

**Battlefords** 

2023 ANNUAL REPORT







Nicole Combres Executive Director



Darcy Woolfitt
President

## **Opportunity Changes Everything**

Amid global economic and employee recruitment/retention challenges, the 2023 operating year further demonstrated resiliency and growth for BGC Battlefords. With a strong focus on the goals and vision set out by the final year of our Stronger Together Strategic Plan, we knew the direction we were going and achieved all-time highs for our organization.

Exceeding pre-pandemic attendance, the number of children and youth attending Club programs was higher than ever before. While the number of overall BGC participants rose 26% since 2022, so did the number of members who received direct program service delivery (15% increase). Through over 33,000 Club visits, 765 unique members received over 49,000 snacks and meals. The 41% increase in visits and 44% increase in nutrition provided resulted in significant operational costs. In order to offer programs and services over 290 days at eight different locations throughout the year, our team of 62 employees demonstrated Unbelievable Impact. The continuation of our learning and impact journey reinforced the impact being made and proved that because of our Club, children and youth are more physically active, more comfortable being themselves, more confident in their futures, more excited to try new things, better prepared to do their schoolwork, more confident in their abilities, and more comfortable leading. This truly is Unbelievable Impact!

With 72% of our employees being of diverse backgrounds and 12 employees being past program participants, our membership was reflected in those we employed. Although globally a staffing crisis was experienced, we proudly recognized 11 employees for their one year of service to BGC Battlefords along with one employee who celebrated three years of service (Alyssa Rowley), and two employees for five years of service- Director of Programs, Marnie L'Heureux; and Program Manager, Kailee Craig. It is because of our dedicated and compassionate staffing team that we are able to make life-changing impacts on those we serve.

With significant increases in personnel and nutrition costs, along with declining revenues because of the struggling economy, we continued to rely heavily on our fundraising efforts. Our partnership with the Discovery Co-op kicked off our first annual fundraiser of the year in February and highlighted the importance of Pink Shirt Day. The FFUN Dodge Race for Kids was held in June and would not have been possible without the support of our Title Sponsor, FFUN Dodge, and many checkpoint and event sponsors. Our 23rd Annual Gala, A Night of Stars, brought our community together for a Hollywood-themed evening and saw over \$96,000 in revenue collected. A highlight for many who attended the event was witnessing long-time supporter, Robin Peterson, receive the 2023 Friend of the Club Award. We are incredibly grateful for Robin's support of our fundraising efforts and contributions towards our Supper Program.

Community partnerships and volunteer support were instrumental in our success in 2023. Not only to avoid duplication of services in our community, but to also rely on the expertise and knowledge of our fellow community organizations, we strived to offer programs in partnership. Programs such as 2BBoys and Girl Power would not be possible without the support of and partnership with Battlefords & Area Sexual Assault Centre. This is just one of the many partnerships we are proud to have.

Along with the dedication of seven volunteer board members, our volunteers showed up ensuring that programs were successful, and events were fun! From the instructors and coaches of our Special Programs to those who graciously donated nutrition to our Annual Suppers and weekly Supper Program, our Club and programs would not be the same without them. We were so excited to welcome a group of employees from Strathcona Resources Ltd. to our volunteer team this year!

Looking back and having witnessed the positive results of our work through our strategic plan's four pillars, it is evident that we have achieved what was set out-a Strong Club, Strong Voice, Strong Community and Strong Together.

Opportunity Changes Everything.

Sincerely,

Darcy Woolfitt, President

&

Nicole Combres, Executive Director

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## our. mission

To provide safe, supportive places where children and youth can experience new opportunities, overcome barriers, build positive relationships, and develop confidence and skills for life.

## our. VISIOn

All children and youth discover and achieve their dreams and grow up to be healthy, successful, and active participants in society.

## Our Tues





## belonging

We welcome everyone in a safe, accepting environment based on belonging and positive relationships.



### respect

We ensure that everyone —children, youth, families, volunteers, staff—is heard, valued, and treated fairly.





### encouragement and support

We encourage and support every child and youth to play, learn, and grow to achieve their dreams.



### working together

We work together with young people, families, volunteers, our communities, and government.

