

Department of

PARKS & FORESTRY



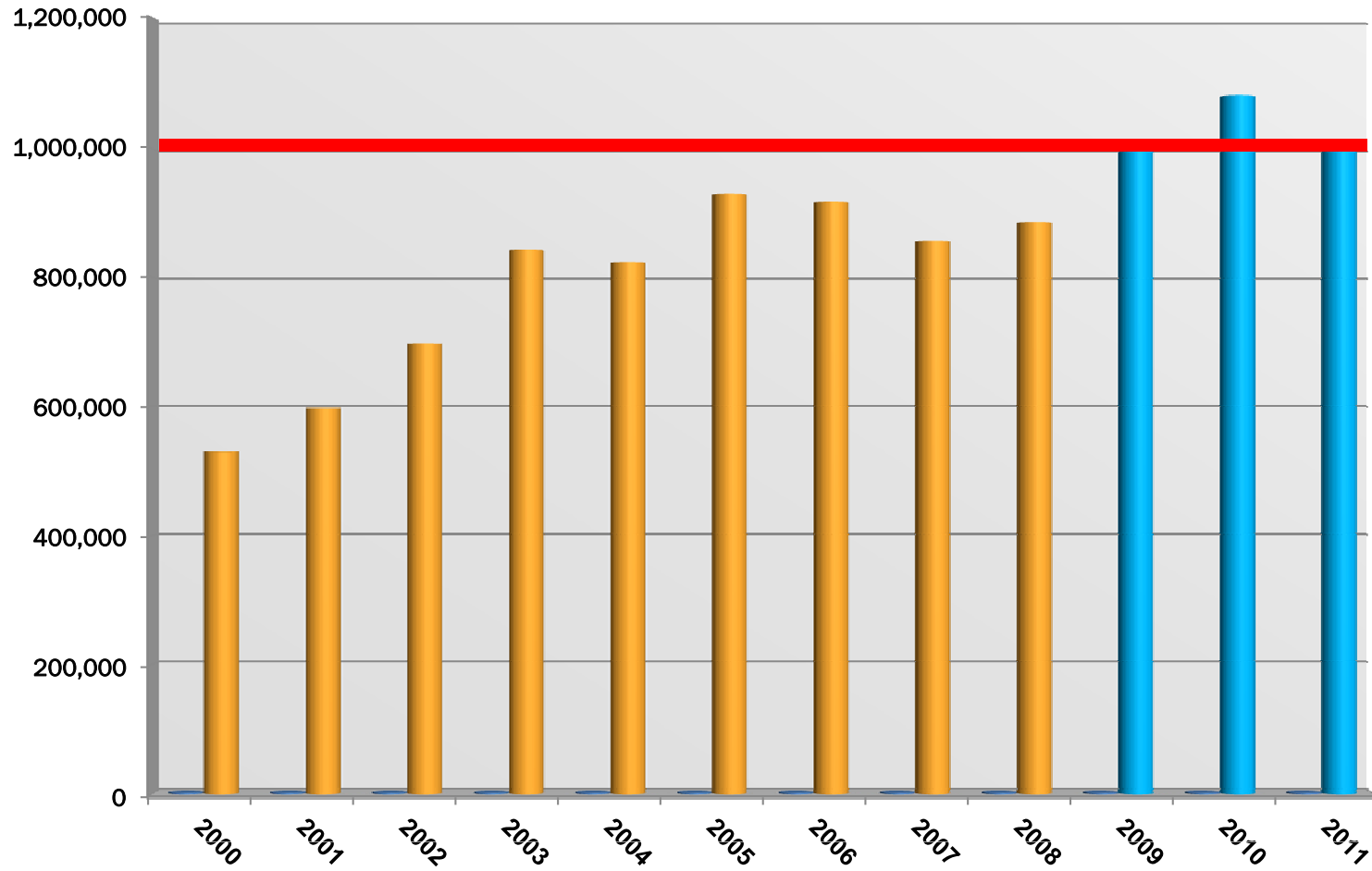
PARKS DIVISION RESPONSIBILITIES & DUTIES



