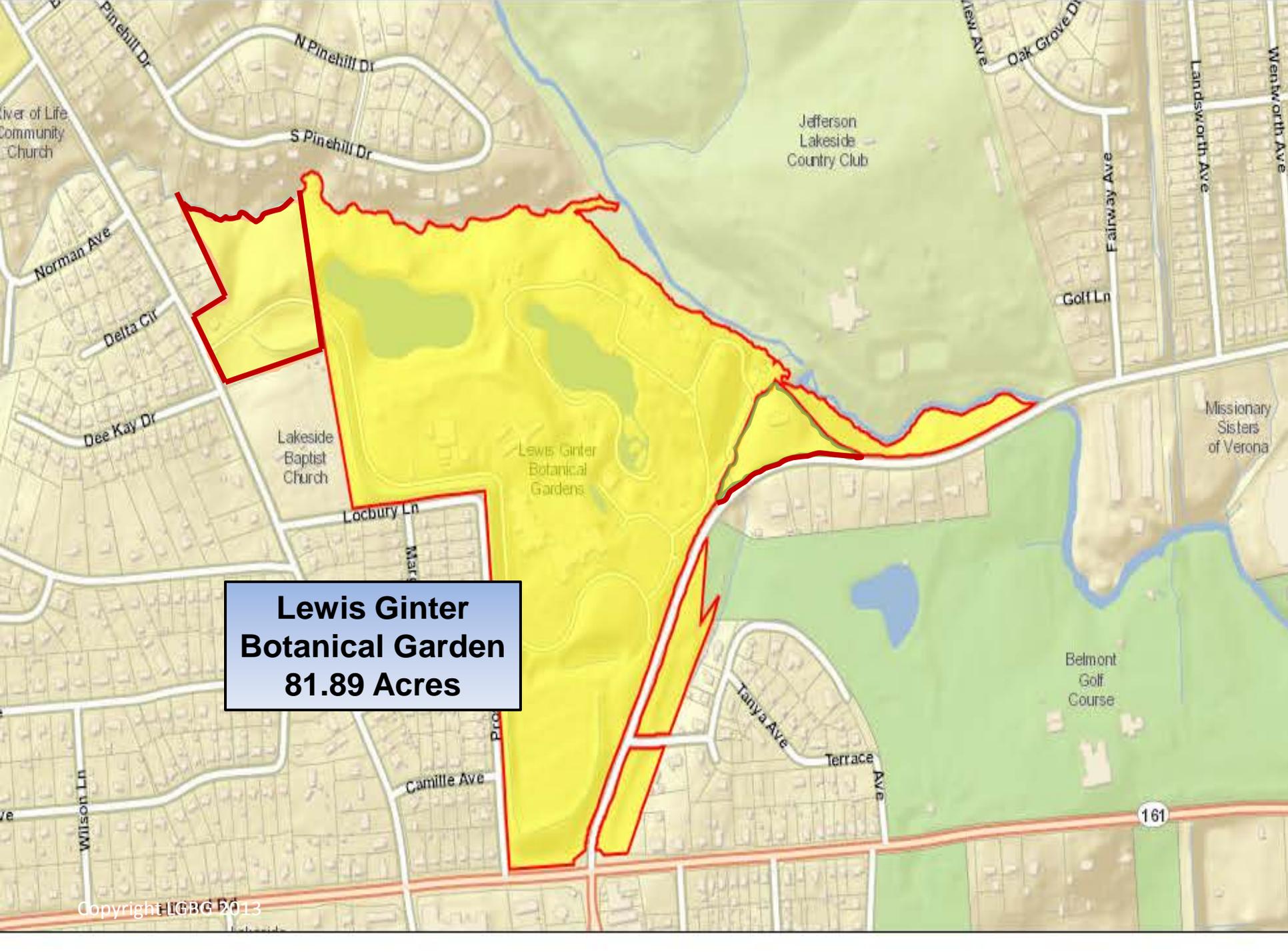




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**Lewis Ginter  
Botanical Garden  
81.89 Acres**





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# Our Story Begins with Grace Arents...



