, boat and ATV are being used for various programmatic activities.

All contributed goods above were valued based on estimates of retail values that would be received for selling similar products.

Note 8 – Net assets with donor restrictions

The amounts released from restrictions during the years ended June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2022 are for the following:

| <u>Description</u> | <u>2023</u> | <u>2022</u> |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| New York Harbor School | | |
| After school | \$ - | \$ 140,171 |
| Career and technical education | 366 | 85,911 |
| CTE Discretionary and Diving | | |
| Certificate Program | 67,914 | - |
| Educational Programs | 3,262 | - |
| Fishers Island Trip | 5,000 | - |
| Harbor Seals | 12,500 | - |
| Maritime education and training | 67,165 | 132,835 |
| Ocean Engineering CTE | 1,500 | - |
| Partnership manager | - | 34,984 |
| Summer programs | 12,997 | 37,003 |
| Vessel Ops | 7,500 | - |
| Billion Oyster Project | | |
| After school | - | 4,797 |
| B.O.P. schools | - | 29,845 |
| Community Science | 40,000 | - |
| Education | 329,392 | - |
| Fabrication | 9,466 | - |
| Field station | 125,000 | 135,489 |
| General | 2,000 | 50,000 |
| Oyster monitoring | 48,288 | - |
| Oyster recovery plan | - | 20,000 |
| Partnership manager | - | 5,000 |
| Public engagement | 162,302 | 438,011 |
| Reef construction | - | 46,393 |
| Restoration | 177,056 | 120,156 |
| Shell collection | 361,355 | 308,366 |
| Volunteer programs | 136,813 | 31,918 |
| Waterfront | - | 18,136 |
| Other | 67,969 | - |
| Total | <u>\$ 1,637,845</u> | <u>\$ 1,639,015</u> |

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**Notes to Financial Statements (continued)
June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2022**

Note 8 – Net assets with donor restrictions (continued)

At June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2022, net assets with donor restrictions are available for the following:

| <u>Description</u> | <u>2023</u> | <u>2022</u> |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| New York Harbor School | | |
| Career and technical education | \$ - | \$ 13,363 |
| CTE Discretionary and Diving | | |
| Certificate Program | 7,086 | - |
| Educational Programs | 11,738 | - |
| Maritime education and training | - | 167,165 |
| Vessel operations program | - | 5,000 |
| Billion Oyster Project | | |
| B.O.P. schools | - | 17,988 |
| Education | 23,017 | - |
| Fabrication | 65,198 | - |
| ORS program | 20,000 | - |
| Oyster monitoring | 1,712 | - |
| Oyster recovery plan | - | 34,931 |
| Public engagement | - | 11,766 |
| Restoration | 1,162,875 | - |
| Shell collection | 62,374 | 118,729 |
| Volunteer programs | 218,269 | 116,051 |
| Other | 70,000 | - |
| Total | <u>\$1,642,269</u> | <u>\$ 484,993</u> |

Note 9 – Employee retention credits

In response to the coronavirus emergency, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act and subsequent legislation (the “Acts”) were signed into law. The Acts provided, among other things, a refundable credit of certain qualified wages per employee for wages which includes medical premiums paid or incurred from March 13, 2020 through September 30, 2021. In connection therewith, such credits for the year ended June 30, 2023 totaled \$86,443.

BILLION OYSTER PROJECT, INC.**Notes to Financial Statements (continued)
June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2022****Note 10 – Retirement plan**

BOP provides a defined contribution plan for all eligible employees, as defined by the plan. BOP may elect to make matching or non-elective contributions to the plan. BOP did not contribute to the plan in 2023 and 2022.

Note 11 – Tax status

BOP is exempt from federal income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. BOP is classified as a publicly supported organization as described in Section 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) and not as a private foundation; therefore, BOP qualifies for the maximum charitable contribution deductions for donors.