

# LPF | LEVELING THE PLAYING FIELD



2023 Annual Report  
GREATER WASHINGTON

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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



## Meet Mike Pierce, LPF Greater Washington Program Director

Mike moved to the D.C. area in 2008 to start his undergraduate degree at George Washington University, and he never left. He later obtained his Master's degree in Sports Industry Management from Georgetown University and a Sports Philanthropy certificate from George Washington University. Mike previously worked for Monumental Sports & Entertainment Foundation, Nationals Philanthropies, and Ascend Fundraising Solutions where he worked with local professional sports teams.

The one constant throughout his childhood was participating in sports to play and make new friends. Mike is committed to ensuring all kids have the chance to play sports and participate as he did. After helping LPF Greater Washington get started in its new Silver Spring warehouse, Mike looks forward to increasing collection, growing our recurring volunteers, and expanding distribution.



## Meet Anninah Henry, LPF Greater Washington Program Associate

Anninah is a native Washingtonian who participated in many youth sports programs, such as cheerleading and rugby. During college, Anninah managed the Howard Bison football team, as well as the Lady Bison basketball team, which sparked her interest in Sports Management. Anninah has previous experience working full-time as a Montessori teacher as well as experience working many summer camps as a Safety and Sports Coordinator. She earned her Bachelor of Science in Sports Medicine from Howard University in 2022. Anninah joined LPF in 2023 after missing sports being a part of her daily life.

# 2023: A YEAR OF GROWTH

## LPF GREATER WASHINGTON HAS A NEW HOME

📍 Brookville Road



📍 Monard Drive



After ten incredible years, we decided it was time for LPF Greater Washington to upgrade to a bigger, better warehouse. Last summer we cleaned out our Brookville Road space, packed up our truck, and drove down the street to move into our new warehouse at 8845 Monard Drive.

We can now store more equipment, host larger volunteer groups, and host distribution events for our partners – and all just a three minute drive from the old space. This warehouse has drastically increased our capacity to serve the community (and it is temperature controlled, so no more shivering winter days for our staff and volunteers)! We look forward to seeing you in our new space!

## 10TH ANNIVERSARY

In 2023 we celebrated 10 years of carrying out our mission of providing free sports equipment to kids in under-resourced communities. We hosted a celebration at Hook Hall in Washington, DC with our partners, supporters, and friends. Our community helped us raise over \$130,000 to support LPF's continued growth to new markets so that we can help more kids get off the sidelines and back on the field.

For more info on our 10th anniversary celebration, see LPF's national annual report.



# 2023 BY THE NUMBERS

**\$1,226,382.45**

worth of sports equipment collected

**\$1,033,619.30**

worth of sports equipment distributed

**331**

total programs impacted

**92**

new programs reached

## Programs Served

Rec Leagues:  
8%



Schools:  
50%

Youth Programs:  
42%

# 2023 IMPACT



Hear what our beneficiaries have to say:

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**100%**

report increased participation

**91%**

report an ability to reallocate funds

**2 in 3**

report an ability to introduce a new sport

“Until recently, some students were unable to participate due to the lack of sufficient equipment. The items we have obtained from LPF have allowed us to increase participation. So far the increase in equipment has allowed us to begin engaging students.”

*-Flintstone Elementary School*

# DISTRIBUTION HIGHLIGHTS

## FOOTBALL DAY

LPF Greater Washington dedicated a day in August 2023 to distribute football gear to local high schools ahead of their preseason. Football cleats, helmets, should pads, jerseys, and more were all distributed to coaches and athletic directors to help equip their teams.

**\$22,160**  
worth of football gear

**8**  
local schools



## MSYSA CLEAT DISTRIBUTIONS

In 2023, LPF Greater Washington distributed cleats once again through our partnership with Maryland State Youth Soccer Association (MSYSA). Together, LPF Greater Washington & LPF Baltimore distributed pairs of cleats for kids across Maryland, supporting eight schools locally in Montgomery County.

