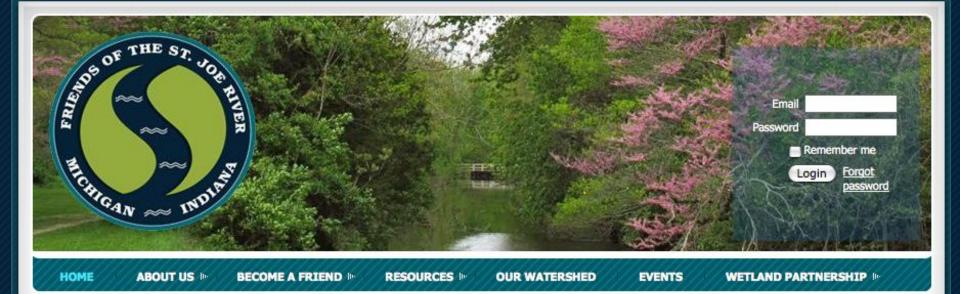
Website & Membership Management System

www.FotSJR.org and Wild Apricot





Welcome!

The Friends of the St. Joe River Association, Inc. (FotSJR) is helping Conservation Districts and other partners in Indiana and Michigan with watershed education, planning and implementation projects within the St. Joseph River Basin.

The FotSJR aspires to:

- · Serve as a center for watershed information
- · Offer technical assistance and support to partners
- · Coordinate implementation of watershed management plans
- Provide tools to target and secure funding for conservation practices

"The FotSJR is like a personal trainer for the watershed. We help our partners get their waterbodies in shape!" - Matt Meersman, President



We want our website to:

- Provide information to the public
- Store and deliver resources for us and our partners

Manage our membership

Manage event registration

Help us raise money

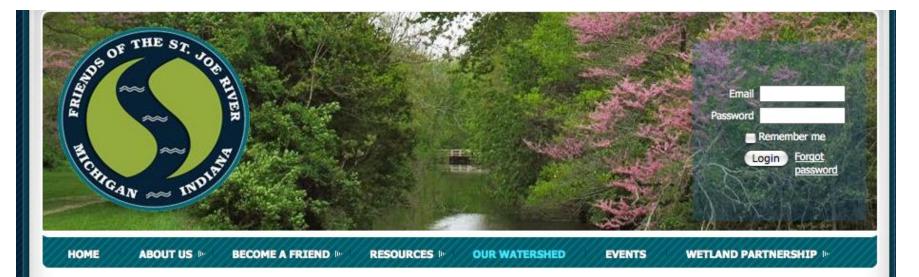


Provide information about:

- The watershed
- Our group
- The river



- Strategies for protection/restoration
- Education and volunteer opportunities



Our Watershed

The St. Joseph River Watershed is located in the southwest portion of Michigan and the northern portion of Indiana. The river flows near the Kalamazoo-Battle Creek area in Michigan and through the Elkhart-Goshen and the South Bend metropolitan areas in Indiana before emptying into Lake Michigan at St. Joseph, Michigan.

The St. Joseph River Watershed by the Numbers:

- · 4,685 square miles are drained by the river (watershed size)
- · 3rd largest watershed draining to Lake Michigan
- · 2 states Indiana and Michigan share the watershed
- 3,000 square miles of the watershed are in Michigan
- 1,685 square miles of the watershed are in Indiana
- · 15 counties are entirely or partially within the watershed
- 1,524,941 people live in the watershed (2000 Census)
- · 210 miles length of the main branch of the river
- . 2 times the main branch crosses the IN/MI state line
- . 1,631 miles length of significant tributaries to the river
- 600 feet of fall from the headwaters to Lake Michigan
- . 70% of the watershed land is used for crop/animal production
- . 50% of historic wetlands in the watershed have been lost



View St. Joseph River Watershed in a larger map



Board of Directors

Executive Committee

- Matt Meersman President
- Maria Mast Vice President
- Melanie Stoughton Secretary
- Danielle Meersman Treasurer

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SJRW Management Plan

Watershed Management Plans

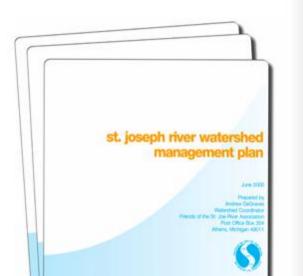
A Watershed Management Plan (WMP) is developed to guide the restoration and protection of a waterbody. Many lakes, rivers and streams in the St. Joseph River Watershed (SJRW) have their own management plan. These plans supplement the <u>overall WMP created for the entire SJRW</u>. Contact us if you have a WMP that should be listed here.

