

23 Years

Of Providing

Adaptive Recreation

2020 ANNUAL REPORT



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About Us

AbilityPLUS serves a diverse population of individuals, from people with severe physical disabilities to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Founded in 1997 by a group of volunteers inspired by the awesome achievements of participants with physical or developmental disabilities.

AbilityPLUS has provided thousands of adaptive sports lessons giving participants the joy of inclusion in mainstream recreational activities.



Serving Our Community



Although this past year was cut short due to the Covid 19 Pandemic, AbilityPLUS was able to pursue its mission.

Over the course of the past year, 117 individuals participated in outdoor recreation programming in skiing, hiking, canoeing and cycling with the help from 59 volunteers

117 participants
59 volunteers
455 program lessons

2019-2020 Volunteers

- William Anderson
- Rachel Anderson
- Claire Armstrong
- Mike Armstrong
- Alaine Breen
- Robin Clark
- Kieran Corbett
- Diane Covino
- Michael Covino
- Liz Craveiro
- Bruce Curtis-McLane
- Kevin Donohoe
- Maureen Enos
- Grant Erickson
- Jon Erickson
- Kristin Erickson
- Dick Farrell
- Moriah Freitag
- Sarah Freitag
- Samantha Glasshart
- Adrian Hall
- Dylan Heinricher
- Elizabeth Horne
- Kate Johnson
- John Keator
- Cheryl Keator
- Angela Lanzillo
- Edward Leary
- Bob Levin
- Paul McClintock
- Ryan McClintock
- Mike McIlrath
- Duncan McNeil
- Susan McNeil
- Glen Nile
- Audrey Orsino
- Joe Orsino
- Katelin Oyler
- Mik Oyler
- Paul Pacenka
- Johanna Pastoriza
- Lynette Pierce
- Richard Pierce
- Kadie Pink
- Kris Puzas
- David Quigley
- Ken Quigley
- Sally Quigley
- Thomas Ravenelle
- Betsy Roguet
- Margot Roguet
- Rachel Ryan
- Paul Schuepp
- Mark Shepherd
- Dianalyn Sirota
- John Smallcomb
- Tim Sorgi
- Richard Staples
- Lee Sutherland
- Hannah Thatcher
- Rick Ullrich
- Sydney Urko
- Liz Wehmeyer
- Pat Wood-Higgins

Joe Heinricher Award

The **Joe Heinricher Award** is given at the end of each season to the volunteer who stands out as embodying the spirit of Joe Heinricher.

Joe left us too soon and embodied everything that AbilityPLUS stands for and strives to achieve:

- *Selflessness in service*
- *The belief that all achievements are to be celebrated*
- *The belief that all participants can achieve beyond their perceived capabilities*
- *The belief that everyone should and can be included*
- *The belief that everyone brings value*

