

Green Kirkland Partnership

- Why is the program important?
- How is it implemented?



If We Did Nothing



Present

20Years

50Years

100Years

We Need to Reverse the Trend



Present

20Years

50Years

100Years

The Problem: Invasive Species



English and Atlantic ivy
(*Hedera sp.*)



Himalayan blackberry
(*Rubus discolor* = *Rubus armeniacus*)

The Problem: Invasive Species

Scot's broom
(*Cytisus scoparius*)



English holly
(*Ilex sp.*)



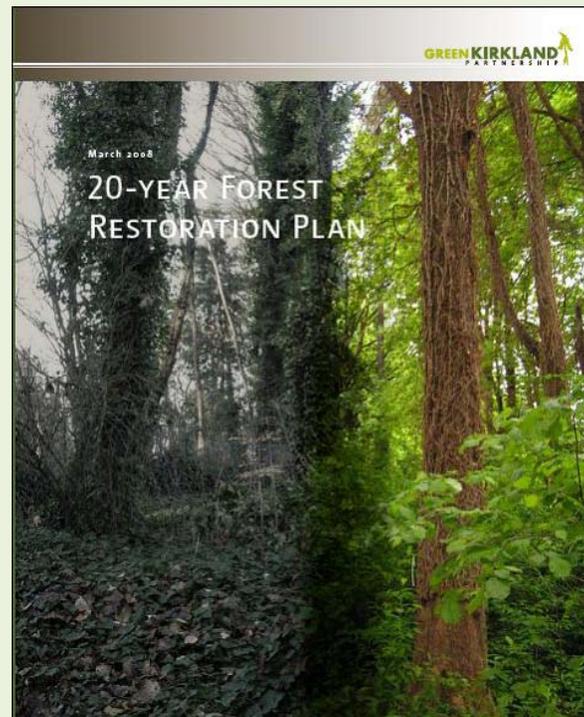
Cherry laurel
(*Prunus laurocerasus*)



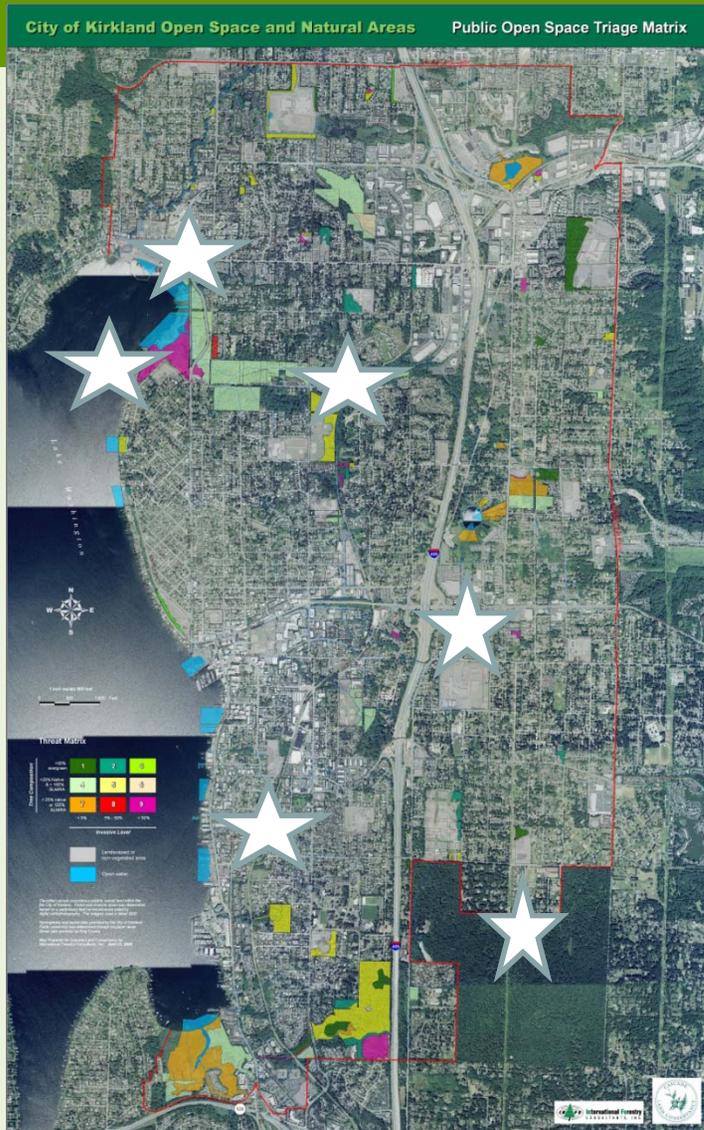
20-Year Forest Restoration Plan

Goals:

- Restore Kirkland's forested parklands by 2028
- Build community volunteerism
- Ensure financial sustainability



How are we doing implementing the plan?