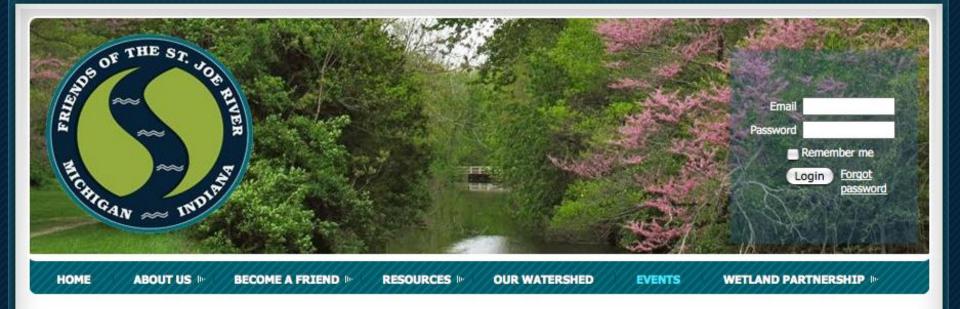
Lake Management Plans

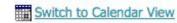
- Paw Paw Lake Management Plan
- Maple Lake Management Plan
- · More to come...

Tributary Management Plans

- Paw Paw River WMP
- Rocky River WMP
- Elkhart River WMP









Please contact us if you have a watershed related event to promote.

Upcoming events

Waterways, Wetlands, and You!

When 19 Apr 2012

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Library, Mishawaka, Indiana

Please join the Corps' Regulatory Staff for a forum that will provide an overview of their Regulatory program. Everyone is welcome to attend! This is a free event, pre-registration is not required. Seating may be limited depending on the venue, so you may want to arrive early.

These forums will also provide an opportunity to interact with Regulatory Project Managers to discuss working in regulated waterways, wetlands, and along shorelines; when a permit is required from the Corps; and the information needed to apply for permits.

The forums will be held at multiple locations on the specified dates and times. Click here to view the full workshop schedule and to find the location nearest you.

Show details

There will be a see how assessed assessed in followed by an application weekshop

Deliver Resources:

- Studies & Data
- Press Releases
- Photos
- Outreach Materials
- Documents





Reports

St. Joseph River Watershed Fish Migration Barrier Inventory

- Final Report (2MB)
- · Appendix 1. Culvert Assessment Data Form
- Appendix 2. <u>Dam Assessment Data Form</u>
- Appendix 3. Culvert Maps, Completed Assessment Forms and Photographs (Part 1 (8MB) & Part 2 (8MB) [Due to file size, this Appendix has been separated into two files]
- Appendix 4. <u>Dams, Completed Assessment Data Forms and Photographs</u> (4MB)
- Appendix 5. Interactive Mapping Application (Contact FotSJR for more information)
- Exhibit 1. Map of St. Joseph River Dam Inspections 2010/2011 (3MB)



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Reports

Press Releases

Photos

Workshop Materials

Press Releases

Management Plans III-

Workshop Looks At Barriers to Fish Migration

Newsletters

Elkhart, IN, October 14, 2011 – The Friends of the St. Joe River assisted the Potawatomi RC&D in gathering local information about fish migration barriers, and hosted a workshop today at the Christiana Creek Country Club in Elkhart on the results of the prioritization process. An inventory of large barriers (i.e. dams) has been completed for the entire watershed. The final report is meant to provide guidance and justification for the funding of barrier removal projects and passage studies by local partners.

