

The Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center is a collaboration between the City of Bellevue and Pacific Science Center.



# Hands-on, Experiential Environmental Education for 25 years

- Since 1993, 250,000 program participants
- 14,000 program participants in 2017-18
- PreK-12 programming focused on STEM learning, inspiring curiosity and building connections with nature and community.



# Early Childhood – PreK programs

## Polliwog Preschool and Parent-Child Nature Programs



# Field Studies PreK-8



# Youth Development and STEM Career Programs



Lake Washington Watershed  
Internship Program, 2018-19 is  
21<sup>st</sup> year

# Camps and Family Programs



# Milestones

25 years of programming on-site  
½ way through 20-year Joint Use Agreement

First PSC program at Mercer Slough Nature Park: October 1993 in the Sullivan House, moved from Downtown Park

Joint Use Agreement signed with PSC – Autumn 2008



# Bellevue Family Programming

Visitation is up in 2018  
Only 400 visitors below 2017 total

Program participation is up in 2018  
Already have surpassed last year's total



# Facility use 2014 – 2018

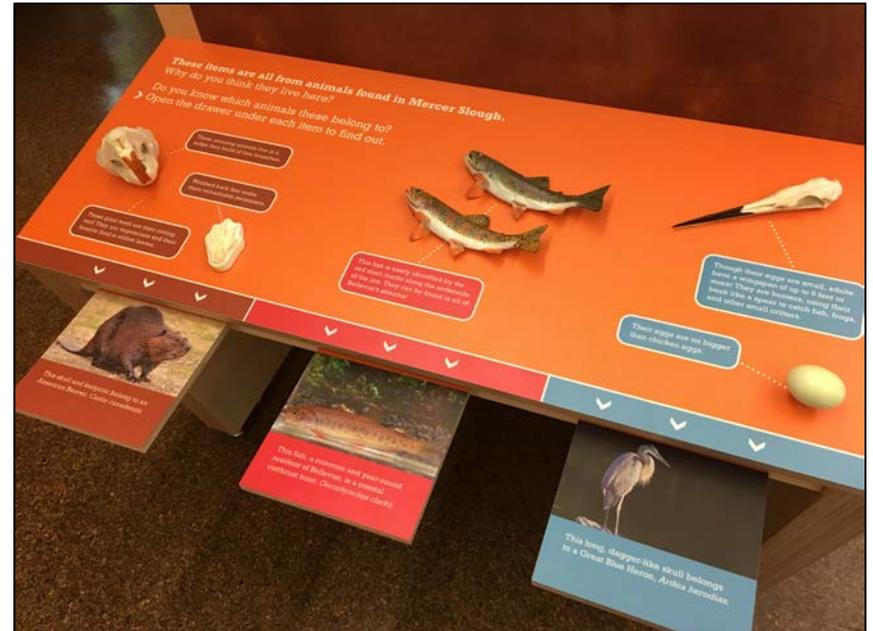
|                | 2014          | 2015          | 2016          | 2017          | 2018          |
|----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| COB visitation | 13,024        | 15,014        | 15,320        | 11,639        | 8,071         |
| PSC visitation | 10,403        | 11,156        | 10,797        | 10,816        | 10,950        |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>23,427</b> | <b>26,170</b> | <b>26,117</b> | <b>22,455</b> | <b>19,021</b> |

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Beyond 2018...

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SHEEP  
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## MERCER SLOUGH

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North Cascades Environmental Learning Center at Lake Diablo –  
HKP Architects, Seattle/Mt. Vernon