**\$37,928**  
worth of equipment

**16**  
local schools

*"MSYSA's Let's Play! Fall '23 season made the biggest impact in the history of the program, with over 740 children receiving a free pair of cleats. **For many of these children, this was their very first pair of cleats, and their excitement was beyond words. The cleats not only helped players improve their performance on the field but also boosted their confidence and self-esteem, which will have a lasting impact on their lives.** We're extremely thankful for our partnership with LPF, which helps us fulfill our mission to 'Grow the Game and Transform Lives!'"*

*-Kelli Doherty, Let's Play! Coordinator at MSYSA*

# PROGRAMS SERVED IN 2023

1 Way 2 Rise  
100 Black Men of Prince George's County, Inc.  
4-H, Washington DC  
ABI Sports  
Abol United FC  
Academia Rommel Cruz Boy Club Puerto Plata,  
Dominican Republic  
Adopt-a-Gym  
AFS-USA Capital Area Team  
Albert Einstein High School  
Alex Coleman  
Alexandria Soccer Association  
Allenwood Elementary School  
Anacostia AMP Outreach Empowerment Center  
Andrew Jackson Academy  
Angels Baseball  
Apex Lacrosse LLC  
Apple Grove Elementary School  
Arcola Elementary  
Argyle Middle School  
Asian American LEAD  
Aspen Hill Soccer Club  
Aspire! Afterschool  
Athletes for Hope  
Ballou High School  
Barnaby Manor Elementary  
BDK INTER  
Bel Pre Elementary School  
Beltsville Boys and Girls Club  
Benjamin Stoddert Middle School  
Bladensburg Elementary School  
Bladensburg High School  
Blake High School  
Boys & Girls Club - Jelleff Community Center Club  
Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Washington FBR Branch  
Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Washington Richard  
England Clubhouse 14  
Boys and Girls Club - George M. Ferris, Jr. Clubhouse 6  
Boys and Girls Club of Greater Washington  
Boys Town Washington D.C.  
Bradbury Heights Community School  
Brightwood Elementary School  
Brock Bridge Elementary School  
Brookhaven Elementary School  
Bruce Monroe Elementary School at Park View  
Buck Lodge Middle School  
Buckingham Elementary School  
C.H. Flowers High School  
Calvert County American Little League  
Calverton Elementary  
Camp Sarraka / 1st Rd S  
Capitol Heights ES  
Cardozo Education Campus  
Carmody Elementary School  
Carole Highlands Elementary  
Carrollton Elementary School  
Casa Chirilagua  
Cecil Owls  
Center City Brightwood PCS  
Center City Charter School - Capitol Hill  
Center City Trinidad Campus  
Cesar Chavez Dual Spanish Immersion  
Charles Barrett Elementary School  
Charles County Public Schools  
Chester Jet Football League  
Chillum Elementary School  
Chris Yung Elementary School  
City Of Rockville Latino Youth Development  
Clinton Boys and Girls Club  
Columbia Association Youth and Teen Center  
Columbia Heights Panthers  
Cooper Lane Elementary  
Cora L. Rice Elementary School  
CORE FC Inc.  
Crethaven Elementary School  
CSA Foundation Inc  
Damascus High School Adapted Physical Education  
and Physical Education  
DC International School



# PROGRAMS SERVED IN 2023

DC Knights Youth Sports  
DC Panthers Water Polo, Inc  
DC Police Foundation  
DC Scores  
Deanwood Community Center  
Delta Sigma Theta-DC chapter  
District Heights Elementary School  
District Reign Football Club  
DMV Hoops Academy  
Dodge Park Elementary School  
Doswell E Brooks ES  
DPR / Athletes Unlimited  
Dr. Charles Drew Elementary School (MD)  
Dr. Charles R. Drew Elementary School (VA)  
Drew Elementary School  
Drew Freeman Middle School  
DuVal High School  
Dwight D. Eisenhower Middle School  
Eastern Panhandle Cavalry  
Eastern Senior HS  
Educational Sustainability Mobilization Inc  
Eleanor Roosevelt High School  
Elite Soccer Youth Development Academy  
Emerging Scholars  
Enhancing Learning and Play, Corp  
Eritrean American Youth Sports Association of  
Maryland (EriStars)  
EveryMind  
Excel Academy Public School  
FAEDOM 809  
Fairmont Heights High School  
FCA Frederick  
First Challengers Little League Baseball and  
Softball  
First Tee of Greater Washington, DC

Flintstone Elementary School  
Fort Foote Elementary School  
Fox Chapel Elementary School  
Francis Scott Key Elementary School  
Fredericksburg Youth Roller Hockey  
Freedom High School  
Friendly High School  
Friends of Emery Heights Community  
Fundacion Asistiendo Estudiantes D (FAEDOM)  
Fundacion Los Ninos de Maria, Inc  
G. James Gholson Middle School  
Gaithersburg Elementary School  
Gaithersburg High School  
Gaithersburg Parks & Rec  
Garrett Park ES  
GearUp4Kidz  
Georgian Forest Elementary School  
Glen Haven Elementary School  
Glenarden Boys and Girls Club  
Glenridge Elementary School  
Global Impact Sport Inc.  
God is Able  
Golfing for Excellence  
Grace Community Development Corporation  
Greencastle Elementary School  
Greene Early College High School  
Gun Springs Community Center (NCS)  
H. D. Woodson Senior High School  
Hallie Wells Middle School SESES Program  
Hands Up Guns Down  
Harlem Lacrosse - ACCE  
Harmony Baseball Academy  
Harmony Hills ES  
Hayfield Secondary School  
Helping Hands and Caring Hearts  
Henry E. Lackey High School  
High Point HS  
Highland View Elementary School  
Highland Park Elementary School  
Hopewell High School  
Horizon Day Camp- Metro DC  
Hyattsville Elementary School  
Hyattsville Middle School  
Ida B. Wells Middle School  
IDEA Public Charter School  
Imagine an Athlete  
Imagine Lincoln Public Charter School  
Impact Silver Spring  
Inner City Excellence (DC-ICE)  
International High School at Langley Park





