

Annual Report 2023



About Us

The Keep it Clean Partnership (KICP) is a collaborative program based in Boulder County with participation from our local municipalities. These communities originally came together over 20 years ago to collaborate on stormwater management, and in the years since we have expanded our work to include broader watershed level efforts.

Our staff facilitate collaboration on water quality issues between our partner communities and with other organizations with the goal of improving watershed health. We coordinate training events for stormwater professionals and perform watershed outreach on behalf of our partner communities. By working together with local governments and other organizations throughout the Boulder St. Vrain basin, we can increase our impact and make progress towards a healthier watershed.



Kevin Peterson



Cristina Ramírez



Explorando Senderos families build terrariums to learn about the water cycle.

Stormwater

Our stormwater program provides opportunities for staff from the Keep it Clean Partnership communities to coordinate watershed-wide programs and training opportunities. In 2023, two training events reached 165 people from 43 organizations.



Stormwater Control Measure Design Review Refresher

April 2023 | 20 participants

Staff from KICP communities discussed design requirements and standards of permanent stormwater control measures as they relate to the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit.

Working in Waterways

October 2023 | 145 participants

Al Stafford from the Clean Water Compliance Unit at the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment spoke about permits, requirements, and best practices for project work in or near waterways.

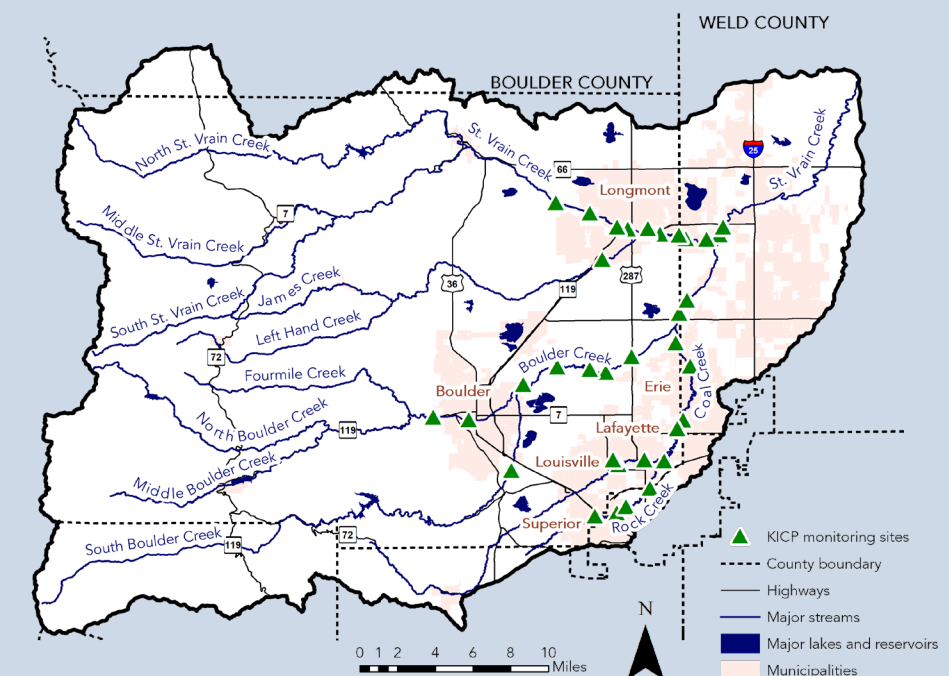


Watershed

Our watershed program coordinates water quality sampling throughout the Boulder St. Vrain watershed and continues to support various efforts to monitor and improve water quality.

Monitoring Program

The Keep it Clean Partnership communities monitor 17 water quality parameters at over 40 monitoring sites. An interactive data dashboard will be available in 2024, which will allow stakeholders and the public to more easily view water quality data in our watershed.



Monitoring the Coal Creek Ecosystem following the Marshall Fire

This year we continued to support the research team from the University of Colorado conducting water quality monitoring in Coal Creek in and around the burned areas following the Marshall Fire. The results will help us better understand fire-related impacts to our streams and how we can protect them. Preliminary results can be viewed in a public dashboard at keepitcleanpartnership.org/post-fire-monitoring/ and a full overview of the project is available as an ArcGIS Storymap: [A Collaborative Post-Fire Monitoring Initiative](#).

Education & Outreach

School Programs

Eco-Cycle provided programming to 1,689 students and Thorne Nature Experience brought 2,466 second graders on field trips to Sombrero Marsh Environmental Education Center in Boulder and Sandstone Ranch in Longmont.

Stormwater Messages



98 newsletter subscribers



Ads on 1000 RTD busses



Social media advertisements reached 180,000 Facebook and Instagram users. 4,500 of them clicked through to the KICP website.



846 event contacts



208,500 gross impressions radio ads

2023 Boulder St. Vrain Watershed Student Art Contest

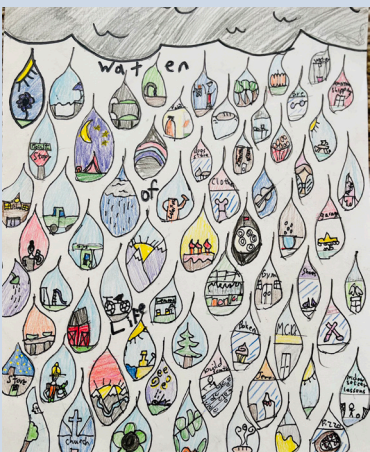
122 Kindergarten-12th grade students from 25 schools across BVSD and SVVSD participated in this year's contest. Artwork will be featured at the 2024 BVSD Operation Water Festival.



Grand Prize Winners



Yami Lafayette



Mila Longmont



Bailey Boulder



Roselani Longmont

Honorable Mentions



Dilivia Longmont



Onyx Boulder



Iris Boulder



Gracie Louisville

Finances

2023 Revenue

Local Government Contributions:	\$169,600
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Total:	\$169,600

2023 Expenses

Personnel:	\$91,000
School Programs:	\$29,089
Advertisements:	\$7,415
Translations:	\$267
Education and Outreach Initiatives	\$1,837
Training Events:	\$115
Water Quality Report:	\$15,000
Other Operating Costs:	\$1,074
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Total:	\$145,797

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