Award Winners

2020 – Richard Ullrich

2019 – William Anderson

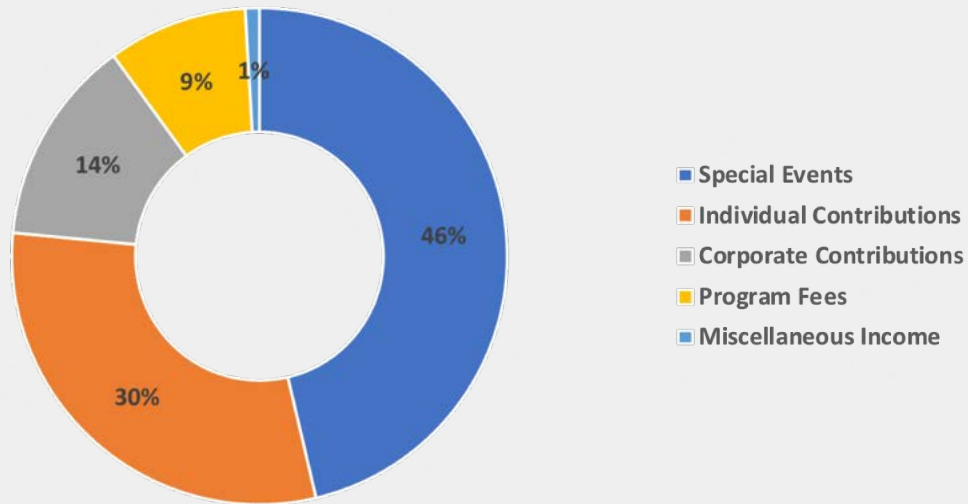
2018 – Richard Pierce



Financials

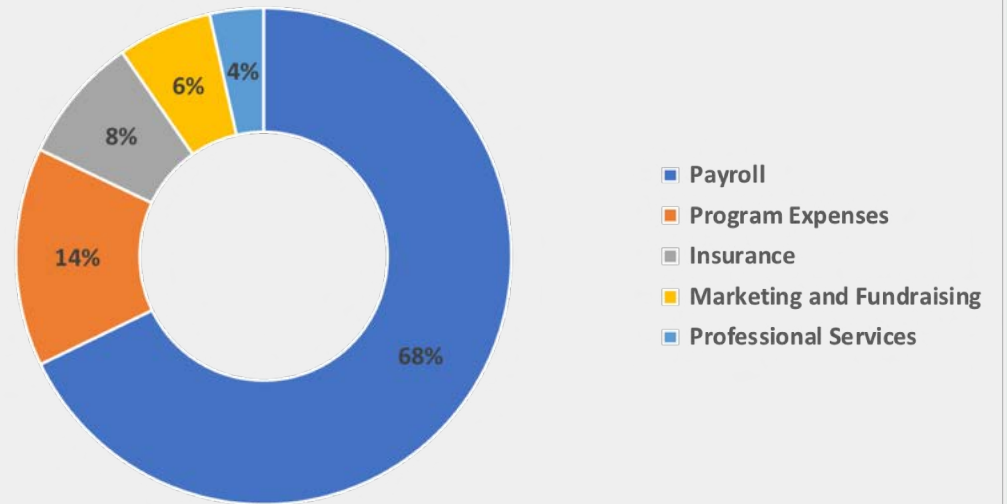


Income



***Last year we raised
\$93,650.95!***

Expenses



***Last year we invested
\$99,929.74!***



Our Top FUN-draisers!

+\$5000

Mike & Diane Covino

\$2000-\$5000

Ken Quigley

\$1000-\$2000

Emma McNeil

Mik & Katelin Oyler

Richard Pierce

Tim Sorgi

\$500-\$1000

Elizabeth Horne

Cindy Quigley

Liz Craveiro

Betsy Roquet

Team Mano

Lee Sutherland



Our FUN-draisers enthusiastically raised monies for our annual Ski-A-Thon!

We Give Thanks to Our Donors!

+\$5000

Shepherd
Kathleen McKechnie
White Mountain Jeep
Invasion

\$1000-\$5000

Kenneth L. Abrahms –
Altimira Fund
Anonymous
Red Sox Foundation

\$500 - \$1000

Mike & Diane Covino
Charles Dishmon
Lynette Pierce
Tim Sorgi

\$200-\$500

Theodore & Jane Bond –
Shepherd Financial Partners
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Rosenbloom Fund
Alaine Breen
Eastern Interclub Ski
League
John Griffin
Pat & John Higgins

Stuart Koman

Sheila McCarthy
Wildcat Mountain Ski Area

<\$200

Michael & Angela Cronin
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Helene Lane
Mik & Katelin Oyler
Sue Padden
Stephen & Marlene Piccone
Rick Pierce
Kathleen Quinlan
Penny Quinlan
Rodman Ford Sales,
Foxboro, MA
Robert & Nancy Sorgi
Steven & Cheryl St.Pierre
Margaret Thornton
Jeffrey & Sandra Webb



Thank You to Our Sponsors

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Attitash Mountain Ski Area

Attitash Mountain Village

Attitash Ski School

Autumn Nomad

Barley & Salt

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Center

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Inc

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Conway Scenic Railroad

Cranmore Mountain Resort

Debony Salon

Eagle Brook Saloon

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Great Basin Coffee
Company

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International Mountain
Equipment

