

# LPF | LEVELING THE PLAYING FIELD



2023 Annual Report  
GREATER PHILADELPHIA

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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 Danielle Miller, LPF Philadelphia 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.



## Meet 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.

# 2023 BY THE NUMBERS

**\$1,147,609**

worth of sports equipment collected

**\$946,590**

worth of sports equipment distributed

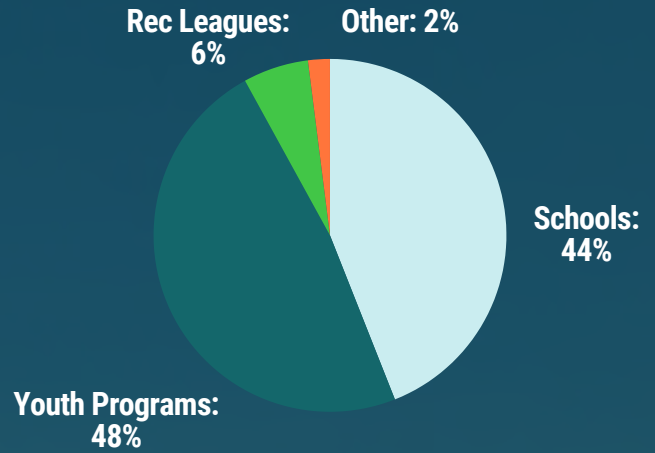
**262**

total programs impacted

**154**

new programs reached

## Programs Served



# 2023 IMPACT

Hear what our beneficiaries have to say after receiving free sports equipment from our warehouse:

**99%**

report increased participation

**98%**

report an ability to reallocate funds

**63%**

report an ability to introduce a new sport to kids



"Everything about LPF's process was simple and played a huge part in us being able to get our youth program going. Involving students in extracurricular activities provides a safe environment outside of school and increased attendance in school. All of our youth teams now have enough equipment so that no team has to share with another."

*-Lebanon Youth Softball*

"The donation from LPF has impacted our students greatly. With the gear we can now have intense training and practices. It also gives us a chance to teach new students because we have more equipment to use. One of our students now has running sneakers they couldn't afford. She ran in the women's Colgate games and advanced to the semi-finals."

*-Mott Hall Charter School*

# DISTRIBUTION HIGHLIGHTS

## FOOTBALL DAY

*Special thanks to the Eagles:*



LPF Philadelphia hosted its first-ever Football Distribution Day in August 2023. Thanks to the generous donation of gear from the Philadelphia Eagles, we provided \$36,786.50 worth of football gear to coaches at 11 local schools.

**\$36,786**

worth of football gear

**11**

local schools



## COMMUNITY SCHOOL COORDINATOR DAY

LPF Philadelphia hosted Community School Coordinator (CSC) day in February 2023. As the social workers embedded in Philadelphia City public schools, CSCs are regularly tasked with finding basic resources for their students.

Thanks to the generosity of Under Armour, LPF was able to provide new Under Armour apparel, backpacks, sports bras, socks, and other general supplies for CSCs to start their school year in the best way possible.

**\$33,973**

worth of equipment

**16**

local schools



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# PROGRAMS SERVED IN 2023



302 Sharks Youth Sports  
 4Troy Foundation/Woodbridge Warriors  
 Abraham Lincoln High School  
 Academy at Palumbo  
 Academy Park High School  
 Add B. Anderson School  
 Alain Locke School  
 Aldan Youth Club  
 Alexander K. McClure Elementary School  
 Alexis I DuPont High School  
 Allen M Stearne School  
 AMANDLA, Inc (Safe-Hub Philadelphia)  
 American Legion Playground  
 AmeriCorps Playworks  
 Amy 5 at James Martin  
 Appoquinmink High school  
 Arts Academy at Benjamin Rush  
 ASPIRA Inc of PA  
 B.L.F.C. Academy, Inc.  
 Bakerhoops Incorporated  
 Belfield Recreation Center  
 Ben Franklin High School - Philadelphia  
 Berks County Nightmare  
 Blankenburg Elementary School  
 Bodine High School for International Affairs  
 Bristol Borough Recreation  
 Bucks County Bulldogs  
 Burlington City High School  
 Caesar Rodney High School Football  
 Camden Center for Youth Development  
 Camden Centerville Simbas  
 Camden High School  
 Carson Valley Childrens Aid -Campus Site  
 Carver High School of Engineering & Science  
 Castor Gardens Middle School  
 Centerville Youth Athletic Association

