

ANNUAL REPORT 2021



A LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT & CEO

Dear Friends,

Each year, writing this report gives me an opportunity to reflect on all the relationships that make the Tickets for Kids network come to life. For me, it's an experience of gratitude to our youth-serving nonprofit partners, our ticket donors, our financial supporters, our staff, and our volunteers. Each of you play a critical part in ensuring that all kids have access to experiences that inspire, educate, and bring joy into their lives.

To think that at the start of last year there were very few tickets to provide, and that by year's end we matched more than 60,000 tickets to kids in need, is simply astounding. Our ability to accomplish that level of impact was not by luck. It was a result of the part that each of you have played and the commitment you make to including all kids in experiencing theater, sporting events, science centers, and more.

I recently received a letter from a kid who was blown away by the fact that there were "strangers who care" enough about him to give him the opportunity to see a ball game. He explained how it made him "feel better about his life." For him, that ticket was hope for a brighter future.

Thank you for being the 'strangers that care.'

Sincerely,

Jason J. Riley President & CEO



Mission: Tickets for Kids provides atrisk children with experiences that inspire hope, dreams, and achievements for a lifetime.

Tickets



The core of our mission is to inspire kids and connect them with their communities through access to ticketed events and experiences. Each ticket represents an opportunity to make a kid feel valued, included, and inspired to reach their full potential. We matched these opportunities to kids most in need through our network of 2,334 youth-serving nonprofit partners such as schools, community centers, homeless and domestic abuse shelters, mentoring programs, and more.





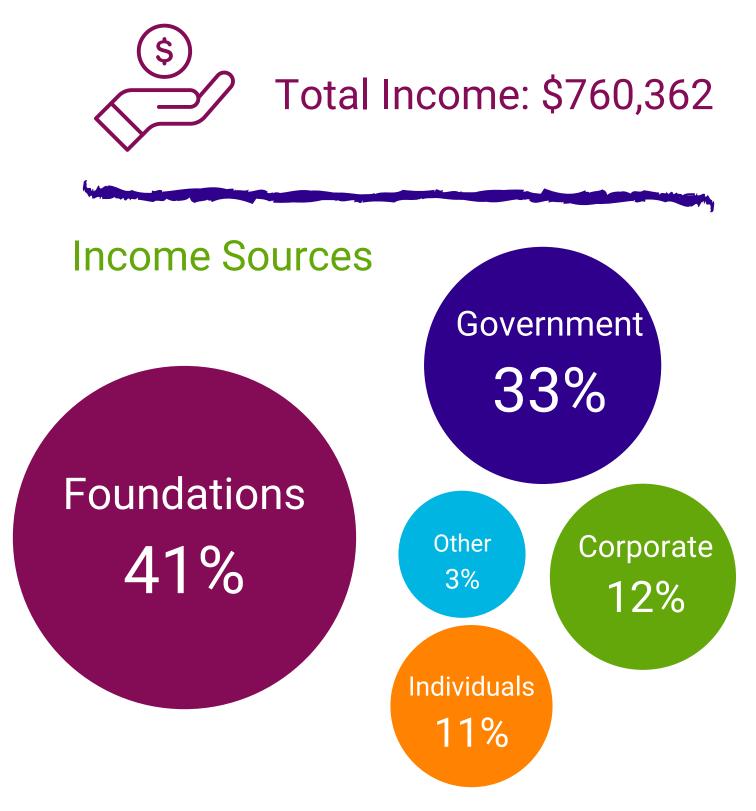
As our young men become adults it is harder to give guidance because they often feel like they have to do things all on their own. For our kids this has been the dynamic their whole lives, by necessity not by choice, because they have few support mechanisms. One of the ways I know I will have the time and opportunity to influence our young men is sitting at a sporting event like this NBA game. Thanks for the opportunity to enjoy a game and at the same time help them deal with some significant life issues.

> It's much more than a ticket. It's building the bonds that influence their lives.

Financial Support



So many people contribute to inspiring every kid impacted by the Tickets for Kids' network – our agency partners, ticket donors, friends, and advocates of TFK. We'd like to say a special "Thanks!" to those who financially support the programming of this network. Donation income was received through foundations, corporations, government, fundraising events, and many generous individuals.



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