- **Lewis Ginter's niece (1848 – 1926)**
- **Carried on her uncle's philanthropic work**



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## ...and continues with Mary Garland Smith



- **St. Andrew's School Teacher and Principal**
- **Companion of Grace Arents**
- **Lived in Bloemendaal until her death June 1968**

















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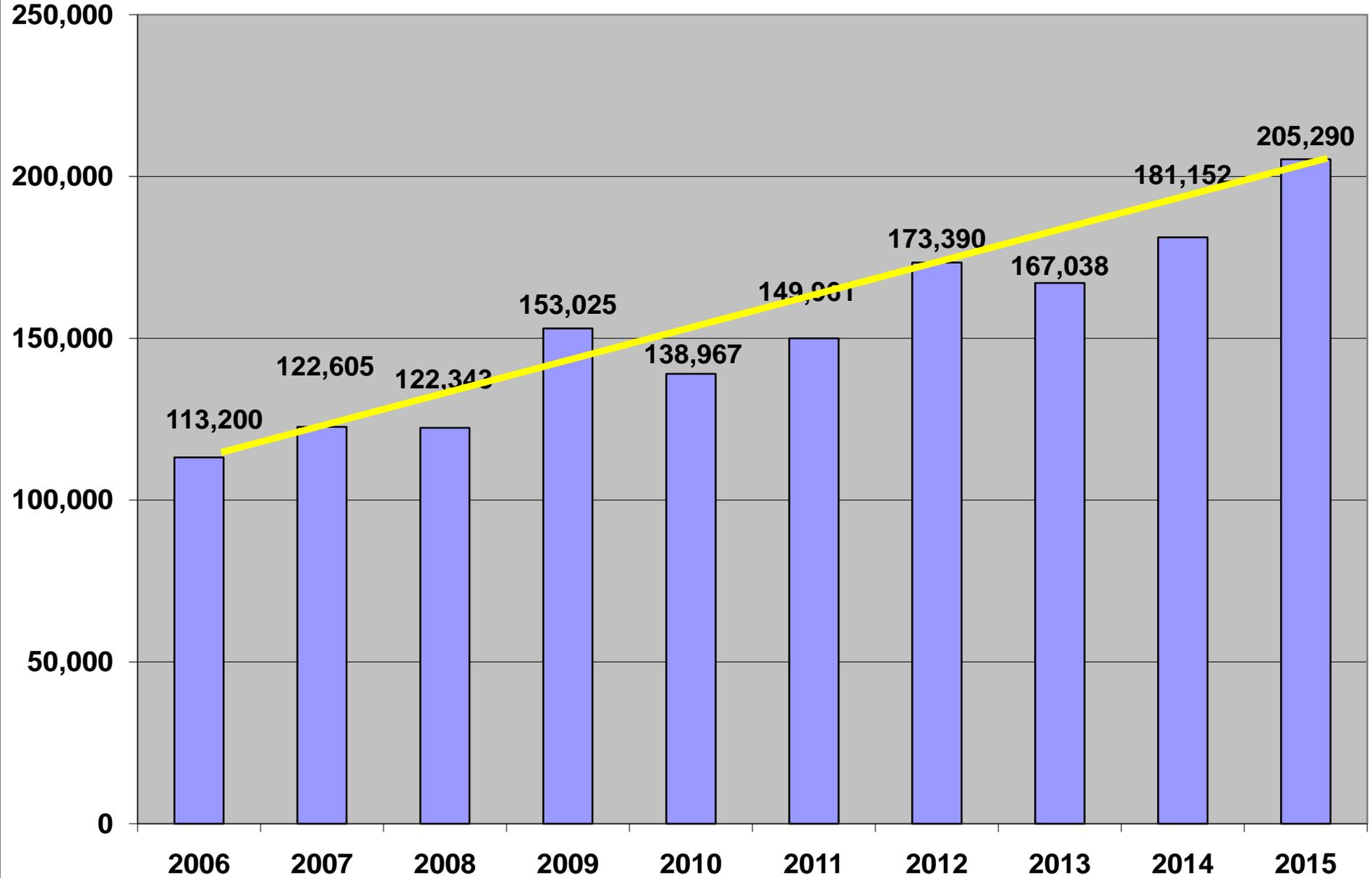
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# Total Daily Admissions through Visitors Center April-December





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# Annual Visitation 350,000+





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**VOTE FOR:  
Best Public Gardens**



