

**2022**

# **IMPACT REPORT**

NORTHWEST   
**SARCOMA**  
FOUNDATION  
HOPE • EDUCATION • SUPPORT



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# **INTRODUCTION**

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**Our Mission:** To provide hope, education, and support to anyone affected by Sarcoma in the Pacific Northwest while investing in research to improve cure rates for Sarcomas.

The Northwest Sarcoma Foundation seeks to ensure that everyone who faces Sarcoma in the Pacific Northwest has a care team behind them. Our resource and outreach programs reflect our values:

- **Compassion** — Building a supportive and understanding Sarcoma community while providing comfort through our programs.
- **Advocacy** — Promote Sarcoma awareness to support early diagnosis.
- **Responsibility** — Funding regional and national Sarcoma research to drive advancements towards a cure.
- **Education** — Connecting anyone affected by Sarcoma with accurate and reliable resources.

Through prevention education, survivorship, and treatment research, we are fighting to end the devastating impact Sarcoma has on our lives.

We design and enact our programs with this mission and values in mind. We believe reporting accurately where the foundation currently stands and goals for the future are important in communicating to donors the foundation's commitment to contributing to the Sarcoma community through transparency and responsibility to take sustainable actions and measuring progress over time.

# MESSAGE FROM OUR LEADER

The last few years have been challenging for all of us, including the NW Sarcoma Foundation. Met with a pandemic that is unprecedented in our lifetime, we were forced to “move” online as a society and an organization. We focused our efforts on ways we could continue to engender a sense of community amongst those who were impacted by a Sarcoma in a time when it was needed most, and to continue to live out our mission. It was hard!

With that said, I’m proud with the actions we took. We took the opportunity to look inward, we cut all unnecessary expenses and doubled down on the programs and activities that were most impactful for our constituents. Even during these times of economic hardship, we reached into our reserves to continue to provide our HELP\$ grants because we knew it was the right thing to do. We also explored new virtual events with varying success, but all with the right idea in mind...to continue to live out our mission of ensuring **no one faces Sarcoma alone**. Over the pandemic we crossed a milestone we are incredibly proud of, we’ve now given more than \$1,000,000 towards our HELP\$ grant program! The challenge we are facing now is that, like many other non-profit organizations, we’ve seen a slow but steady drop-off in giving as the pandemic waned on. We are at a cross-roads. In order to continue to live out our mission we need to get back on track with our fundraising efforts.

**"...our focus for 2023 is Reconnecting."**

We have begun shifting back to in-person events and are focused on reconnecting, and in some cases, re-establishing the relationships that helped make us so successful in the past. We believe the only way to get back to our “pre-pandemic” position is to push to deepen the relationships that got us here while forging new ones to help carry us forward. This is why our focus for 2023 is Reconnecting.



Ian Walsh  
President, Board of Directors



# 2022 IN NUMBERS



69 volunteers  
1,667 hours

\*Record Number\*

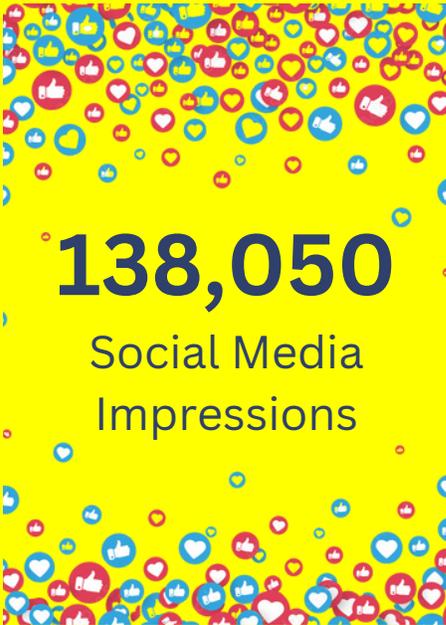
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HELP\$ Patient Grants

Surpassed

\$1,000,000

in patient grant support



138,050

Social Media  
Impressions



45

casual chat  
group  
attendees

Dragonlayer Walk



Seattle	328
Portland	146
Spokane	25
Boise	60

Registrants



Gala 95

Cook-off & Cookies 24



Halloween Bingo 13

Sarcoma Journal Club

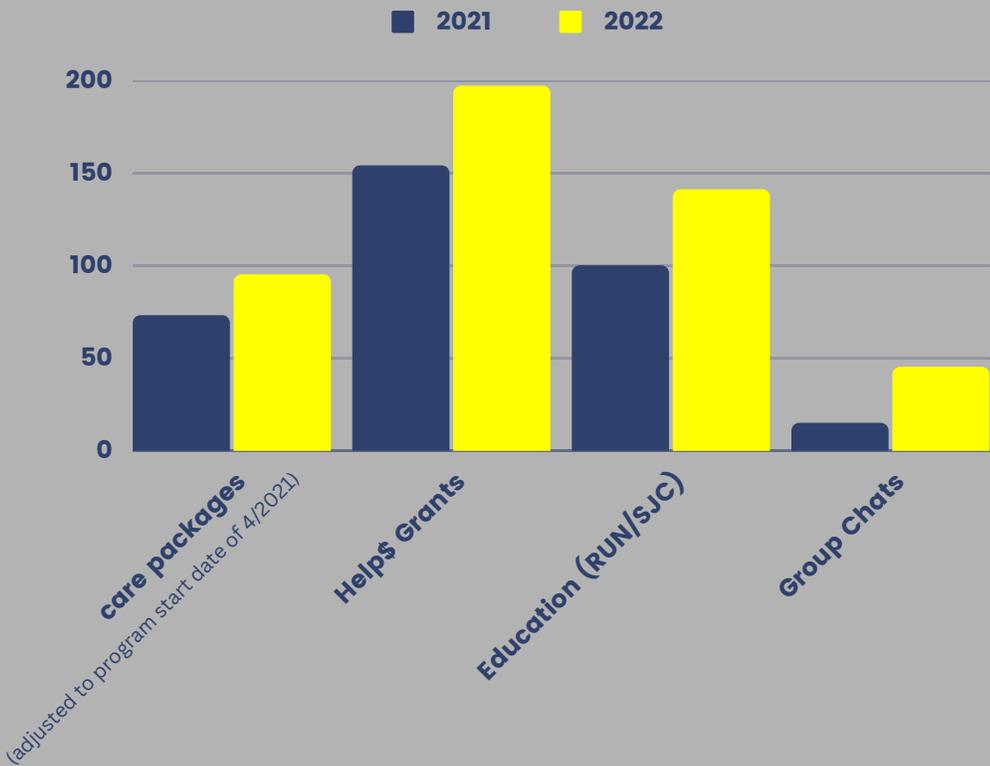
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Registrants