Change Up Sports  
 Chester Middle School Sports  
 Chester Upland Youth Soccer and Youth Development  
 United  
 CHOP's Center for Health Equity May Community Health  
 Partnership Clinic  
 Christiana High School Football  
 Christy Recreation Center  
 Cls Mustangs  
 Collingdale Athletic Club  
 Community Council Learning Academy (CC Health  
 Systems)  
 Conestoga Playground  
 Constitution High School  
 Conwell Middle School  
 Cook-Wissahickon School  
 Cramp Elementary  
 CYA Gators  
 Darby Township School  
 Delcroft School  
 Digital Harbor High School  
 Dobbins CTE  
 Dorothy Emanuel Recreation Center  
 Dr. Henry H. Davis Family School  
 Drexel Neumann Academy  
 East Orange Soccer Academy  
 East Passyunk Recreation Center  
 East Poplar Playground  
 Ed Snider Youth Hockey Foundation  
 Elkton High School  
 Epiphany Fellowship  
 Erik Williams Foundation  
 ESF Dream Camp Foundation  
 Esperanza Academy Charter School  
 Fab Youth Philly  
 FE Willard Junior Coach Program  
 Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) - Philadelphia  
 Feltonville School of Arts and Science  
 First Tee - Delaware  
 Foe Titans  
 Frankford High School  
 Freedom Prep Charter School  
 FS Edmonds Elementary School  
 G W Childs  
 GAMP School  
 Gc Hawks  
 GearUp4Kidz  
 George McCall Elementary  
 George Sharswood School  
 George W Nebinger School (Soccer Team)  
 George Washington High School (Community School)  
 Girard Elementary  
 Give & Go Athletics

# PROGRAMS SERVED IN 2023

Glenolden Youth Club  
Greenberg Elementary  
Grover Washington, Jr. Middle School  
GTYFA  
Hamilton Disston School  
Hammerheads Sled Hockey Association, Inc.  
Harlem Lacrosse - Thomas K. Finletter  
Harris School  
High School of the Future  
Hon. Luis Muñoz Marín School  
Independence Charter School West  
InvisionU Inc./New Beginnings Performing Arts Studio  
Ivy Hill Youth Association  
James Logan Elementary School  
John Bartram High School  
John Webster Elementary School  
Joseph Pennell Elementary School  
Joseph W. Catharine Elementary  
Julia Ward Howe Elementary School  
Kensington Football  
Kensington Health Sciences Academy  
Kipp DuBois Collegiate Academy  
Kuumba Academy Charter School  
Kuvuna Foundation  
Lake Erie Sports Alliance  
Lawncrest Lions 14U Football Team  
LBFFA Pink Dynamite  
LEAP Academy University Charter School  
LEAP Social Enterprise STEAM + E  
Lebanon Youth Softball  
Leesa Athletics  
Lewis C Cassidy  
Lewis Elkin  
Liberty Bell Youth Organization  
Lindley Academy Charter School  
Making A Change Group  
Malvern Prep  
Mariana Bracetti Academy  
Martin Luther King High School  
Mastbaum High School  
Mastery - Frederick Douglass Upper  
Mastery - High School of Camden  
Mastery - Lenfest Campus  
Mastery - Molina Upper  
Mastery Charter - Harrity Elementary  
Mastery Charter Mann Elementary  
Mastery Charter Pastorius-Richardson  
Mastery Charter Schools - Hardy Williams  
Mastery Pickett Campus  
Mastery - Cramer Hill  
Mayfair School  
Mid-City Youth Athletic Association, Inc.  
Middle Years Alternative School (SDP)



Miles Mack Recreation Center  
Morris Estate Recreation Center  
Mott Hall Charter School  
Mullaney Tennis Foundation  
Murphy Recreation Center  
Neumann-Goretti HS  
New Dorp High School  
NFL Flag Philly  
Nicetown Titans  
Noel Soccer Foundation  
NoMo Inc.  
North Camden Legends / Eastside Predators  
North Philly Blackhawks 6U  
Northeast Bradford School District  
Northeast High School - Philadelphia  
Northwest Raiders Athletic Association  
Olney Elementary School  
Ossining JCYS Little League Baseball & Softball  
Out of Their Shadow  
Overbrook Educational Center  
Overbrook High School  
Overbrook Youth Sports Club - West Philly Eagles  
Overlook Colony Civic Association  
PA Elite Athletes  
Parkside Evans Recreation Center  
Parkway West High School  
Paul L. Dunbar School  
Penn Treaty School  
Penrose Elementary School  
Penrose Rec  
Pequea Valley  
Pequea Valley Youth Baseball  
Pequea Valley Youth Football Association  
Pequeno Freddy Foundation  
Phantoms Charities  
Philadelphia Blind Hockey  
Philadelphia Community Empowerment Through Soccer dba Kensington Soccer Club