**RICHMOND  
GARDEN  
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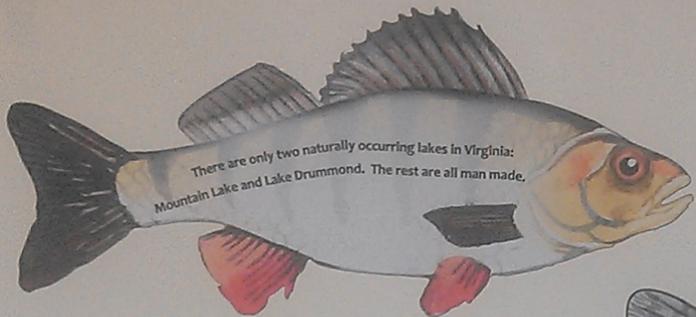
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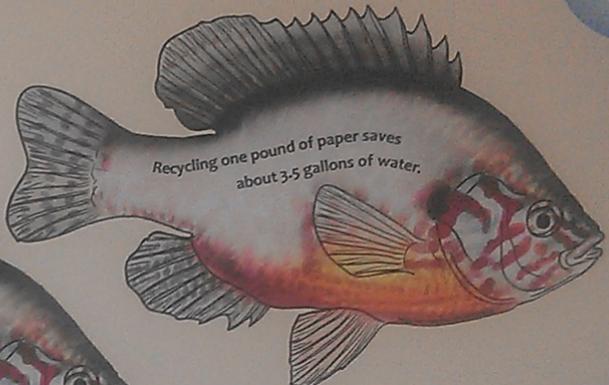
***Our mission is education.***

***Our passion is  
connecting plants and  
people to measurably  
improve our community.***

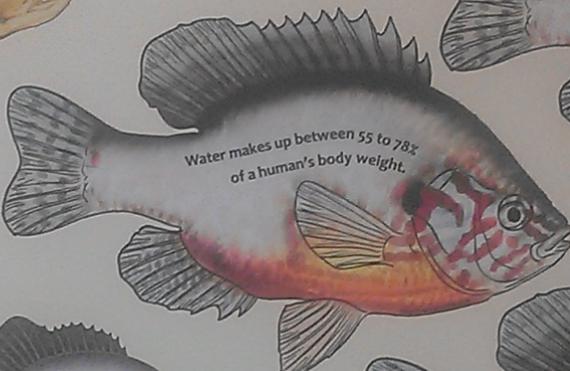




There are only two naturally occurring lakes in Virginia: Mountain Lake and Lake Drummond. The rest are all man made.



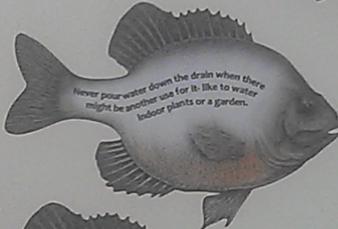
Recycling one pound of paper saves about 3.5 gallons of water.



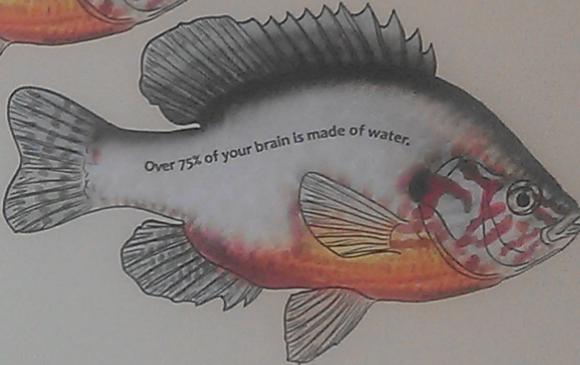
Water makes up between 55 to 78% of a human's body weight.



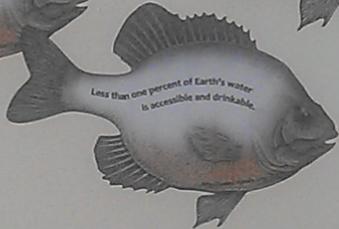
In one year, the average American residence uses over 100,000 gallons of water.



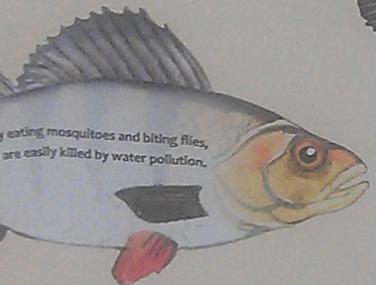
Never pour water down the drain when there might be another use for it. Like to water indoor plants or a garden.