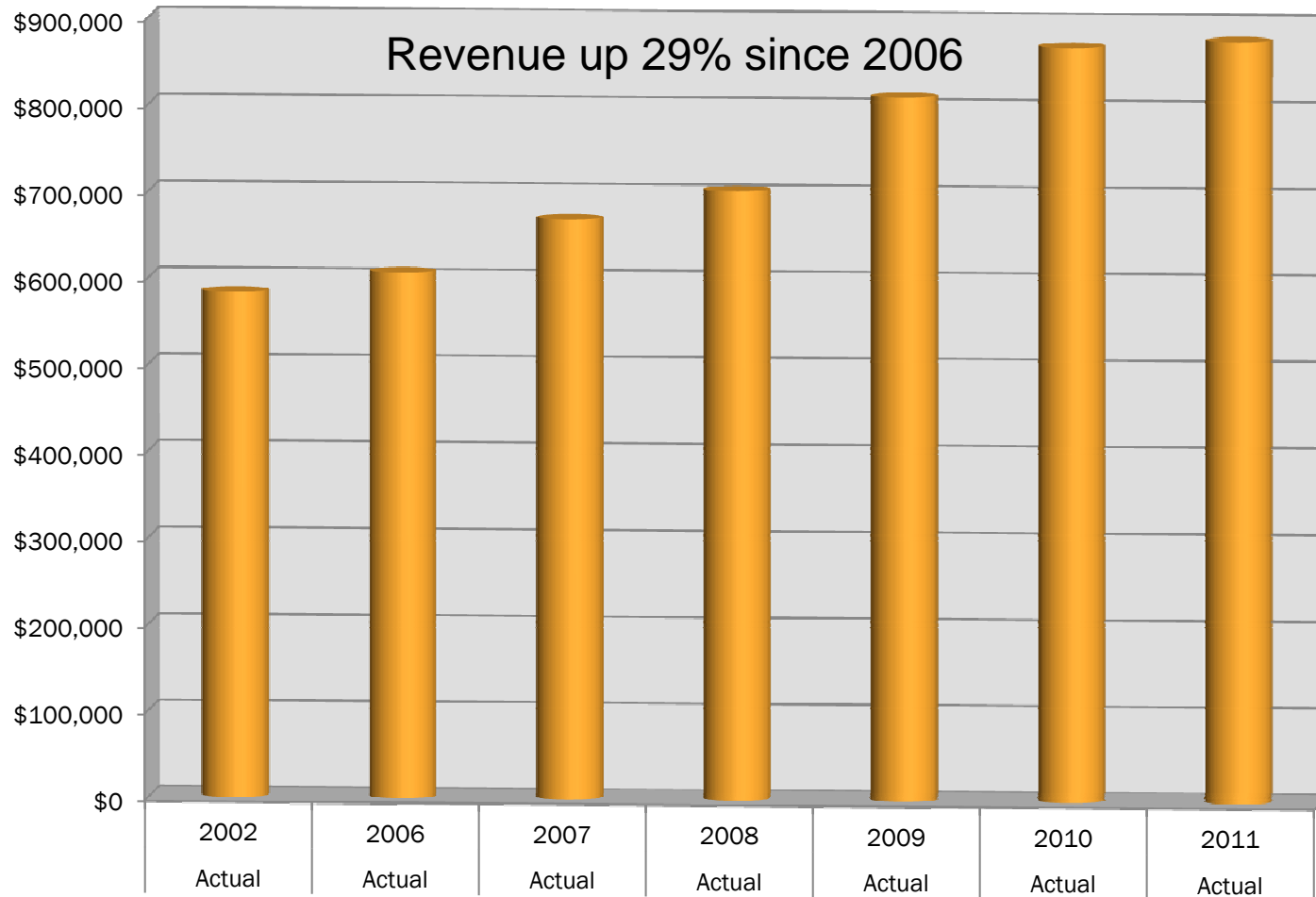
- Responsibilities
- Recreational Opportunities
- Resource Based



