



THE BIG BOUNCE BACK

2023

YEAR-END REPORT

Dear Friends,

The rebound that Kids Up Front Vancouver experienced in 2023 was nothing short of extraordinary. It marked a truly exceptional year, brimming with reasons for gratitude – and it is your unwavering support that made it all possible.

Throughout the challenging pandemic years, your steadfast commitment remained unwavering. When events eventually resumed, your continued support ensured that thousands of remarkable children could once again partake in enriching experiences. Your dedication propelled us forward, and although we are still in the process of reaching our previous levels, your contributions have set us on the right path.

Here are just a few of the awe-inspiring experiences your generosity made possible:

- Hundreds of Whitecaps, Bandits, and Canucks games
- The Beyonce, Seal, Ed Sheeran & KISS concerts
- · Marvel's Avengers and Seussical the Musical
- The Opera, the Symphony, Museums and more...

We're pleased and honored to say that we welcomed a record number of new ticket donors over the past year while partnering with new community agencies as well. These collaborative efforts ensure that your donated tickets reach children who might otherwise miss the opportunity to be front and center at sports games, concerts, and theater performances.

When we weren't helping kids take in the city's most sought-after events and attractions, we were working hard to plan our More Than A Movie event at BC Place. In fact, we brought in over 1,400 children, youth and families to enjoy on-field activities with our major sports team and to watch a movie on the big screen at BC Place. Ticket and event sponsors enabled Kids Up Front to provide each guest with ice cream, popcorn a hot dog and a drink. We are already planning for next year's event and it will be bigger and better than ever before.

There are plenty of additional highlights to share with you as we get ready to celebrate our 20th anniversary in 2024!

Once again, we extend our heartfelt gratitude for believing in the significance of our mission and the power of connection through shared experiences.

Thank you for being a part of Kids Up Front's bounce back!

Caryl E. Dolinko Executive Director

Lisa Zastre President



 From empty seats to unforgettable adventures

We take the tickets donors can't use and distribute them to deserving kids. Along the way, we build self-esteem, inspire dreamsand strengthen community tiesone ticket at a time.

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Being there live?
It's a big-time boost

Sometimes what kids in need need most is a chance to experience the thrill of a win by their hometown team or the excitement of a concert by their favourite band. After all, a little fun goes a long, long way.

Greater Vancouver and the Fraser Valley

\$18 SNI

kidsupfront.com/vancouver

value in tickets

110 agencies

Admit one? Your tickets are way more powerful than that

They lower barriers.
They help families bond.
They make kids feel part
of the action. Donate
today and we bet you'll
feel pretty good, too.

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450K attickets donated





From empty seats to unforgettable adventures

> We take the tickets you can't use and distribute them to kids across Canada. Along the way, we build self-esteem, inspire dreams and strengthen family bonds and community ties-one tickets at a time.

We're at work in six cities across Canada

> Thanks to our 600+ Community Agencies, we have been able to share more than one million tickets nationally with deserving kids in Vancouver, Calgary, Edmonton, Toronto, Ottawa and Atlantic Canada.

years of smiles

156,59

356,591

356,591

local chapters

356,591

356,591

KUF Ottawa 356,591

community agencies

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www.kidsupfront.com

Admit one? Your tickets are way more powerful

They lower barriers. They create inclusion. They help families bond. They make kids feel part of the action. Donate today and we bet you'll feel pretty good, too.

THANKS FOR BEING PART OF OUR POST-COVID BOUNCE BACK.

In 2023, Kids Up Front received 20,357 in-kind ticket and event donations valued at more than \$640,000.