# MORE NUMBERS . . .

## Current STATE OF THE FOUNDATION

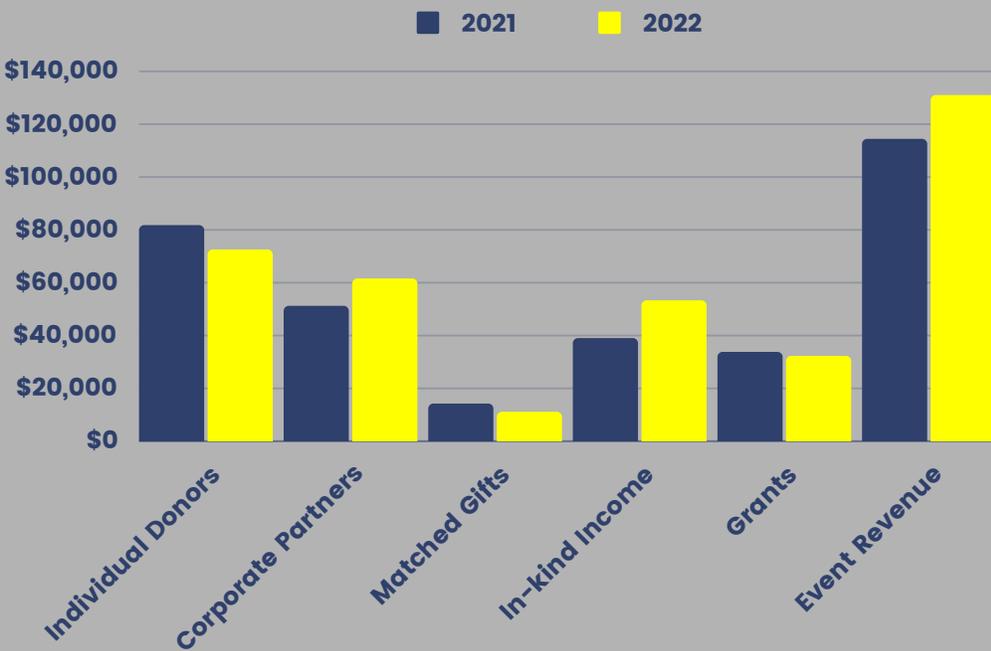
Demand for our programming increased far greater than revenue increased.



**8.19%**  
Increase in Revenue

**39.8%**  
Increase in programs' participation

**23.5%**  
Increase in expenses driven by program related spending



**Reserves**  
Through careful fiscal planning, the NWSF leadership saved for a rough patch such as the pandemic we have experienced. We were able to draw from our reserves in order to sustain all programs and staffing levels.

# WHAT'S TO COME IN 2023

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Where do we go from here? The foundation is dedicated to continuing to support the Sarcoma community in a sustainable way. In the year to come, we will continue to provide our current programming, while seeking out funding opportunities to make sure they exist for years to come. Our developmental focus this year will be to make connections with individual donors. We want to ensure that every supporter feels that their money is being used to ensure **No One Faces Sarcoma Alone**.

## 01

### Hope

Bring back pre-COVID programs - Dragonslayer Days and Community Fun Events.

## 02

### Education

Find new researchers to present the latest at RUN. Continue to provide physician and researcher networking opportunities at SJC. Attend Sarcoma conferences .

## 03

### Support

Reconnecting with donors. Continue our established programs to support the Sarcoma community.



# CONCLUSION

The increased demand in our mission-focused programming reflects the needs of the Sarcoma community. We are dedicating our focus on sustainability through relationship building in the upcoming year.



## Mission Focused Programs

- **Prioritize patient & family needs**
- **Evaluate programs to ensure focus**
- **Seek community feedback**



## Connection

- **Continue support for patients & families**
- **Reconnect with past donors**
- **Attend/Facilitate networking opportunities**



## Sustainability

- **Develop individual donor base**
- **Curate corporate partnerships**
- **Seek grant opportunities**
- **Maintain financial reserves**

Thousands of people are diagnosed each year with Sarcoma. The Northwest Sarcoma Foundation seeks to ensure that everyone who faces Sarcoma in the Pacific Northwest has a care team behind them.

# ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Warrior Corporate Partner - \$10,000

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**Fred Hutch**  
Cancer Center



**SWEDISH**

Gladiator Corporate Partner - \$7,500

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**Aadi Bioscience**

**Epizyme**

Knight Corporate Partner - \$5,000

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**LifeNet Health**

**Novartis**

**Inhibrx**

**Rain Therapeutics**

**Seattle Children's Hospital**

**We thank you for your continued support in our efforts to support the Sarcoma community.**

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