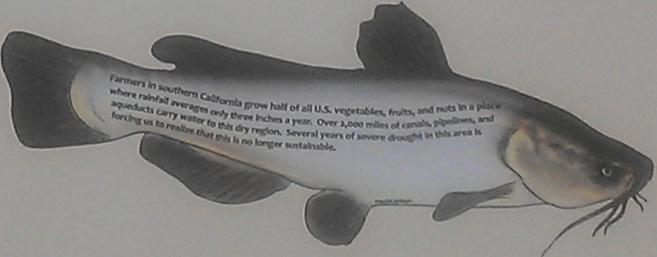
Over 75% of your brain is made of water.



Less than one percent of Earth's water is accessible and drinkable.



...eating mosquitoes and biting flies, are easily killed by water pollution.



Farmers in southern California grow half of all U.S. vegetables, fruits, and nuts in a place where rainfall averages only three inches a year. Over 1,000 miles of canals, pipelines, and aqueducts carry water to this dry region. Several years of severe drought in this area is forcing us to realize that this is no longer sustainable.

water use?  
Average American: 100 gallons a day  
Average Sub-Saharan African: 2-5 gallons a day  
Average European: 50 gallons a day

Reduce, Re-use, Recycle!

Cut down on your "hidden water" usage by buying less and recycling more.

Use rain barrels to collect rain water. Use this to water your plants or direct the water from your gutters straight to your plants.



Never dump...





# Nearly 12,000 children visit for educational programs each year





**1/4 from low to moderate income households participate for free**





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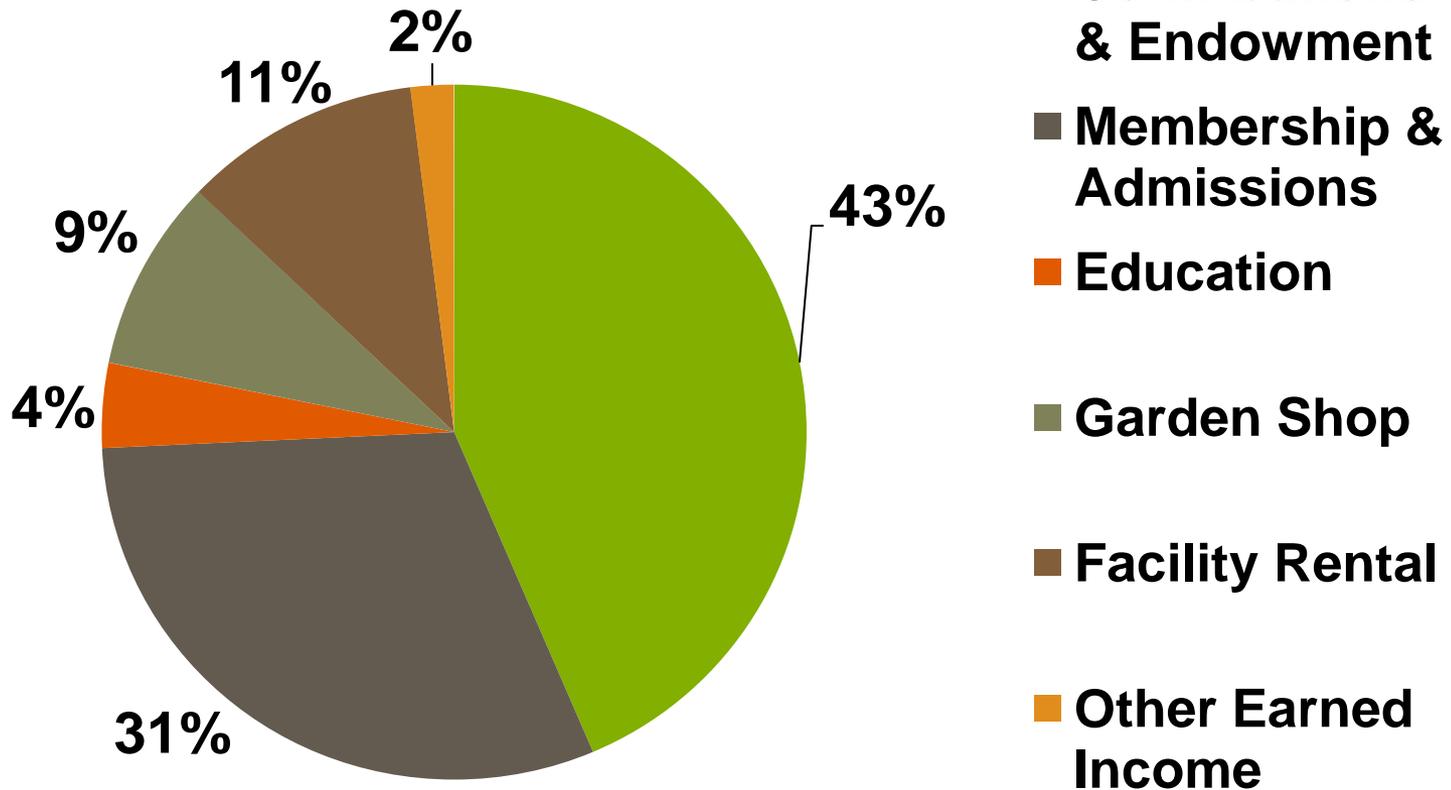