16 Green Kirkland Volunteer Stewards leading and participating in restoration.

- Juanita Bay Park
- Carillon Woods
- Cotton Hill Park
- Kiwanis Park
- Everest Park
- Watershed Park

Progress on the 20 Year Plan

– Process of Restoration



Initial Removal



Replant & Maintain



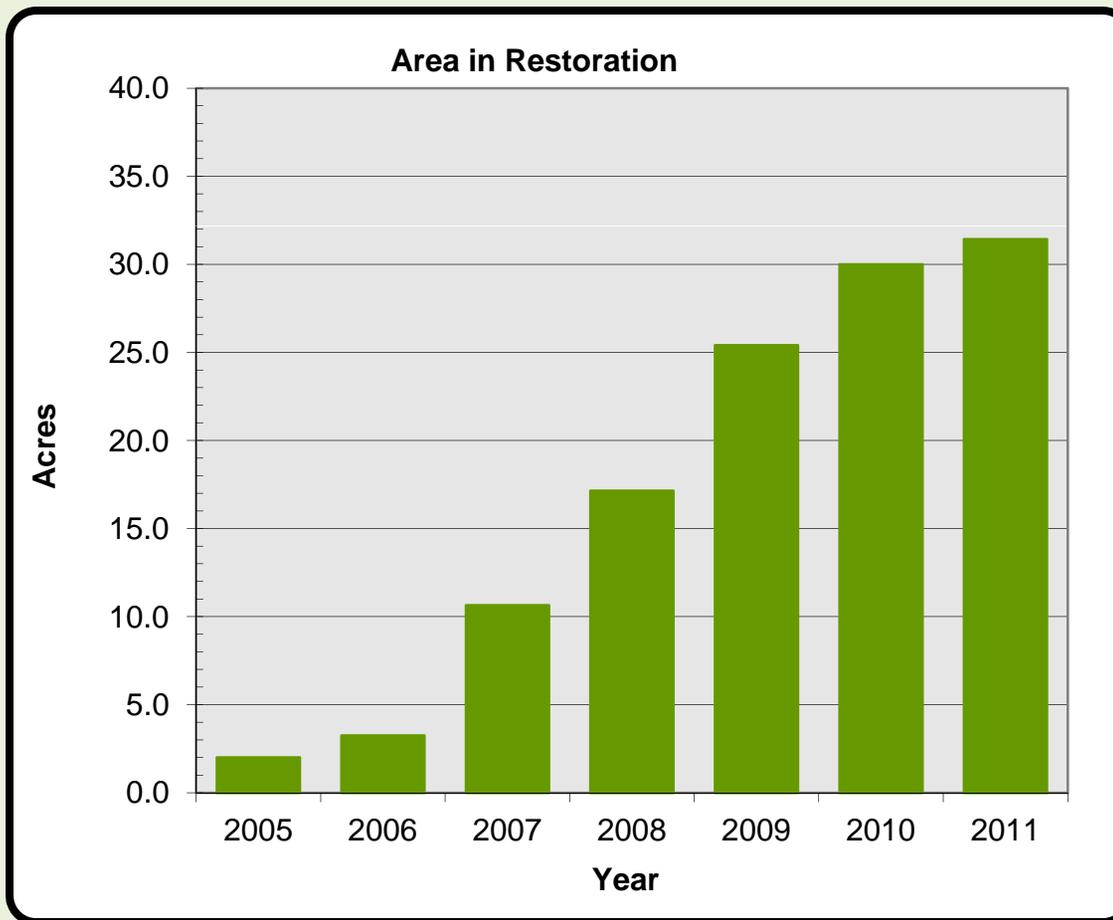
**Establish, Monitor
& Maintain**



**Long-term
Monitor &
Maintain**

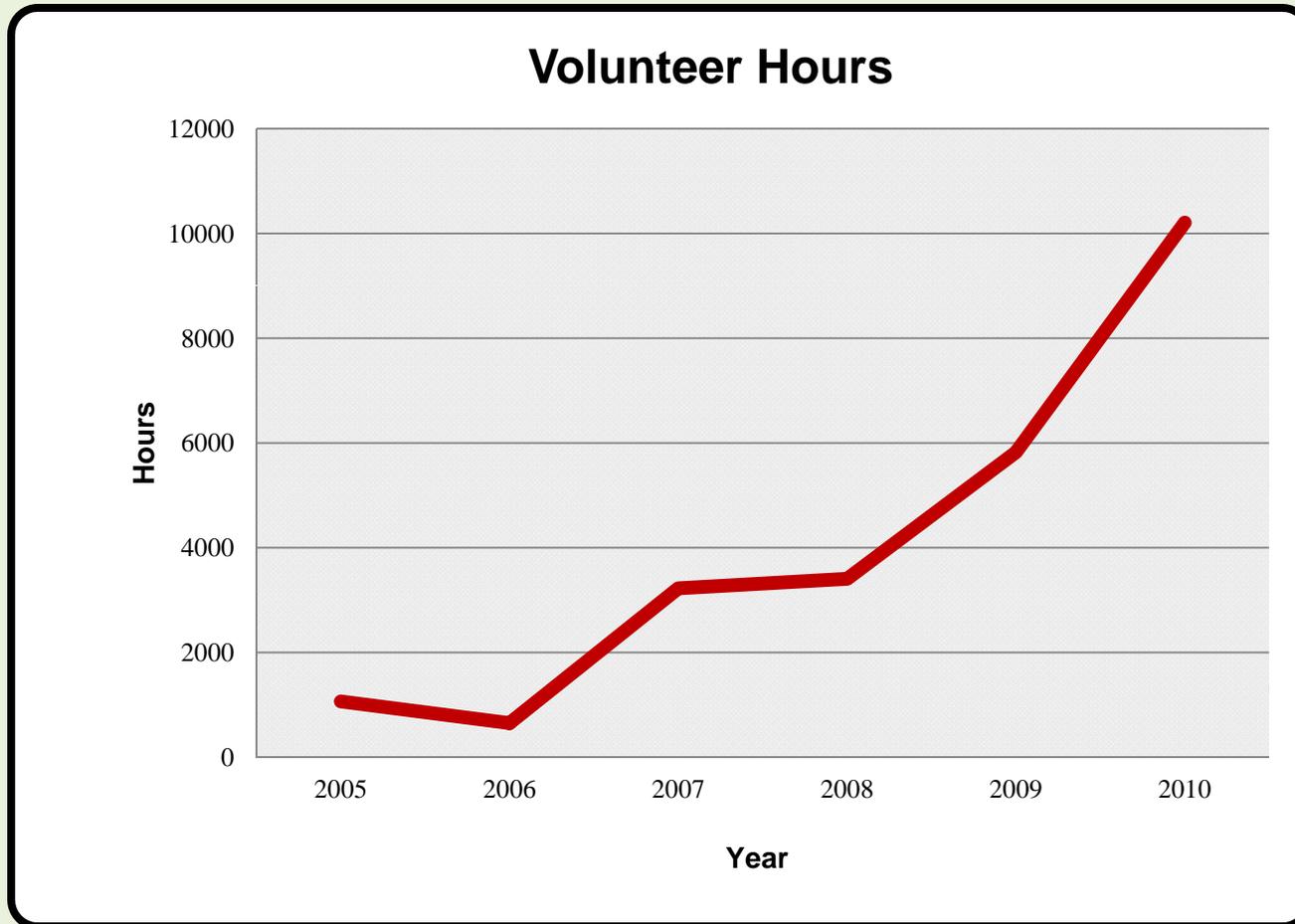
Progress on the 20 Year Plan