Projects

Dams and road/stream crossings can have negative effects on local stream ecology and hydraulics, and road/stream crossings often fail due to design and installation problems. Attendees of the workshop learned ways to properly assess, design and install culverts at road/ stream crossings. The workshop also explored case studies illustrating both problems and solutions. Additionally, the workshop attendees enjoyed an afternoon field trip where they visited and discussed impacts of a dam and design considerations of good and bad road/stream crossings.

The final report and workshop presentations are available here.







Photos

Do you have a spectacular photo of the St. Joseph River that you would like share? Send them to our Outreach Coordinator fotsjr.outreach@gmail.com.



Baby Purple Martin



Fall Along the St. Joseph River Buchanan, Michigan



St. Joseph River South Bend, Indiana





Aerial of St. Joseph River St. Joseph County, Indiana



Frog on White Water Lily (Nymphaea odorata)



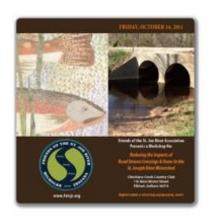
Workshop Materials

October 14, 2011: "Reducing the Impacts of Road Stream Crossings & Dams In the St. Joseph River Watershed"

Workshop Agenda

Presentations:

- <u>Stream Morphology & Impacts of Fragmentation</u> (3 MB), Chris Freiburger
- SJRW Fish Passage Inventory (4 MB), Aaron Snell [Final Report Available Soon]
- Legal Considerations: Laws & Policies Relating to Road Stream Crossings
 - o U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (1 MB), Aaron Damrill
 - o Indiana Department of Environmental Management (2 MB), Aaron McMahan
 - Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (2 MB), Holly Vickers
- Road Stream Crossing Design Considerations, <u>Part 1</u> (2 MB) & <u>Part 2</u> (9 MB), Chris Freiburger[Due to file size, this presentation has been separated into two files]



Useful Tools

Great Lakes Road Stream Crossing Inventory Instructions & Datasheet



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Newsletters

FotSJR Newsletter Winter 2012.pdf (Single Page View)
FotSJR Newsletter Winter 2012.pdf (Full Page View)

Theme: Marsh Madness

Inside this issue:

It's A Swamp Thing! How to Help the Public Care About Marshy, Mucky and Ducky Places

5th Annual St. Joseph River Watershed Council Meeting Marsh Madness In The St. Joseph River Watershed

Creature Feature: Wood Duck

FotSJR Announces Al Smith Watershed Stewardship Award

FotSJR Newsletter Fall 2011.pdf

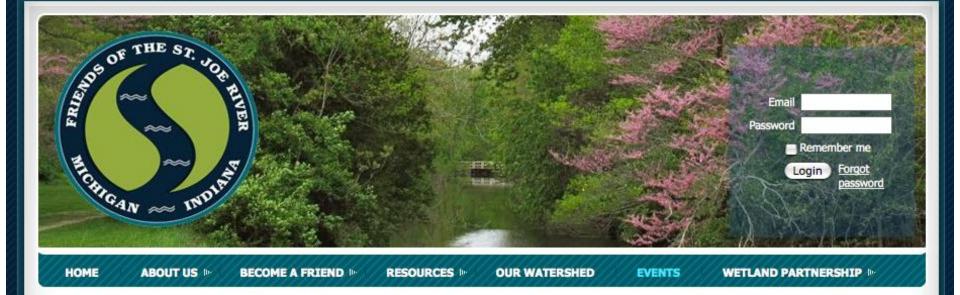
Theme: Impacts To Fisheries

Inside this issue:

No Dumping, Drains To River: Stormdrains Add Pollution, Harm Fisheries Is Our Water Protected?

Put A LID On It! Reducing Urban Runoff in the St. Joseph River Watershed





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Add to my calendar

Monthly Board Meeting

When 23 Feb 2012 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Location Three Rivers Public Library Monthly meetings of the Board of Directors and Watershed Council are usually held on the fourth Thursday of the month at the Three Rivers (Michigan) Public Library at 1:00 p.m. EDT.

Click here to see the February 2012 Meeting Agenda.

Click here to see the January 2012 Minutes.

Meetings are free and open to the public.