2023 TICKET SNAPSHOT



490 ARTS EVENTS



899 SOCCER / BASKETBALL GAMES



958 THEATRE EXPERIENCES



148
DANCE
EXPERIENCES



8,299 FOOTBALL TICKETS



722 MOVIE PASSES



916 CONCERT TICKETS



628 BASEBALL GAMES



1,314 ATTRACTION PASSES



913 OTHER SPORTS

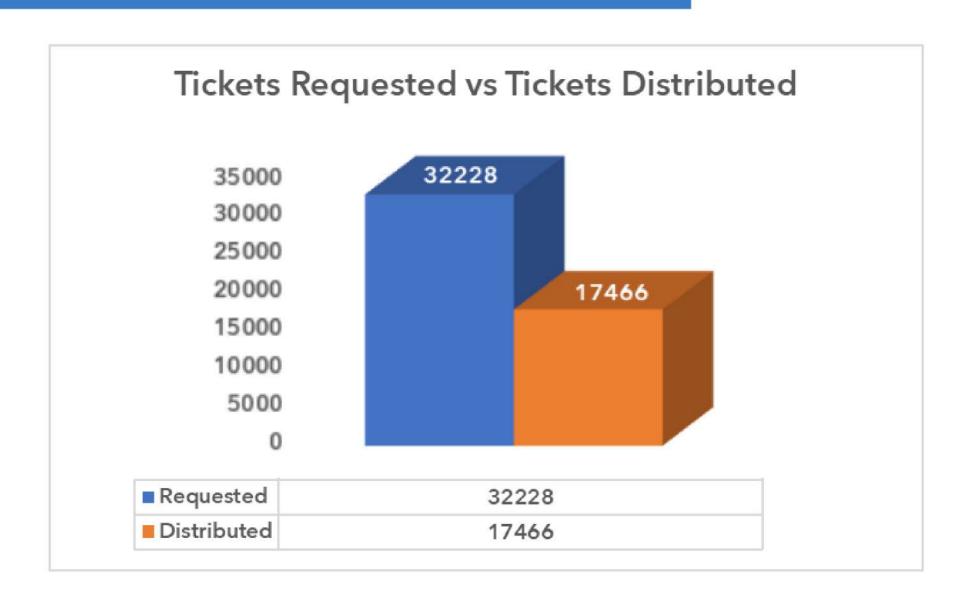


2,010 HOCKEY TICKETS



59 SUMMER CAMP SPOTS

THE NEED IS GROWING



PROGRAMS



MORE THAN A TICKET

Joy. Inclusion. Community. That's what our marquee program creates - thanks to your donations! In 2023, More Than A Ticket ensured thousands of Kids Up Front kids took in their first big-league game, listened to awesome music, explored our museums, discovered incredible art and much, much more.

















































2023 ____

20,357

\$640,000

tickets

value





CIBC THEATRE FOR ALL

After staying apart for so long, it was such a thrill to come together inside theatres right across the country and feel the power of live performance. Whether they were enjoying Bard on the Beach, Theatre Under the Stars, The Arts Club Theatre's production of Elf or Little Shop of Horrors, or one of the other awesome musicals, our Kids Up Front kids reveled in these collective experiences.

















2022

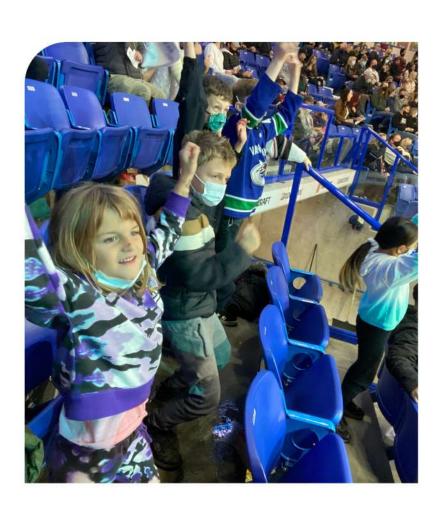
6,485 tickets nationally

\$305,189

value



"A huge thank you for giving our family and such a fun evening, taking in the production at the Stanley Theatre. Here's a photo of of us before the show began. It was beyond our expectations - the performance was outstanding and the set was impressive too."



HOCKEY FANS IN THE STANDS

What's the best game you can name for bringing kids, families and fans together? It's hockey, of course. Thanks to your support, we were able to share tickets to thousands of games nationally last year – including some marquee matchups during the most recent World Juniors in Halifax, home of our newest Kids Up Front chapter!











2022

28,216

\$2,032,075

tickets nationally

value

OUR VIRTUAL NEIGHBOURHOOD

This program was founded when kids couldn't attend events, so we brought the events to them through this cross-Canada online program that helps promote deeper community connections and inclusivity while inspiring growth around important topics like resilience, mental health and active living.



2022

5,000+
Estimated kids reached

priceless

LEARN ABOUT OUR VIRTUAL NEIGHBOURHOOD





The Hot Docs Citizen Minutes
Series Two
Streaming free for
Citizenship Week (May 22-28)









MORE THAN A MOVIE

More Than A Movie was a magical and unforgettable community event hosted by Kids Up Front. Children were immersed in a unique experience watching The Little Mermaid on the big screen at the iconic BC Place!

We welcomed over 1,400 kids and their families at this awesome event, along with attendees who also enjoyed an exclusive tour of the BC Sports Hall of Fame. There were exhilarating on-field activities like kicking soccer balls and throwing footballs, and memories were captured with team mascots from the BC Lions, the Bandits, and the Whitecaps. Each ticket included admission for the movie, access to on-field activities, were able to indulged in hot dogs, popcorn, ice cream and drinks, and kids were captivated by the cinematic spectacle.

For every ticket sold, a ticket was donated to a child, to experience the magic. Donated tickets were distributed to families facing systemic barriers. Folks were also able to double their impact and donate purchased tickets back to Kids Up Front and deserving kids gained access to this incredible event.