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# Annual Operating Budget \$6.1 Million



THIS DEED IS...

(3) Title to Bloemendaal Farm rests with the City in fee simple subject to the restrictive covenant that such property be used as a public park and botanical garden in perpetual memory of Lewis Ginter, known as the Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden. All

THIS LEASE, made and entered into this 16th day of July, 1984, by and between the CITY OF RICHMOND, a municipal corporation of the Commonwealth of Virginia, acting by and through its City Manager, hereinafter referred to as the "City", and the LEWIS GINTER BOTANICAL GARDEN INCORPORATED, hereinafter referred to as "Lewis Ginter."

Section 1. Lease of Bloemendaal Farm. The City hereby leases to Lewis Ginter, and Lewis Ginter hereby leases from the City, that parcel of real estate devised and bequeathed to the City in the will of Grace E. Arents. Said real estate, known as Bloemendaal Farm, is located in Henrico County, Virginia,

Section 2. Term of Lease. The City leases Bloemendaal Farm to Lewis Ginter for a period that extends into perpetuity,

# **Articles of Incorporation.**

A. The Council of the City of Richmond acting by majority vote shall appoint directors for four-year terms, provided that the number of directors appointed by the City of Richmond (including directors previously appointed by the Mayor and Vice Mayor of the City of Richmond) (the “Appointed Directors”) shall not exceed the lesser of (1) ten directors and (2) twenty percent of the total number of directors (the “Membership Limit”). To the extent the number of Appointed Directors at any time exceeds the

Section 1. Number and Qualification. The Corporation shall have no fewer than twenty-five and no more than fifty directors. All directors of Lewis Ginter shall be required to be members of Lewis Ginter in good standing.



**Currently, Board of Directors capped  
at 35 members**

**City Council appoints 7**





- 1.) Be knowledgeable about Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden's mission, strategy, policies, programs and financial standing.**
- 2.) Through active service on the Board and on at least one committee of the Board, participate in setting policies and approving plans that further the Garden's mission.**



**3.) Support the direction set by the Board and promote the Garden in your sphere of influence, including:**

**a. Make an annual contribution to the Garden and maintain a Garden membership (100% board participation is required by some grant making organizations);**

**b. Support the Garden's programs and fundraising activities (personally and by inviting friends or sharing news);**



**3.) Support the direction set by the Board and promote the Garden in your sphere of influence, including:**

- c. Assist with fundraising in general by identifying, assessing or introducing prospects; and**
- d. Suggest possible Board nominees.**



**4.) Maintain confidentiality of the Board's deliberations and organizational business.**

**5.) Disclose any possible conflicts of interest to the Board in a timely fashion.**



**Candidates for the Board:**

**Representative of our wider  
community**



**“Representative of our wider community”**

**We are interested in making the visitors, members, volunteers, staff and board leadership be more like the community we serve.**



# **Candidates for the Board:**

**Interested in supporting or encouraging community greening, resilience and beautification initiatives**



# **Candidates for the Board:**

**Interested or engaged in work force  
development for the  
green industry**



# **Candidates for the Board:**

**Interested in helping us make a  
measurable difference in  
our community**



## **Candidates for the Board of Directors:**

**Representative of our wider community**

**Interested in supporting or encouraging community greening, resilience and beautification initiatives**

**Interested or engaged in work force development for the green industry**

**Interested in helping us make a measurable difference in our community**









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