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- Online Sign-up
- Renewal Reminders

Membership Levels



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Member

Join the Friends of the St. Joe River (FotSJR)

We offer a variety of tax-deductible membership levels below for Personal and Business contributors, or consider making a <u>donation</u> to support our Wetland Project. Learn more about the <u>benefits of membership</u>. Already a member? Log on and View Profile to renew your membership.

Select membership level

Mandatory fields

- Membership level
- Basic Individual Member \$25.00 (USD)

Subscription period: 1 year

No recurring payments

Basic Individual Members contribute \$25.00 annually.

─ Business/Organization Member - \$100.00 (USD)

Bundle (up to 5 members)

Subscription period: 1 year

No recurring payments

Business/Organization members contribute \$100.00 annually.

─ Family Membership - \$65.00 (USD)

Bundle (up to 4 members)

Subscription period: 1 year

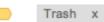
No recurring payments

Family members contribute \$65.00 annually.

Subscription period: Unlimited

Individual Memberhip for life with a one time payment of \$300.

[Admin copy] Renewal due today









Friends of the St. Joe River Association, Inc.

7:12 AM (17 hours ago)



to fotsir.outreach, me, Danielle -

This message has been deleted. Restore message

You are receiving this email because your account is configured to receive such emails at http://fotsjr.wildapricot.org.

Dear John Wilks,

Your Friends of the St. Joe River Association, Inc membership is due today:

15 Apr 2012

For: John Wilks, Indian Lake Association of Vicksburg, Inc. Membership Level: Basic Individual Member (\$25.00 (USD))

Member Since: 15 Apr 2010

Online renewal is easy:

- 1. Log in with your email (indianlakepres@aol.com) and password at www.FotSJR.org
- 2. Click "View Profile" after you log in
- Select the button that says "Renew until..." to initiate the renewal process.

Forgot your password? Don't worry, it's easy to update!

Let us know if you have any problems or questions: fotsir.outreach@gmail.com

Thank you.

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Event Management

- Online registration
- Process payments
- Promote event
- Follow up



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5th Annual St. Joseph River Watershed Council Meeting

Event 5th Annual St. Joseph River Watershed Council Meeting 26 Mar 2012 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM Location: Sturges-Young Auditorium, Sturgis, Michigan

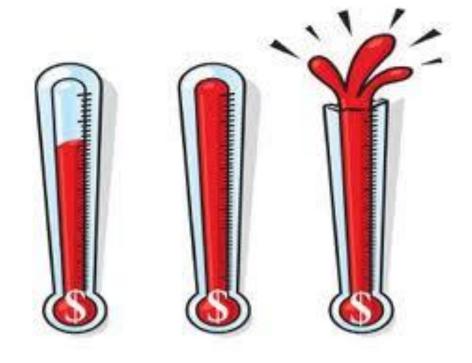
Registered attendees (95)

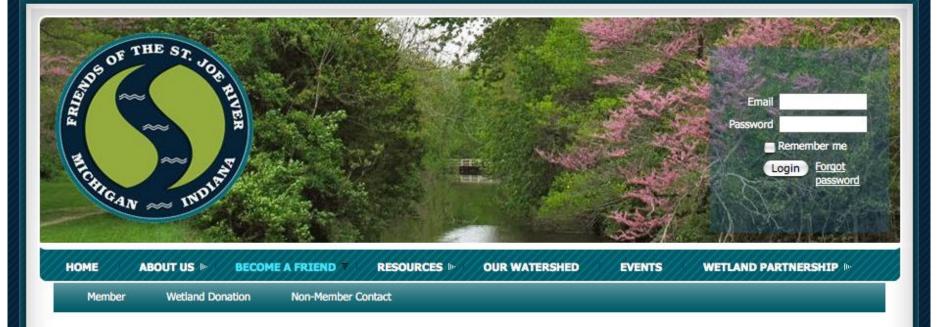
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Date	Name (including guests)		
16 Mar 2012	Brown, Nancy		
16 Mar 2012	Richardson, John		
16 Mar 2012	Anonymous user		
15 Mar 2012	Schmees, Joe		
15 Mar 2012	Owens, Bob - plus 1 guest		
13 Mar 2012	Frymier, Barbra		
13 Mar 2012	Springer, Tom		

Fundraising

- Online donations
- Track progress
- Email "blast"





Support the Friends

Help the Friends of the St. Joe River (FotSJR) offer education/outreach resources with your membership dues. Benefits of membership include newsletters, educational materials and the satisfaction of knowing you are supporting natural resources protection locally.