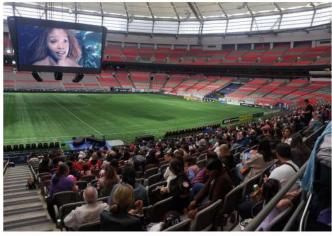














COMMUNITY PARTNERS

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Abbotsford Youth Unlimited
Aboriginal Mother Centre Society
Adolescent Day Treatment Program – East
Aleph in the Tri-Cities Society
Ambleside Youth Centre
Atira Women's Resource Society

В.

BC Epilepsy Society
BC Federation of Foster Parent Associations
BC Women's Hospital + Health Centre
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Langley
Big Brothers Greater Vancouver
Big Sisters of BC Lower Mainland
Boundless Vancouver (Salvation Army)
Britannia Community Services Centre
Burnaby Association for Community Inclusion
(BACI)

C.

Cameray Community Fund
Carrier Sekani Family Services
Cedar Cottage Neighbourhood House
Children's Foundation (The)
Children's Heart Network
Children's Organ Transplant Society
Chinese Community Policing Centre
Collingwood Neighbourhood House
Coquitlam Alternate Basic Education
Crisis Centre

D.

Dixon Transition Society

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Elizabeth Fry Society Encompass Support Services Society

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Family Services of Greater Vancouver
Focus Foundation of BC
Frank Hurt Elementary School
Fraser Region Aboriginal Friendship Centre
Association
Fraser Valley Child Development Centre
Fraser Valley Foster Parent Association
Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House

G-H.

Helping Spirit Lodge Society Hillcrest Centre Hollyburn Family Services

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Immigrant Services Society
Indian Residential School Survivors Society

J-K.

Katzie First Nation Child and Youth Program KidSafe Project Society Killarney Secondary School Kitsilano Neighbourhood House Kiwassa Neighbourhood House Kwayhquitlum Middle School

L.

Langley Community Services Society Little Mountain Neighbourhood House Lumara Society

M.

Mainland BC Military Family Resource Centre
Marpole Oakridge Community Centre
MCFD – Indigenous Family & Child Services
Milieu Family Services
Mom2Mom Child Poverty Initiative
MOSAIC
Mount Pleasant Family Centre Society
Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House
Musqueam Indian Band

N.

LNisga'a Ts'amiks Vancouver Society North Shore Crisis Services Society

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Options Community Services Society



P.

Pacific Community Resources Society Parkgate Community Services Society PEAK House PLEA

Q

Queen Alexandra FAMILY School

R.

Renfrew Park Community Association Richmond Pentecostal Church Richmond Society for Community Living Ridge Meadows Association for Community Living Ronald McDonald House – BC & Yukon

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Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus Association of BC Spirit of the Children Society St. Leonard's Youth and Family Services Starlight Children's Foundation Strathcona Community Association Surrey School District

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Thunderbird Community Centre
Timms Community Centre
Touchstone Family Association
Trout Lake Community Centre
Tsleil-Waututh Nation

U.

Union Gospel Mission Urban Native Youth Association

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Vancouver Aboriginal Child & Family Services Society
Vancouver Aboriginal Friendship Centre Society
Vancouver Aboriginal Health Society – Indigenous
Early Years Services
Vancouver Coastal Health – SACY Leadership and
Resiliency (LRP) Program
Vancouver Rape Relief
Volunteer Grandparents

W-Y.

Watari Youth, Family & Community Services Westcoast Family Centres YWCA – Single Mothers Mentorship Program

FINANCIALS

EXPENSES

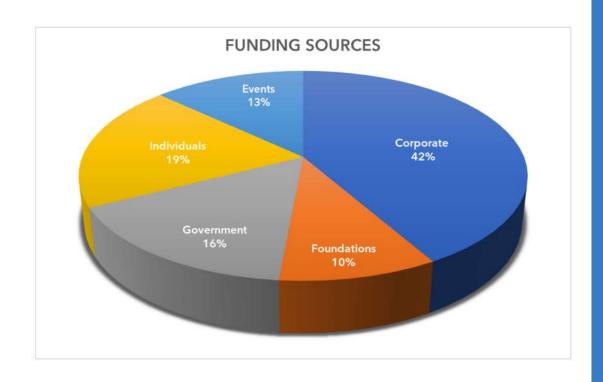
Tickets / Passes	\$2,257
Experiences In-Kind	\$640,000
Program Costs	\$58,543
Rent and Office Operations	\$50,445
Legal and Accounting	\$2,561
Insurance	\$4,495
IT and Web Licensing	\$1,791
Total	\$760,092

DONATIONS

Corporate Sponsors	\$36,393
Foundation Grants	\$8,451
Government Grants	\$13,900
Individual Donations	\$17,106
Fundraising Events	\$11,323
Total	\$87,173

REVENUE

In-kind Donations	\$640,000
Cash Donations	\$87,173
Agency Fees	\$17,940
Total	\$745,113



CORPORATE AND FOUNDATION DONORS

































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