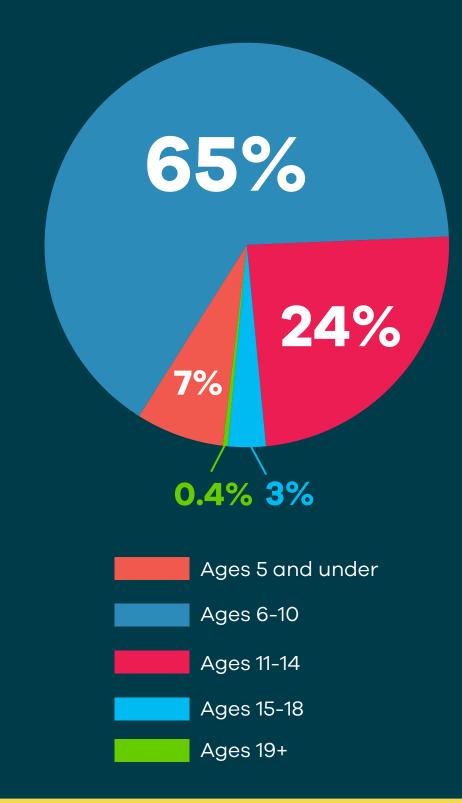


## speaking out

We speak out for children, youth, and families so that we can make our world better.



# Who Who we are



BGC Battlefords (Battlefords Boys and Girls Club Inc.) was established in 1976 to provide for the recreational, cultural, educational and social needs of all children, youth, and their families in our community.

#### Of 765 Members:

People of Colour



First Nations

Chose not to identify

41%



## What Our Club Does



homework help



stem Satellite education Before and After School



volunteering

**Programs** 

mentoring

mental health & wellness

cultural programming



youth leadership

scholarships

arts & crafts







Special Programs

Summer Parks Drop-in **Program** 

Summer

**Adventure** 

**Day Camps** 

Early Dismissal Day **Program** 



job readiness

**Innovation Federal Credit Union** Saturday Program

> health & safety



leadership skills

community involvement

Supper Programs

Cenovus **Energy Youth Program** 

nutritious snacks & meals



944

**Total participants served** 

**765** 

**Members** 

8

**Service locations** 

33,737

**Club visits** 

**62** 

**Staff members** 

7

**Board of Directors** 





15,226

**Meals served** 

34,512

**Snacks served** 



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9,362

**Main floor visits** 

541

Innovation Federal Credit Union Saturday Program Visits

1,253
Special Program visits



16,997

Satellite Site visits

2,862

Cenovus Energy Youth Program Visits

2,722
Summer Program visits

72%

Of staff are of diverse backgrounds

12

Are previous members

## **Board of Directors**



and fellow board members here at BGC Battlefords.



DARCY WOOLFITT

President



**HEATH GABRUCH**Vice President



SANDRA FAVEL REWERTS
Secretary



MOLLY PEDERSON

Treasurer



MATTHEW PRUDEN
Director



THOMAS FRANSOO Director









## **Employee** Service Recognition

In 2023 we celebrated 12 Program Staff and 2 Admin Staff for their commitment to our organization. Each of them brings unique qualities that are vital to the delivery of our programs and services. Thank you for another successful year!



## **5 Years of Service**

**Marnie L'Heureux** 



**Kailee Craig** 



## 3 Years of Service

**Alyssa Rowley** 



## 1 Year of Service



**Alex Tomanek** 



**Amy Solano** 



**Eva Sieben** 



**Grace Gentes** 



**Libbey Pooyak** 



**Maxine Lewis** 



Mikaela Puetz



**Piper Hudson** 



Sydney Fullerton Tannis Swiftwolfe





**Taylyn Bird** 

## Volunteers



## **Total of 69 volunteers in 2023**

Al White Alain Grosjean Alyssa Rowley Bernie Etcheverry **Boston Rowley Boyd Wakelin** Brenda Gardiner Brendon Kramer **Brett Rumpf** Cody Loewen Colleen Boucher Colleen Gabruch Darcy Woolfitt Diane Gabruch Dianne Lauritzen Donna Campbell Elissa Wells Gilbert L'Heureux Heath Gabruch Heather Munn Jackie Etcheverry Jackie Lheen Llosa Jaki Esquirol Jaylyn Lawrence Jeanne Gilchrist

Jenna Rumpf Jim Lafreniere Jose Pruden Julia Karp Jurnee Riglin Karen Fox Karen Patterson Karen Power Karrie Nordell Kelly Reichert Kelly Villeneuve Leon Lozowchuk Lindy Bell-Gatzke Macy Georget Marnie L'Heureux Matthew Pruden Megan Georget Melinda McLaren Melissa Jordan Mia Georget Michelle Haves Mike Silvester Molly Pederson Murray Suchan Naomi Cipriotti