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Company

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Wildcat Mountain Ski Area

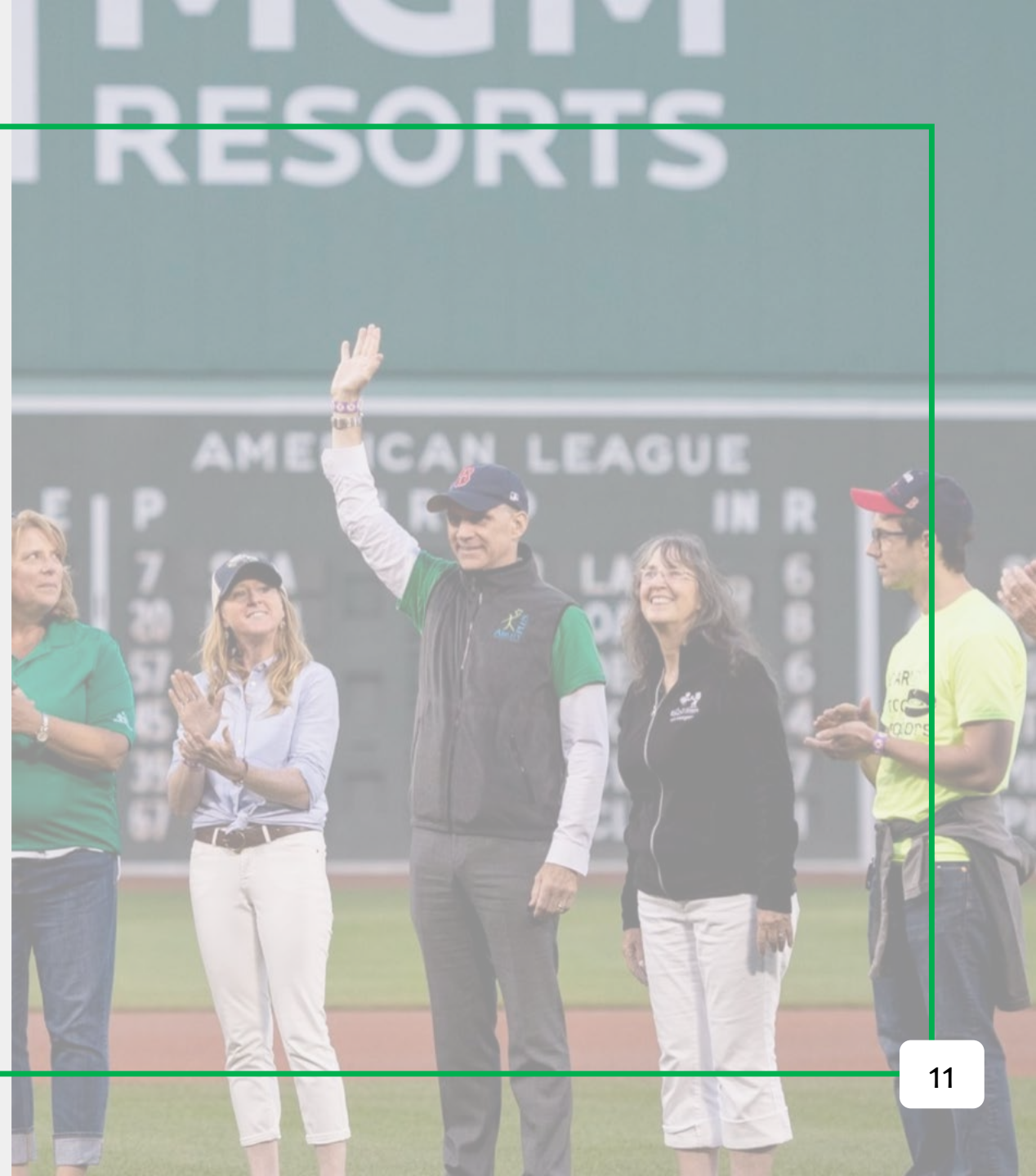
Wildcat Inn & Tavern

Yesterday's Restaurant

Zeb's General Store



Corporate Donors



Chairman's Note



We at Ability**PLUS** are hoping that this message finds you safe, healthy, and well. This year has been quite a challenge for all of us. The challenges of a pandemic of this magnitude are beyond the scope of anything that we could ever have imagined. That said, it is with great honor that I write this letter. We are grateful for each relationship that we have cultivated through our mission. Our program participants and volunteers are the sole purpose of our mission. And the kind and generous donors are who create the ability to financially fulfill our mission. Each and every one of you is meaningful to us at Ability**PLUS**.

This year had so many incredible memories. The number of lessons that we were able to provide and the afterschool programs that created impacts that we could only have dreamed of. These collaborations are so meaningful to us.

The relationship with the management at Attitash, Wildcat, ESSC, SAU9, and Cranmore make it possible to serve our mission. This collaboration is a critical part of our success in providing our programs. Thank you for this wonderful collaboration.

The number of lessons that we provided had been on track to surpass our goals. The early shut down due to COVID-19 prevented us from accomplishing this goal. We also found it necessary to layoff staff with the declaration of the pandemic. This has proven critical to preserving our financial resources to serve our adaptive programming in the future. Each of our students is the driving purpose to what we do.

We are in regular contact with the respective mountain management to determine how we can serve our students this season. We are hopeful that we will be able to provide a robust program schedule this winter. We are foremost thinking of the safety of our students, volunteers and their families.

We are grateful that we have preserved resources to serve our students when we are safely allowed to do so. We are deeply committed to serving our mission, and we are hopeful to see each and everyone of you this season.

Be well, and we love all of you.