Your membership fees and donations are tax-deductible expenses.

There are several ways to support the mission of the FotSJR:

- · Join the Friends become a member
- · Encourage someone else to get involved
- · Organize or volunteer at a river clean-up in your area
- Make a tax-deductible donation
- . Be a good steward of the water that enters and leaves your property!

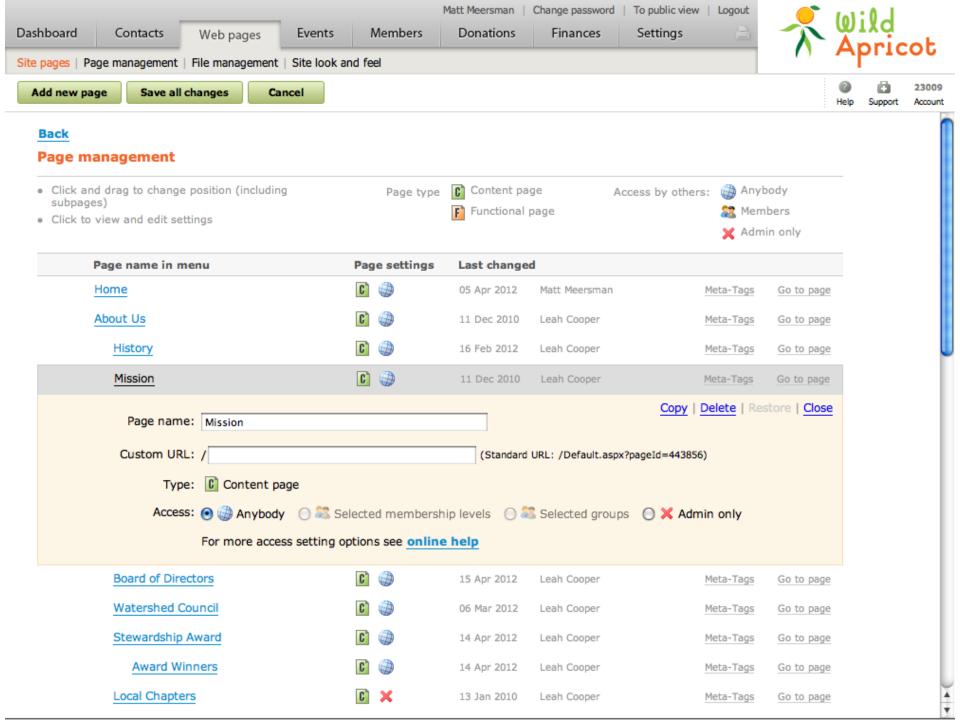
Join and/or donate online, or click here to download our Membership and Donor Information brochure.



So how does it work?

- Website creation & editing
- Membership management
- Event management
- Email
- Cost





Matt Meersman | Change password To public view | Logout Web pages Members Settings Dashboard Contacts Events Donations Finances Overview | Referrals | Support 23009 Current version is 4.3.11, released on 14 December 2011 (See release history) Help Support Account Contacts database Your account Group, \$ 25 / month Contact New in last 7 days New in last 30 days Current Currently using 133 MB (66%) type of available 200 MB Account and Billing 173 1 21 Total Contacts Referrals 7 Members 96 2 Tell a friend Spread the word -3 Donors 22 Or Earn referral commissions 116 17 Event attendees Next 3 events Title **Pending** Total Confirmed Date 19 Apr 2012 Monthly Board Meeting 19 Apr 2012 Waterways, Wetlands, and Celebrating Our Water! 22 Apr 2012 Last 5 donations Date Name Amount 26 Mar 2012 Melanie Stoughton \$80.00 (USD)

