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PLAYING FIELD



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Annual Report

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Mission: Leveling the Playing Field redistributes equipment to expand access and equity within youth sports and recreation programs in under-resourced communities.

Vision: A world with no sidelines



Danielle Miller, LPF Philadelphia Senior Program Director

Danielle was hired in the fall of 2021 to open the third expansion of Leveling the Playing Field in Philadelphia. Danielle has resided in Philadelphia for 13+ years since first attending Temple University where she completed both her undergraduate and graduate degrees in social work. She currently serves as the Program Director of LPF Philly and oversees all local operations. Danielle's passion for Philadelphia, love of sports, and drive to positively impact her community complements LPF's mission to ensure every kid has the opportunity to play.

Joshua Ridenhour, LPF Philadelphia Program Associate

A New Jersey / Philly native, Josh joined LPF in fall 2022 after working in development for a year at his high school alma mater. Josh earned a BA in English from Skidmore College, where he was a full-time soccer student athlete. As a long time athlete and sports fan, and with dedication to a life of serving, Josh found LPF's mission truly inspiring. Excited to continue LPF's progress and growth, Josh has particularly enjoyed working with volunteer groups and getting to know the beneficiaries that visit the warehouse.



2024 BY THE NUMBERS

\$1,226,634

worth of sports equipment **collected**

\$1,086,070

worth of sports equipment **distributed**



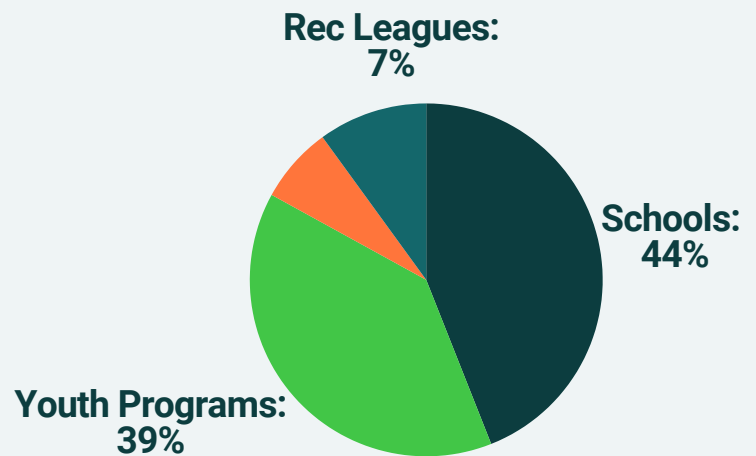
Programs Served

281

total programs impacted

113

new programs reached



2024 Impact



99%

report increased participation

99%

report an ability to reallocate funds

65%

report an ability to introduce a new sport

HEAR WHAT OUR BENEFICIARIES HAVE TO SAY:

“The donations from LPF has helped my students grow confidence in sports that they would never think to play. Also, LPF has helped me help some of my less fortunate kids by providing sneakers, cleats, and clothing for those who could not afford it.”

-The Philadelphia Charter School for the Arts & Sciences



DISTRIBUTION HIGHLIGHTS

FOOTBALL DAY

LPF Philadelphia dedicated a day in August 2024 to distribute football gear to local high schools ahead of their preseason. Football cleats, helmets, shoulder pads, jerseys, and more were all distributed to coaches and athletic directors to help equip their teams. Special thank you to our sponsors **Dunkin'** and the **Philadelphia Eagles!**

\$21,166

worth of football gear

10

local schools



CSC DAY

In February 2024, LPF Philadelphia distributed supplies once again to community school coordinators across the greater Philadelphia area. LPF Philadelphia distributed \$28,943 worth of equipment including **Under Armour** and **Philadelphia Eagles** apparel and **Philadelphia Union** branded gear.

\$28,943

worth of equipment

15

schools

"The donations have allowed some of our students to participate in sports activities who otherwise could not due to not being able to afford appropriate shoes. There were items that our female athletes were able to use that allowed them to feel more comfortable during practices. We have also used some of the items as incentives when students improve their attendance or behavior."