– Area in Restoration

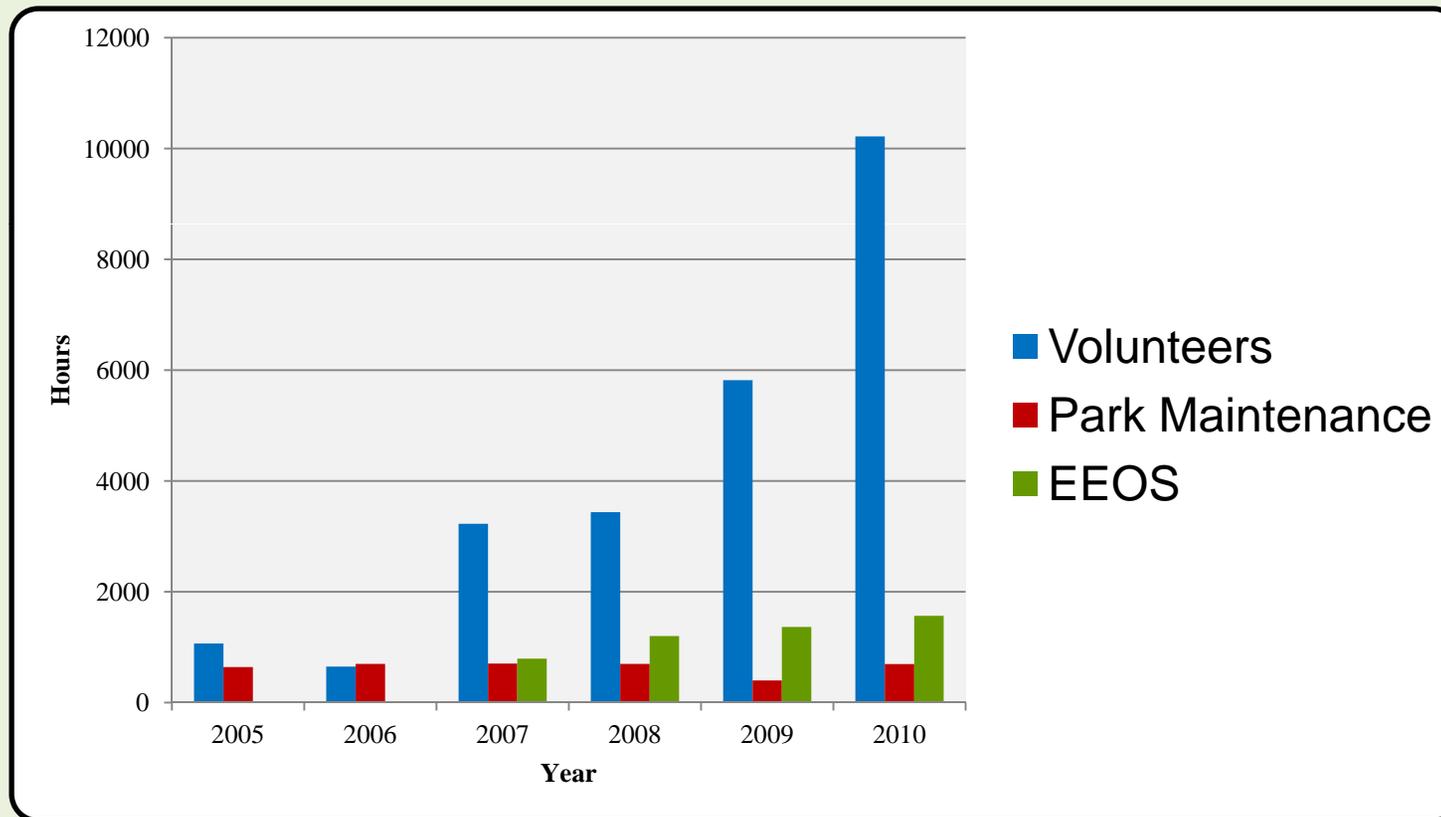


Success Factors

Importance of Volunteers



Staff Resources to support volunteers



Challenges

- Sustainable funding
- Requests to grow program
- Staffing
- Partnerships
- Outreach/education

Green Kirkland Partnership

Partnering Organizations:

1. The City of Kirkland
2. King Conservation District
3. EarthCorps
4. Washington Native Plant Society
5. University of Washington Restoration Ecology Network
6. Cascade Land Conservancy
7. Robidoux Foundation
8. Ford of Kirkland
9. National Wildlife Federation
10. Kirkland Kiwanis Sunrisers
11. Citizens of Kirkland, including the Green Kirkland Stewards
12. Community groups, neighborhoods, youth groups, businesses, faith-based groups, park visitors, non-profit organizations

GREEN KIRKLAND
P A R T N E R S H I P



Green Kirkland Partnership



A 20-year plan to restore Kirkland's natural areas through community stewardship