# PROGRAMS SERVED IN 2023

International High School at Largo  
International Sports Organization  
J.P. Taravella High School Boys Lacrosse  
Jackson Road Elementary School  
Jackson-Reed High School  
James E. Duckworth Regional School  
James H. Harrison Elementary School  
Jeff Wagner  
JoAnn Leleck ES at Broad Acres  
Joe Gerbasi  
John Bayne Elementary School  
John F. Kennedy High School  
John T. Baker MS  
Judge Sylvania Woods Elementary  
KAJE CA LTS Inc.  
Kelly Miller Middle School  
Kemp Mill Elementary School  
Kentland Columbia Park Boys and Girls Club  
KKB Sports  
Lamont Elementary School  
Laurel Elementary School  
Laurel High School  
Laurel Little League  
Lauro Discaino Softball Sports League  
Liberty HS - Bedford  
Little Lights Urban Ministries  
Luke C Moore Senior Alternative High School  
Madison Hockey League  
Maine Amateur Hockey Association  
Maryland Bombers Youth Football and Mentoring Program  
Mattaponi Springs Youth Development  
MCPS Wellness Trainers  
MCPS-Brook Grove Elementary  
Meadow Hall Elementary School  
Mel's Rink  
Meridian Public Charter School  
Metro Hurricanes  
Metro Transit Police Department - Community Service Bureau  
Metropolitan Police Department  
Metropolitan Tennis/Education Group  
Middletown Elementary School  
Montgomery Blair HS  
Montgomery County Public Schools- PE Curriculum Office  
Montgomery County Recreation  
Montgomery Youth Hockey Association  
Motherwell Sports Academy

Moving Forward Tennis  
Mt. Rainier Elementary School  
N.E. Check Boyz  
National Academy Foundation  
National Christian Academy  
New Hampshire Estates Elementary School  
New York Recreation  
Newbreed Sports  
Nicholas Orem Middle School  
Nigerian International Athletes Association - NIAA  
Niki Mock Community Helps  
North Forestville Elementary School  
Northwestern High School  
Northwood Baseball League, Inc.  
Northwood High School  
NOVA Bulls Organization  
Oak View Elementary School  
Odessa Shannon Middle School  
One Nation Soccer Academy  
Open Door Sports Inc.  
Operation Encouragement  
Oxon Hill Elementary School  
Oxon Hill High School  
Paint Branch Elementary School  
Paint Branch High School  
Parkdale High School  
Patrick Henry K-8 School  
Pediatric Golf Therapy  
Play Ball Academy  
Portsmouth Community Watch Foundation, Inc  
Potomac High School  
Powell Elementary School  
Prince George's County Public Schools  
Princeton Elementary School  
Providing Resources Abroad for Youth (P.R.A.Y.)  
International Ministries, Inc.  
Puerto Rico Baseball



# PROGRAMS SERVED IN 2023

## PUSH

Reunion Sportive d'Haiti, Inc.  
Ridgecrest Elementary School  
Rise Up Soccer Club  
Riverdale Elementary  
Robert R. Gray Elementary School  
Rock Creek Valley ES  
Rockville Baseball Association  
Rocky Hill Middle School  
Rogers Heights Elementary School  
Rolling Terrace Elementary School  
Rosemary Hills Elementary School  
Rosemary Hills Elementary School PTA  
Rosemary Hills Lacrosse  
Royal Sports and Arts  
Royalty Institute of Leadership and Innovation  
Samuel P. Massie Academy  
San Miguel School  
Sargent Shriver Elementary School  
SciTech2U Inc  
Secret Society Panthers  
SEED Public Charter School  
Sela Public Charter School  
Seneca Valley High School  
Skating Salamanders  
Skipps Sports  
So Kids SOAR  
So What Else  
Soccer for the Future  
Sojourner Truth Public Charter School  
South Bowie Boys and Girls Club  
South Lake Elementary School  
Southside Area Tennis Association  
Special Olympics District of Columbia  
Springbrook HS  
St. Anthony Catholic School  
St. Frances Academy  
St. Mary's Ryken High School Girls Hockey  
Stedwick Elementary Physical Education  
Stride Camp Inc.  
Suitland High School  
Surrattsville High School  
Takoma Youth Sports Scholarship Fund  
Tenacious  
The Chelsea School  
The Foundation Schools  
The Gap Mission  
The HSC Pediatric Center's Kids in Action Program  
The Nyuma Harrison Foundation  
The Rock Terrace School