- South Philadelphia High School CSC

PROGRAMS SERVED IN 2024

(Far Northeast) FNE Raiders Football
Abraham Lincoln High School
Academy at Palumbo
Academy Park High School
Add B. Anderson School (CSC)
Alain Locke School
Aldan Youth Club
Alexander K. McClure Elementary School
All Things Are Possible Foundation Inc
Allen M Stearne School
AMANDLA, Inc (Safe-Hub Philadelphia)
American Legion Playground
AmeriCorps Playworks
Amy 5 at James Martin
Antonia Pantoja Charter School
Avon Grove Middle School
B.L.F.C. Academy, Inc.
Back 2 Basics Academy
Ben Franklin High School - Philadelphia
Berks County Nightmare
Berks County Rugby Football Club
Bethlehem Area School District
Binghamton CSD Lacrosse
Blaire Christian Academy
Blankenburg Elementary School
Blues Babe Foundation
Bodine High School for International Affairs
Boys & Girls Clubs of Gloucester County
Bridesburg Elementary school
Bridgeton midget football league
Bristol Borough Recreation
Bronx justice league youth football
Burlington City High School
Camden Centerville Simbas
Camden Greenways Inc.
Camden Prep High School (Inc)
Camp Onas
Castor Gardens Middle School
Center for Loss and Bereavement
Centerville Youth Athletic Association
Central High School Football
Change Up Sports
Chester Charter Scholars Academy
Chester township cougars
Chester Upland Youth Soccer and Youth Development United
CHOP's Center for Health Equity May Community Health
Partnership Clinic
Cibotti Recreation Center, Phila Parks & Recreation
Clara Barton Elementary School

CIs Mustangs
Coaches of Concern
Collegium Charter School
Collingdale bulldogs
Community church of Folsom
Community Council Learning Academy (CC Health Systems)
Community YMCA of Eastern Delaware County
Conestoga Girls Ice Hockey
Conestoga Playground
Constitution High School
Cook-Wissahickon school
Cramp Elementary
CYA Gators
Delaware County Health Department
Delta School
Dobbins CTE
Dorothy Emanuel Recreation Center
Dr. Henry H. Davis Family School
East Lansdowne Athletic Association
Eddystone Elementary School
Edward Gideon School
Edward Heston School
Edward T Steel Elementary
Edwin M. Stanton School
Ellwood Elementary School
Fab Youth Philly
FE Willard Junior Coach program
Feliz Filadelfia
Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) - Philadelphia
Feltonville Intermediate School
First Philadelphia Preparatory Charter School
First Tee - Delaware
Frankford High School
Franklin Learning Center
Franklin Towne Charter High School
FS Edmonds Elementary School
George W Nebinger School (Soccer Team)
George Washington High School (Community School)
George Westinghouse Career & Technical Education High School
Gilbert Spruance School
Girard Elementary
Girl Invasion Flag Football
Glenolden Youth Club
Gompers elementary
Greater Philadelphia YMCA
Greenberg Elementary
Grover Washington, Jr. Middle School
Hamilton Disston School (CSC)