\$50.00 (USD)

26 Mar 2012

Jeff Muston





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Member list (Summary | Keyword search | Advanced search | Saved searches)

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Business/Organization Member	14 (6)	6	_8_	8	-	-	-	-	-
Family Membership	6 (3)	_5	_1_	1	-	-	-	-	-
Individual Lifetime Member	4	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Non-Member Contact	10	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	96 (9)	62	30	28	4	2	-	2	7



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Membership level list

Renewal	Membership fee	Public can apply	Member can change to
Every 1 year (starting from join date)	\$25.00 (USD)	Yes	
Every 1 year (starting from join date)	\$100.00 (USD)	Yes	
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Event: Celebrating Our Water!

Registration is disabled.

Event details Registration form Registration types Emails Attendees (0)

Basic information Celebrating Our Water! Title earth day celebration Tags When and where Start Date 22 Apr 2012 2:00 PM End Date 5:00 PM Elkhart County Historical Museum, Bristol, Indiana Location Organization default Time zone (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada) List registrants on event page

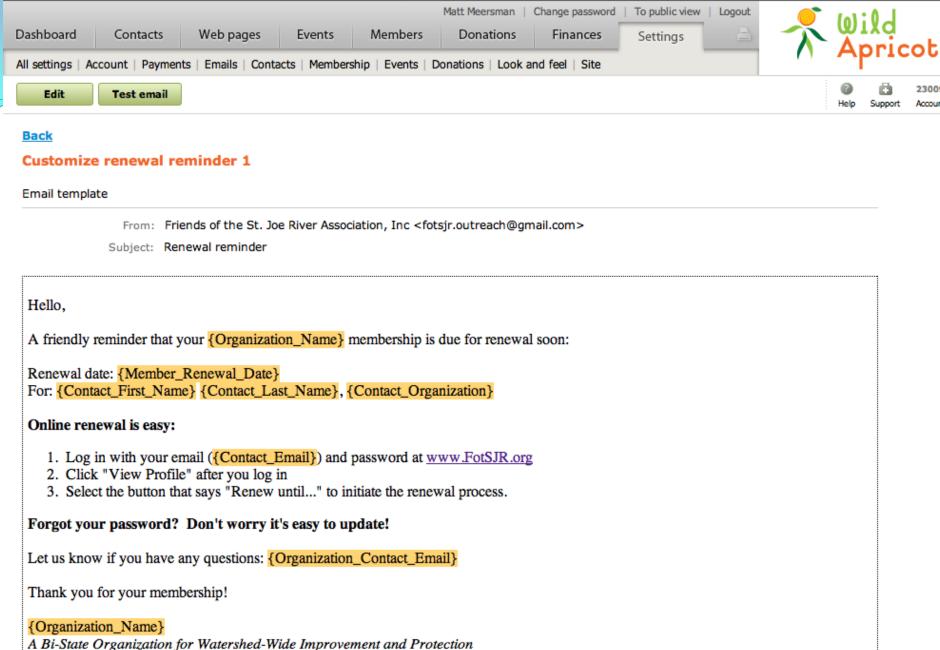
X Show attendees who want to be listed

Description

Join Elkhart County Parks, Middlebury Parks and the Elkhart Environmental Center and Woodlawn Nature Center for an Earth Day celebration on Sunday, April 22, 2012 at the Elkhart County Rush Memorial Museum in Bristol, Indiana. Account

Click here for more details.

Additional event information to be inserted in registration confirmation email



Cost

- OUR PLAN: \$25/month
 - 250 contacts, 200 MB file storage, 10 MB upload limit
- FREE w/ Ads
 - 50 contacts, 100 MB file storage, 5 Mb upload limit
 - their domain name, limited themes, no online payments, only 1 administrator
- \$50/month
 - 500 contacts, 400 MB file storage, 25 MB upload limit
 - recurring payments, limited access administrators
- \$100/month
 - 2000 contacts, 800 MB file storage, 50 MB upload limit

I am NOT a representative of:



Questions???

Website: www.FotSJR.org

• Contact Information:

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