

Wellington Garden Club
FY 2024/25 END OF YEAR TREASURER'S REPORT
(6/1/24-5/31/25)

Income: ~~\$37,627.34~~ \$38,815.34 (with accounting error taken into consideration*)

During FY 2024/25, the Wellington Garden Club received a generous \$5,000 donation, a \$1,500 grant for the Wildflower Garden, \$675 in various awards, and \$320 in parental donations toward Wekiva camperships. In addition, we profited in the following fundraisers and ongoing program offerings:

• Plant Raffle Meeting	\$1,197.91
• Plant Sale	\$ 979.87
• The King's Academy	\$ 913.00*
* Actual profit was \$893. Accounting errors were identified after the FY had closed. Hence, the attached P/L under-reported income and over-reported expenses.	
• Holiday Luncheon	\$ 905.83
• Shredding	\$ 899.00
• FL Panther (Jt. w Oleander GC)	\$ 574.35
• Spring Luncheon	\$ 86.70
• Garden Art	\$ 10.73
• Mardi Gras Trivia w/ CPK**	\$ 8.39

** CPK Donation of \$84.44 rec'd; will appear in FY 2025/26 records

Expenses: ~~\$43,956.62~~ \$42,768.62 (with accounting error taken into consideration*)

During FY 2024/25, the Wellington Garden Club demonstrated its ongoing commitment to education, community/civic involvement, and environmental stewardship. Of course, we also found ways to socialize and have fun with one another.

Education:

- Awarded college scholarships to six worthy individuals totaling \$8,000
- Sponsored one Wekiva Critter
- Sponsored seven Wekiva Campers
- Sponsored one Wekiva Leader in Training (LIT) teen
- Contributed \$1867 to Youth Activities/Gardens
- Contributed \$490 to various memorials and made charitable donations (including funding the FFGC new club fees for the creation of the Elison Garden Club)
- Co-hosted a joint club Fundraiser with the Oleander Garden Club seminar on the Florida Panther
- Was prepared to sponsor teens for the SEEK summer program and make a capital fund donation however, ongoing construction @ UF interfered with SEEK's programming schedule so WGC neither sponsored nor made a capital donation.

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- Reimbursed \$1,125 to members who had attended in educational workshops, etc.
- Hosted multiple floral design workshops for our membership as a means to build expertise

Community/Civic Involvement:

- Supported Mounts Garden by awarding two one-year memberships (1 family and 1 individual)
- Supported the Village of Wellington's civic events:
 - Earth Day Celebration (hosted a large plant sale and volunteered in the youth demonstrations)
 - Tea Time (sponsored a table and donated a raffle floral piece)
 - Veteran's Day and Memorial Parades
- Donated \$200 to the Wekiva Capital Fund
- Donated \$500 to Habitat for Humanity for purchasing trees
- Provided support, leadership, and representation at the District X and FFGC events
- Held a Flower Show as a means to build bench-strength and expertise while offering a unique Flower Show to the community while incurring expenses 66% under budget

Environmental Stewardship:

- Participated in the annual tree planting event at the Wellington Preserve
- Tended to the butterfly garden at the Wellington Preserve
- Tended to the Wellington Wildflower Meadow
- Donated to environmental causes including Plant-a-Tree (\$223), Coral Reef Restoration (\$100), FL Oceanographic Society seagrass foundation (\$133), Fish and Wildlife Foundation of FL (\$150), and Everglades Foundation (\$100)

Social Activities:

- Seven monthly meetings with interesting, qualified guest speakers
- Around and Abouts
- Mardi Gras Trivia and California Pizza Kitchen fundraiser (\$92.83 FY 2025/26)
- Holiday and Spring Luncheons

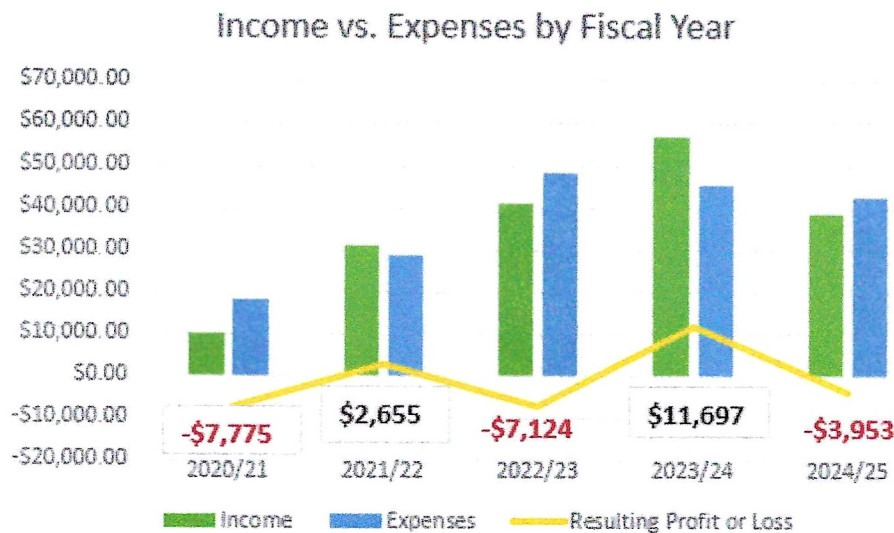
These are a mere sampling of the ways in which the Wellington Garden Club membership actively lives out its Mission Statement:

To further the education of the members and the public in the fields of gardening, horticulture, botany, floral design, landscape design, and environmental awareness through the conservation of natural resources, civic beautification, and nature studies, and to

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instill in our youth the love of gardening and the respect and protection of the environment.

While FY 2024/25 concluded with a deficit in which expenses outpaced income $-\$6,329.25$ $-\$3,953.34$ (with accounting error taken into consideration*), the club has a solid financial foundation. The chart below illustrates that historically, in the years in which we do not host a major fundraiser (e.g., a Garden Tour), the fiscal year ends with a deficit as shown for 2020/21, 2022/23, and 2024/25.



As we begin the new FY 2025/26, we will continue to monitor financial expenditures throughout the year and will make budgeting decisions accordingly. Plans are underway for hosting a memorable Garden Tour in the spring. And like in past years, our membership will rise to ensure the fundraiser is profitable and capable of funding future initiatives.

The **PNC Checking Account Balance on 5/31/25 was \$28,115.43**. See the attached FY 2024/25 Profit & Loss vs. Actuals report for additional details.

Thank you with extending your trust and confidence in us.

Marianne Forrest
Treasurer

Danese Sloan-Kendall
Asst. Treasurer