PROGRAMS SERVED IN 2024

Happy Hollow Playground
Harris School
High School of the Future
Hon. Luis Muñoz Marín school
HYAA
Imhotep Charter High School
JAMES RHOADS ELEMENTARY
Jardel Recreation
JH Brown School
John B Kelly Elementary School
John Bartram High School
John F. McCloskey
John Webster Elementary School
Joseph Pennell Elementary School
Joseph W. Catharine Elementary
Jules E. Mastbaum AVTS
Julia de Burgos Elementary School
Kearny Elementary
Kensington Football
Kipp DuBois Collegiate Academy
Kuvuna Foundation
LEAP Academy University Charter School
Lebanon Youth Softball
Leesa Athletics
Leprechauns youth sports
Lewis C Cassidy
liberty bell youth org.
Little Flowers Early Childhood & Development Center
LUCY Outreach
M.S. 53 Brian Piccolo
MARIANA BRACETTI ACADEMY
Martin Luther King High School
Martin Luther King HS
Mast Community Charter
Mastbaum High School
Mastery - Clymer Campus Elementary
Mastery - Frederick Douglass Upper
Mastery - High School of Camden
Mastery - Molina Upper
Mastery Charter - Harrity Elementary
Mastery Charter Pastorius-Richardson
Mastery Pickett Campus
Mastery- Cramer Hill
Mayfair Recreation Center
Mayfair School
Mid-City Youth Athletic Association, Inc.
Middle Years Alternative School (SDP)
Monroe Special Sports
Motivation High School
Murphy Recreation Center
Murrell Dobbins AVTS High School
Networks Penguins/Networks School for Employability Skills
Neumann-Goretti HS
NICETOWN TITANS
Noel Soccer Foundation
Norf Side Buccs
North Philly Blackhawks 6U
North Rockland Youth Hockey Association
Northeast Bradford School District
Northeast High School - Philadelphia
OCF Community Schools (Kensington Health Sciences Academy)
Olney High School
Open Field
Overbrook Educational Center
Overbrook High School
Overbrook youth sports club-West Philly eagles
Overlook Colony Civic Association
Pa Elite Athletes
Panther Community Foundation/Chester Panthers Youth Empowerment
Park Lane Elementary School
Parkway West High School
Paul L. Dunbar School
Pelham Bay Little League
Penn Treaty School
Penrose Elementary School
Penrose Rec
People for People Charter School
Pequea Valley
PEQUEÑO FREDDY FOUNDATION
Philadelphia Aces
Philadelphia Athletics Youth Sports Association
Philadelphia Military Academy
Philadelphia School District of Phila. - Sturgis Football
Philadelphia Youth Football Academy
Philadelphia Youth Sports Collaborative
Philly en Hielo, INC
Playworks - AB Day School
Playworks - Andrew Morrison
Playworks - Bluford Charter School
Playworks - CW Henry
Playworks - Gloria Casarez Elementary
Playworks - James J. Sullivan Elementary
Playworks - Juniata Park Academy
Playworks - Mitchell Elementary
Playworks - Morton McMichael
Playworks - Spruance Gilbert
Police Athletic League Centers (PAL) - Office of School Safety

PROGRAMS SERVED IN 2024

PPA
 Project Primacy Foundation
 Pyaa
 Radnor Ice Hockey Club
 Richard R. Wright School - Philadelphia
 Richmond School
 Safe-Hub Philadelphia
 SALONE FC
 Samuel Fels High School
 Samuel Gompers Elementary (CSC)
 Samuel Pennypacker School
 Sankofa Freedom Academy
 Scanlon Recreation Center
 Science Leadership Academy
 Sharon Hill Ramblers
 Sharon Hill School
 Shoes for Your Soul
 Shot Tower Playground Department of Parks and Recreation
 Sing Sing Youth Lacrosse Club
 Smith Memorial Playground
 South Philadelphia High School
 South Philadelphia Hurricanes
 South Philly Sigma Sharks
 Southeast Delco School District (Middle School)
 Southwark School (CSC)
 Southwest rams
 Sow Good Now
 Special Olympics PA Philadelphia
 SS. Cyril & Philomena School
 Stephen Decatur School
 Street Soccer USA
 Support Sports in Sierra Leone
 Swenson Arts and Technology High School
 Tacony Academy Charter High School
 Tacony Academy Charter Middle School
 Taggart Elementary School
 Team Up Philly
 The Adderley Foundation