PARK ATTENDANCE 2000-2011



PARKS DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REVENUE



SPENCER PARK



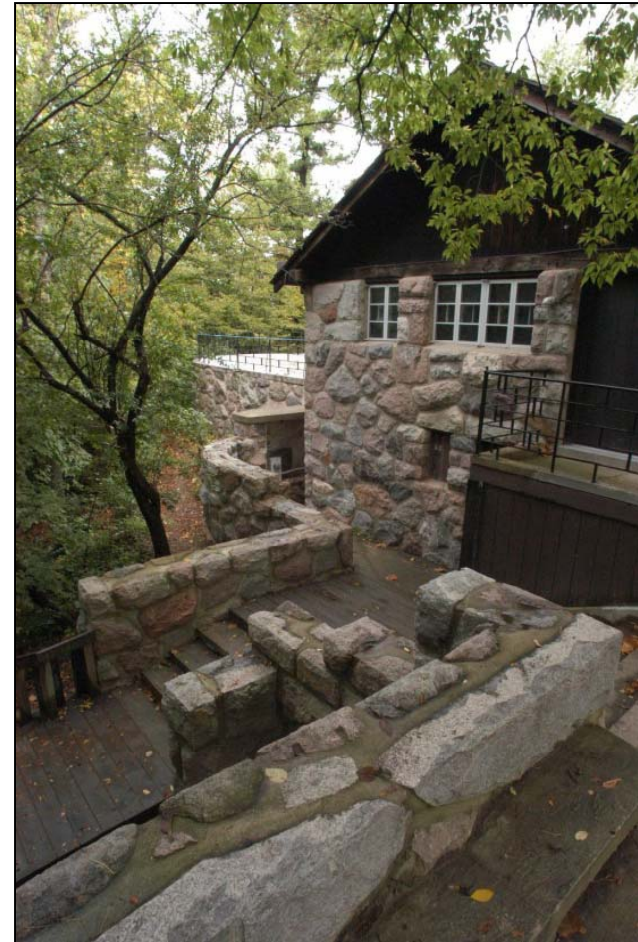
- **Carter Lake is popular year round**
- **Park patrons enjoy a clean, safe and enjoyable park environment close to home**



BLOOMER PARK



- Shelter rentals continue to increase as family reunions and company picnics return to favor
- Expanded RARA camps and programs



BLOOMER PARK



- More community events and fundraisers are being held at Bloomer
- Velodrome participants and race events draw statewide and growing national attention



YATES PARK



- The great spring fishing at Yates is drawing more fishermen from surrounding communities in southeast Michigan



CLINTON RIVER



- Many more kayak and canoe enthusiasts are using an improved Clinton River for recreation



BORDEN PARK



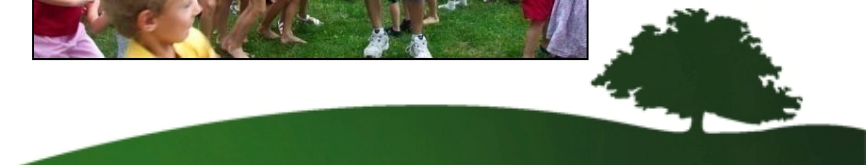
- Continued strong soccer and ball field demand makes a lottery necessary for field usage reservations
- More tournaments and special events are being held



MUSEUM



- Attendance continues to be strong with school groups utilizing the Museum programs to meet their Social Studies curriculum requirements in addition to the variety of programs, exhibits and special events
- 72 new RCS tours to all K-3 grades and 1840's one-room schoolhouse



MUSEUM

- **Volunteers are essential for Museum staffing**
 - 9,817 hours were donated in 2011
- **Seeking national accreditation designation to open opportunities for additional private funding**