# PROGRAMS SERVED IN 2023

Philadelphia Eagles  
Philadelphia Freeze  
Philadelphia Parks and Recreation // Tustin Playground  
Philadelphia School District of Phila. - Sturgis Football  
Philadelphia Youth Football Academy  
Philadelphia Youth Sports Collaborative  
Philly en Hielo, INC  
PHYSED Inc. Personal Health Youth Sports Education & Development  
Playworks - Chester Community Charter School  
Playworks - Comegys Elementary  
Playworks - Gloria Casarez Elementary  
Playworks - Harrington School  
Playworks - James Rhoads School  
Playworks - Morton McMichael  
Playworks - Nebinger  
Playworks - Spruance Gilbert  
Playworks - Julia De Burgos Elementary  
Playworks - Education Energized  
Playworks - Pennsylvania  
Police Athletic League of Philadelphia  
Project Primacy Foundation  
Resident action committee II  
Rhawnhurst Elementary School  
Richard R. Wright School - Philadelphia  
Roosevelt Elementary School  
Royal Family Fitness  
Salone FC  
Samuel Fels High School  
Samuel Gompers Elementary  
Samuel Pennypacker School  
Sankofa Freedom Academy  
Saul High School  
Scanlon Recreation Center  
Sharon Hill Ramblers  
Sharon Hill School  
Shissler Recreation Center  
Shot Tower Playground Department of Parks and Recreation  
Simpson Recreation Center  
Sing Sing Youth Lacrosse Club  
Smith Memorial Playground Summer Camp  
South Philadelphia High School  
South Philadelphia Hurricanes  
South Philly Sigma Sharks  
Southeast Youth Athletic Association  
Southwark School  
Sow Good Now  
Special Olympics PA Philadelphia  
Squash Smarts  
St. Cyril / Philamenia School  
Staley Park Panthers Youth Football Organization  
Strawberry Mansion Faith Based Coalition

Tacony Academy Charter High School  
Tacony Academy Charter Middle School  
Taggart Elementary School  
Team Up Philly  
The Block Gives Back  
The Boxing Temple  
The Gap Mission  
The Goldenberg Group/People Helping People Foundation  
The Neighborhood Center  
The Philadelphia Charter School of Arts & Sciences  
Thomas A. Edison High School  
Tilden Middle School  
Today's Child Learning Centers/Warwick Child Care  
Tustin Playground  
Upland Hurricanes Youth Football  
Urban Sports Rescue  
Vaux Big Picture High School  
Veterans Memorial Family School  
W.C. Longstreth School  
WarDogs Athletic Association  
West Deptford Youth Football  
West Mill Creek Rec Center  
West Philadelphia High School  
West Philadelphia Panthers  
Willingboro Recreation  
Wings of Steel Sled Hockey Program  
Wolves Youth Athletic Association  
Young Quakers Community Athletics - University of Pennsylvania  
Youth Mentoring Partnership/Mastery Lacrosse  
Ziegler Elementary





# SUPPORTERS



## Volunteers

**628**

volunteers

**1,272**

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 Philadelphia was excited to work with groups such as Boeing, Inverness Graham, Playfly Sports, Comcast, Burlington Inc., and many many more – all of whom volunteered their time at our warehouse in 2023.

We simply 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.

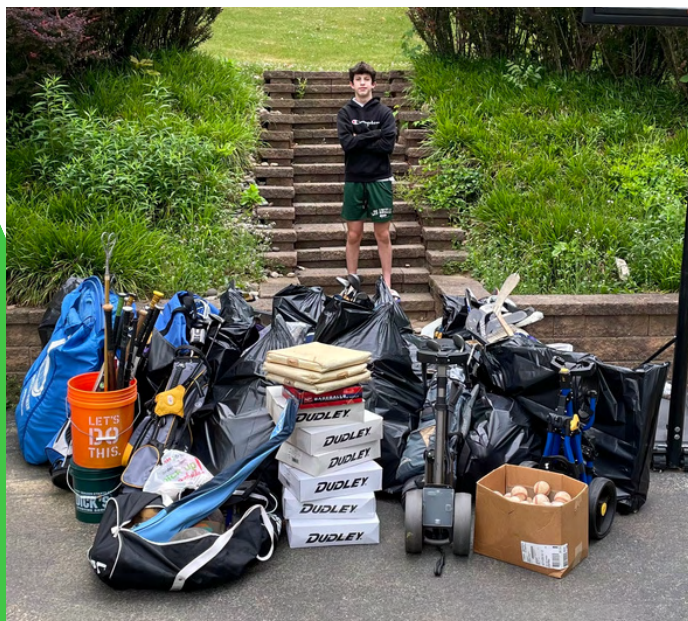
We want to thank everyone who collected gear for us in 2023 and hope to see you again soon!

**120**

collection drives

**7**

bin ambassadors



# LPF PHILADELPHIA PARTNERS

## 2023 Funders

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**Henrietta Tower Wurts  
Memorial Fund**

**Henry E. Niles Foundation**



## 2023 Major In-Kind Donors

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Bryn Mawr Running Company  
HERSPORT  
Kids with Dreams Foundation  
Lower Merion Soccer Club

Mercer  
Ocean City Beach Soccer  
Philadelphia Eagles  
Philly Freedoms

Sharon Hill Police Department  
Sports Unlimited  
Team Sports Planet  
Willingboro Recreation

### REVENUE

Corporate Contributions	\$12,120.00
Foundation Contributions	\$165,192.20
Individual Contributions	\$67,594.57
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$244,906.77</b>

### EXPENSES

Personnel	\$147,095.81
Facilities & Equipment	\$66,890.95
Program Supplies	\$2,389.89
Travel and Meetings	\$17,560.27
Miscellaneous	\$23.30
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$233,960.22</b>

<b>Net Revenue</b>	<b>\$10,946.55</b>
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