The Block Gives Back
 The Boxing Temple
 The Delaware State Fair, Inc. Centre Ice Rink
 The Kindness Project
 The Neighborhood Center
 The Philadelphia Charter School of Arts & Sciences
 The Skateboard Academy of Philadelphia
 The Steelers Youth Athletic Club
 Thomas A. Edison High School
 Thomas Edison High School
 Tilden Middle School
 Tilden MS
 Trenton Central High School
 Turn Two Youth Services
 Tustin Playground
 Upland Hurricanes Youth Football
 Upper Darby Rec
 Upper Darby Township
 Urban Sports Rescue
 Urban Youth Kings & Queens
 UrbanPromise Ministries INC
 Vaux Big Picture High School
 Veterans Memorial Family School
 Vogt Lightning
 Vogt Recreation center
 Warehouse Sports (PHL)
 West Catholic Prep Football
 West Deptford Youth Football
 West Mill Creek Rec Center
 West Philadelphia High School
 West Philadelphia panthers
 Westbrook Park Youth Association
 Willingboro Panthers Inc
 Willingboro Recreation
 Wings of Steel Sled Hockey Program
 Woodhaven Recovery
 Youth Mentoring Partnership/Mastery Lacrosse
 Ziegler Elementary



SUPPORTERS



Volunteers

LPF relies heavily on volunteers in order to keep our warehouses organized and easy to navigate. Our help comes from local families, middle-schoolers, high-schoolers, college groups, and corporate groups alike. LPF Philadelphia was excited to work with groups such as **Boeing, Campbells, CHOP, Comcast, and Philadelphia Flyers** – all of whom volunteered their time at our warehouse in 2024.

We could not carry out our mission without the steady flow of helping hands inventorying and sorting gear in our warehouses week after week. Thank you for sustaining our work!

1,412

hours volunteered

677

volunteers

99

collection drives

11

bin ambassadors



Collection Drives

Kids, families, teams, and companies in our community run collection drives throughout the year, helping LPF collect thousands of dollars worth of sports equipment. These collection efforts truly fuel our work and keep our warehouse stocked so that we can keep up with the high demand of gear from local schools and youth programs.

We want to thank everyone who collected gear for us in 2024 and hope to see you again soon!

2024 Major Funders

Burlington, Inc.
 Carol Lusignea Memorial Fund
 Citadel Credit Union
 Dunkin'
 Flyers Charities
 Foundation for Delaware County
 Foundations Community Partnership
 Franklin Mint Federal Credit Union
 Greg McDonald Foundation
 Henrietta Tower Wurts Foundation
 Henry E. Niles Foundation
 Inverness Graham
 Patricia Kind Family Foundation
 Philadelphia Eagles
 Philadelphia Foundation
 Philadelphia Union
 Pincus Family Foundation
 Sixers Youth Foundation
 Subaru of America
 The Brook J. Lenfest Foundation
 The W.W. Smith Charitable Trust
 The Wilbur C and Betty Lea Henderson Foundation
 Wawa Foundation

2024 Major In-Kind Donors

Arkema
 Bryn Mawr Running Company
 DTCC
 Eastern PA Youth Soccer Association
 EJMF
 Flaster Greenberg PC
 Focus Reg - Krista / Jamie
 Gwynedd Mercy University
 Harry S. Truman High School
 HERSPORT
 Jack and Jill of America
 Johnson & Johnson
 Longstreth Sporting Goods
 Main Line Health
 Overbrook High School
 Philadelphia Dragons Sports Association
 Philadelphia Eagles
 Philadelphia Union
 Philly Blast
 Pope John Paul II High School
 Radnor High School
 Salesianum School
 Sixers Youth Foundation
 Sports Unlimited
 Upper Dublin Parks and Recreation
 Wilmington Blue Rocks
 YMSL Livingston



LPF Philadelphia FY24 Revenue & Expenses

REVENUE

Corporate Contributions	\$9,090
Foundation Contributions	\$158,543
Individual Contributions	\$24,898
Total Revenue	\$192,531

EXPENSES

Personnel	\$168,827
Facilities & Equipment	\$70,431
Program Supplies	\$2,600
Travel and Meetings	\$6,601
Miscellaneous	\$8,008
Total Expenditures	\$256,467
Net Revenue	-\$63,936

Advisory Board

Abbe Stern
CHOP, Manager Food Pharmacies

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Development Manager

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Activation

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Community Athletics Coordinator

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Beverage

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