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# 2023 Financial Summary

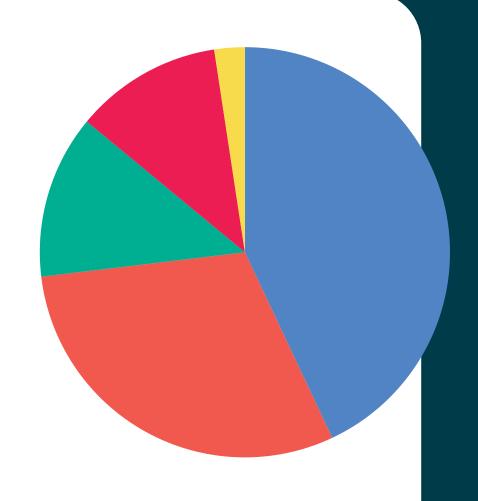


### **REVENUE**

TOTAL	\$1,015,482
Other Income	\$24,341
<ul><li>Fundraising</li><li>Gala</li><li>Race for Kids</li><li>Miscellaneous</li></ul>	\$96,864 \$29,262 \$5,143
<ul><li>Donations</li><li>Building Donations</li><li>General Donations</li></ul>	\$34,037 \$83,373
Memberships & Fees	\$305,227
Grants	\$437,235

### **EXPENSES**

TOTAL	\$1,018,054
Public Relations	\$2,004
Leadership Development	\$16,404
Fundraising	\$31,759
<ul><li>Office Supplies</li><li>Other</li></ul>	\$16,629 \$10,348
Professional Fees     Office Supplies	\$20,013
Utilities & Phone/Internet	\$24,838
Repairs & Maintenance	\$42,023
Property Taxes	\$22,715
<ul><li>Mortgage</li><li>Insurance</li></ul>	\$23,514
Administrative	\$72,325
<ul> <li>Mary Friedman Scholarship</li> </ul>	\$500
<ul> <li>Personnel</li> </ul>	\$647,731
Recreation & Educational Program	\$41,697
Program Development  • Food Program	\$45,554



### REVENUE

43%

Grants

30%

Memberships & Fees

13%

Fundraising

12%

Donations

2%

Other Income

### **EXPENSES**

72%

Program Development

23%

Administrative

3%

Fundraising

2%

Leadership Development

**0.2%**Public Relations



## Our Donors, Funders & Supporters

## **Champions** \$50,000 +

Government of Canada Government of Saskatchewan, Ministry of Social Services Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust Fund for Sport, Culture and Recreation Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association (SPRA)

### Major Funders \$20,000 - \$49,999

BATC Community Development Corporation
Battlefords and District Community
Foundation
BGC Canada
Cenovus Energy
City of North Battleford
Innovation Federal Credit Union
Jays Care Foundation
Kinsmen Club of North Battleford
North Battleford Auto Dealers Association

### **Builders** \$10,000 - \$19,999

Battlefords United Way Community Initiatives Fund President's Choice Children's Charity RBC Future Launch

## **Changemakers** \$5,000 - \$9,999

Blend Restaurant & Bar Bridges Chevrolet Buick GMC Edwards Irwin Fund FFUN Dodge North Battleford Gold Eagle Casino Stromberg Family Fund

### **Partners** \$1,000 - \$4,999

**Access Communications** Adora Diamonds Bernie & Jackie Etcheverry **Boyd Wakelin** Discovery Co-operative Ltd. **Dustin Bohse** Edna Bigears Giant Tiger Hawtin Plumbing Services Inc. Jay's Transportation Group Ltd. Jennifer Schmidt Kal Tire Kiwanis Club of the Battlefords Kleenex® Lionel Chabot Lyle V. Schell Construction Management Services Ltd. Marvin Chasse Mel & Pat Rowat Family Fund Mitchell's Foods Molly Pederson Nadia Heisler North Battleford Hyundai Oil Can Charlie's **OSL Retail Services** 

**RBC** Foundation **RCMP Provincial Charity Hockey Tournament** River Valley Eye Care Sandra Favel Rewerts Saskatchewan Union of Nurses Local #33 Scott Campbell Dodge Shaun & Loralie Raiche Silvester Glass & Aluminum Products Ltd. SLGA Strathcona Resources Ltd. Suzanne Reid Talia Cantafio Terry Dukes The Coca-Cola Foundation Valley Ford Sales Walmart Canada Westland Insurance WPD Ambulance