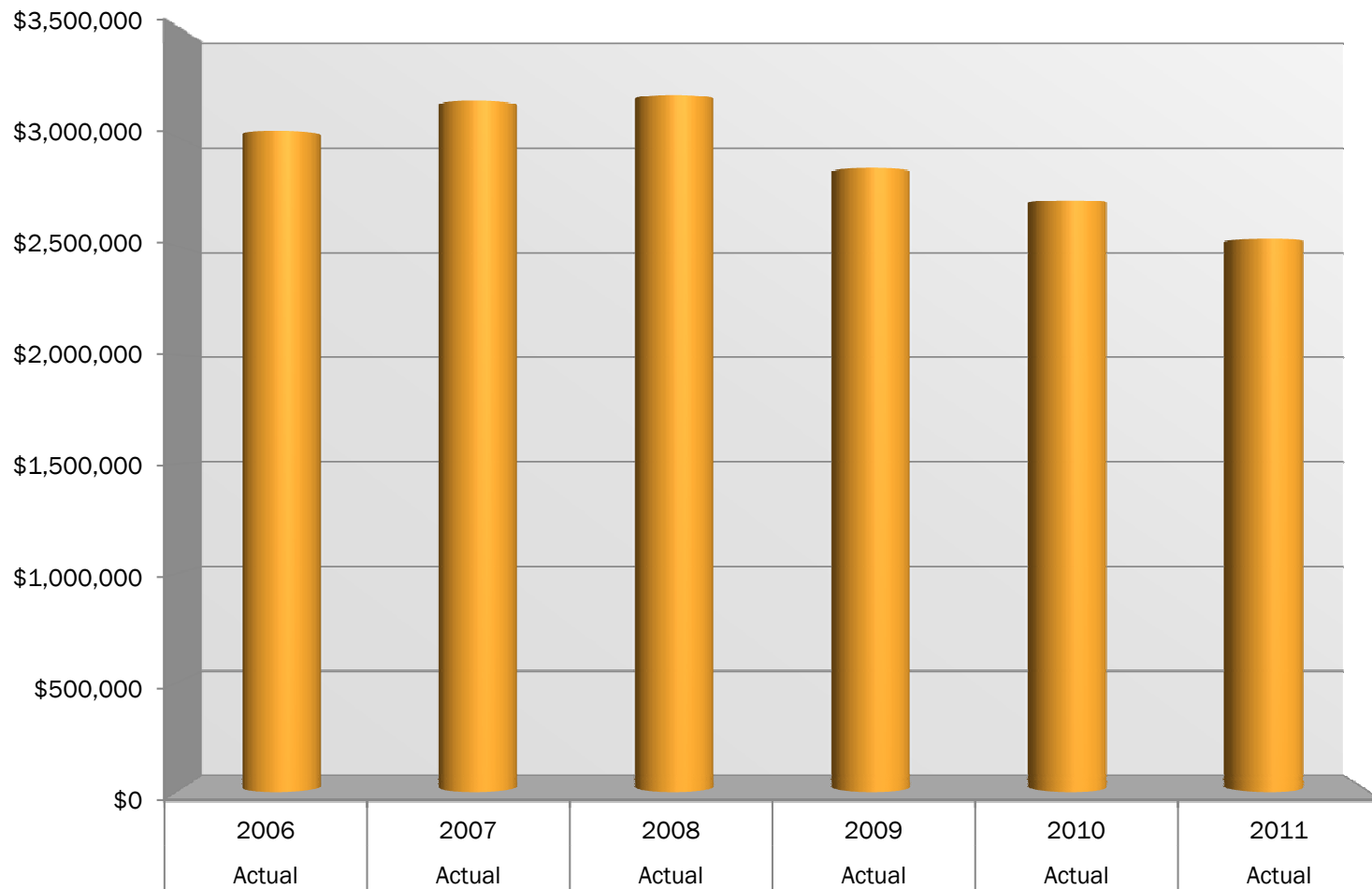


ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

- Based at Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen Farm and other park sites
- Monthly programs and outreach to school groups



PARKS DEPARTMENT ANNUAL EXPENDITURES



FORESTRY DIVISION

- **Responsibilities & Duties**
 - **Quality of Life**
 - **Safety**
 - **Planting**
 - **Tree City USA**



FORESTRY DIVISION



Pathway Clearance



Clinton River Clearance for
Canoes/Kayaks



Street Tree Planting



Storm Damage Cleanup



Arbor Day 2012



FORESTRY DIVISION

2011 Service Level

- Maintenance of street trees on:
 - 240 miles of subdivision local roads,
 - 38 miles of Hamlin, Livernois, Adams, and Walton, and all city-owned properties.
- Two field rangers for all tree maintenance and 500 to 700 service requests on ROW and city property annually.
- Proposed to shift one Seasonal Laborer and a portion of an existing full-time Groundskeeper from Parks to Forestry to assist during Forestry's peak season.



TREE FUND

- Transfer out of last year's interest earned into General Fund for forestry operations
- For planting trees on City ROW or as match for tree planting grants



GREEN SPACE & NATURAL FEATURES FUND

- Continue seeking grants
- Evaluate and make recommendations on nominated properties