Thurgood Marshall Middle School  
Top of Virginia Hockey Alliance  
Triumphant Leaders Youth Mentoring Program  
True Family Football League Inc  
Tubman Elementary school  
Twinbrook ES  
U.N.I.T.Y. Youth Development  
U.S. Elite International Track & Field  
United Heroes League  
Unknown Talent  
Va. Beach Tennis Patrons Association  
Virginia Partnership for Out-of-School Time (VPOST)  
Volo City Kids Foundation  
Walker Mill Middle School  
Ward 7 Blue Bulls Youth Organization  
Ward 8 Buccaneers  
Ward Eight Little League  
Warriors Football Team  
Washington Capitals  
Washington Girls Softball Team  
Washington Grove Elementary School  
Washington Ice Dogs  
Washington Jesuit Academy  
Washington Nationals Team Up  
Weller Road Elementary School  
Wheaton Woods ES  
Whittier Elementary School  
William B Gibbs E.S.  
William Beanes Elementary School  
William Hall Academy  
William Wirt Middle School-TNI  
Winners Lacrosse  
Wolves Lacrosse Club Inc.  
Woodridge Elementary School  
Wrestling to Beat the Streets DC  
Yad Vashem Oportunidad Fundacion  
Youth Education and Sports Foundation

# SUPPORTERS



## Volunteers

**701**  
volunteers

**1,651**  
hours volunteered

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 Greater Washington was excited to work with groups such as U.S. Soccer Foundation, NFLPA, Deloitte, Accenture, MGM, and Total Wine & More – all of whom volunteered their time at our warehouse in 2023.

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.



## 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 2023 and hope to see you again soon!

**320**  
collection drives

**9**  
bin ambassadors

# SUPPORTERS

## 2023 Major Funders

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A. James & Alice B. Clark Foundation  
The Bender Foundation  
Cafritz Foundation  
The Carl M. Freeman Foundation  
Clark Construction  
Deloitte  
Enterprise Holdings Foundation  
Gatorade  
George Preston Marshall Foundation  
John Edward Fowler Memorial Foundation  
Looking Out Foundation

Luther I. Replogle Foundation  
Maryland State Youth Soccer Association  
Montgomery County Recreation  
Prince George's County Government  
Risa Fund  
The St. James  
Target  
Trawick Foundation  
Washington Capitals  
Washington Commanders  
Washington Spirit

## 2023 Major In-Kind Donors

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1-800-Got-Junk  
Arlington Soccer Association  
Bender JCC of Greater Washington  
Casual Adventure Outfitters  
Costello's ACE Hardware  
John R. Lewis High School  
League Outfitters  
Medstar Capitals Iceplex  
Movement Rockville  
Northern Virginia Senior Softball (NVSS)  
Our Lady of Mercy  
Pinkman Academy  
Reston Skatequest  
Temple Sinai  
The Gardens Ice House  
The Holton-Arms School  
Town of Chevy Chase  
University of Maryland Athletic Department  
Vienna Youth Soccer  
Walter Johnson High School  
Washington Spirit  
Washington Wizards



## Greater Washington Advisory Board

Maya Puppione  
*George Mason Women's Soccer*

Jeff Wagner  
*Wagner Kaulius*

Bobby Puppione  
*The St. James / FC Virginia*

Nekkita Beans  
*Far Southeast Family Strengthening Collaborative*

Carl Ehrlich  
*Flagstar Football*

Olivia Harpel  
*Accenture*

### REVENUE

Corporate Contributions	\$130,049.08
Foundation Contributions	\$265,927.50
Individual Contributions	\$27,440.87
Government Contributions	\$62,787.00
Earned Income	\$32,785.85
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$518,990.30</b>

### EXPENSES

Personnel	\$168,836.65
Facilities & Equipment	\$64,475.32
Program Supplies	\$30,948.65
Travel and Meetings	\$5,007.64
Miscellaneous	\$10,302.75
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$276,571.01</b>

<b>Net Revenue</b>	<b>\$242,419.29</b>
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