## **Supporters** \$500 - \$999

Rainbow Tovota

Aaron & Jennie Friedman Anonymous Brendon Boothman Brent Illingworth Caring For Kids Fund David Schell Heath Gabruch Holy Family School José Pruden Kalvin Aspelund Larry Houle Macro Properties Mammoth Construction Inc. **Northland Power** PepsiCo Foods Canada Rob Rongve Sarcan Recycling Terrance Baer Unifor Local 649

### **Donors** \$1 - \$499

Alexander White All Out Graphics & Design Ltd. Amber Volk Amy Lightfoot Amy Ray Andrea Scheler Anni Baier Austin's Saddlery

Bailey Eisenkirch Barb Heidt, in memory of Marilyn

O'Driscoll **Barb Lilly** Barb McIntosh Barrett Penner Bart Wood

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Wuttunee **Beatrice Ulmer** Bernard Georget

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Constance Ulmer Dale Loucks Dance Connection Dani Muyres Danielle Nault **Darcy Woolfitt** Devanshu Patel Darren Berg Daryl Grant Diana Ward

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Erika Schneider Erin Hamilton **Eunice Florendo** Fisher's Drug Store Gavin Garden Gordon Munn **Greg Lightfoot** Guillermo Quinones

**Guy Snaith** Hal Brown Heather Munn Helen Germann **Howard Kirby** 

Hustle House Spin Studio Ltd.

Ian Guilderson Jabber Welding Ltd. Janelle Mann Jayna Hannah Jeff Houle Jes Kohut Jesse Gilbert Jian Feng Liu John McHardy Josh Klassen Kaila Tipton

Kanaweyimik Child & Family Services

Keenan Leibel Kelcey Van Driesten

Kelly Goetz Kelly Rae Waters Kent Lindgren Kevan Migneault Kevin Driedger Kevin Monsebroten Kimberley Hebert Kirstin Cameron Kramer Trailer Sales

Laird Brittin Latisha Fiarchuk Laura Slater Lauralee St. Amant Laurel Zehner Leah Tokaryk Les Hurlburt Lexi Wilson Lindsey Lazar Lindy MacLeod Lisa Etcheverry Lisa Whitford Lizelle Craib

Lori Boczulak

Louise Erbach

Mallory Simmonds

Lori Pruden

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(Battleford STS) Theresa Kolberg Tisha Carriere Todd Wakelin Tracy Voigt

United Way East Ontario

Warren Berg

We sincerely appreciate and acknowledge our many donors, funders, and supporters who generously contributed to BGC Battlefords between January 1 and December 31, 2023.

Your generosity is vital to the programs and services that we offer to children & youth of The Battlefords.



## In-Kind Donors

2 for 1 Family Pizza

7-Eleven

Andre's Meat Shoppe Apex Trampoline Park

Ashleigh Craig Aurora Boutique

Autumn + Ash

B & D Meats

Barnwood Customs Battlefords AAA Stars Battleford Furniture Ltd.

**Battlefords Flooring Centre** 

**Battlefords Landscape Supply** Battlefords Early Childhood Intervention

Program

Beauty Spot Lash Bar & Spa

Becky Stroo

beePLUS Workplace Solutions

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City of North Battleford Community Safety Logan's Day Spa

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Irene Caslor Jaylyn Lawrence Jenna Rumpf Jennifer Gentes KAG Canada

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Battleford

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Paul Baskey Pizza Hut

Porta Bella Restaurant

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Ross McAngus

Ruth & Herman French

Rvan Haase SaskPower Sharon Kirby Silvester Glass

Smitty's Family Restaurant Sobeys North Battleford

Sound City AVU

Supplement World North Battleford

Taco Time Tanya Kalyn

The Allen Sapp Gallery – Gonor

Collection Thelma Wakelin Tim Hortons

Trig Energy Services

Ultra Print

Western Development Museum

WestJet Cares for Kids





### **Thank You**

to our partners for their outstanding commitment to changing young lives







Saskatchewan
Parks and Recreation
Association















North Battleford Auto Dealers Association

























Stromberg Family Fund

# The Learning & Impact Project



Beginning in 2022, BGC Canada and clubs across the country embarked on an impact journey- the Learning & Impact Project (L&I Project). The purpose of the L&I Project is to prove and improve the impact of Clubs across Canada, individually and collectively, through evaluation.

Through the L&I Project, our goal is to ensure we are providing the best services and programs to our community that we can and be able to share with you the impact we are making!

# Because of our Club...

86%

of children & youth are more physically active

80%

of children & youth are more comfortable leading

88%

of children & youth are more confident in their futures

96%

of children & youth are more excited to try new things

85%

of children & youth say they are more conifident in their abilites

86%

of children & youth feel more comfortable being themselves









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