

Impact Report 2022



#### Mission



Tickets for Kids provides at-risk children with experiences that inspire hope, dreams, and achievements for a lifetime.

# A Letter from our CEO

#### Dear Friends,

From theaters and museums to stadiums and science centers, we witnessed the resounding joy, inspiration, and inclusion felt by kids across our communities this past year. This is thanks to you, our partners who make the Tickets for Kids network possible.

Tens of thousands of kids got to experience the world around them in new ways, experience a sense of belonging and community in new ways, and many even began to think of their own potential in new ways. And, we know that these opportunities are so much more than a ticket. They are used as a tool to build impactful relationships, practice social skills, and encourage kids to dream bigger.

I've had the pleasure of working with this wonderful organization for nearly eight years, and the power of simple experiences never ceases to amaze me. I want to thank you for making these powerful opportunities available to the kids who need them most. In the year ahead, we look forward to continuing to grow our impact together.

With sincere gratitude,

Jason Riley

President & CEO

#### **Impact Areas**



135,936

Tickets provided to kids who wouldn't otherwise have had the opportunity



43,251

Kids attended events for the first time



## \$4,398,912.87

worth of tickets provided at no cost to our area nonprofits

#### **Accessing New Opportunities**



**Today was so magical.** The families were amazed by the floor seats being so close to the stage and it allowed them to engage so much more. It was everyone's **first time experiencing a ballet performance**.

The entire time, everyone was in awe of the beauty of ballet and it was so serene to watch. This experience allowed the families to be exposed to a new interest that they never knew they could enjoy.

The children left wanting to do ballet and practiced the entire walk to the parking lot. We appreciate all the great memories the families are making. Thank you so much for welcoming our participants and allowing families to attend all the events that they would not be able to attend if it had not been for this great organization. We have a little girl that now wants to become a ballerina."

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### **Developing Life-Skills**



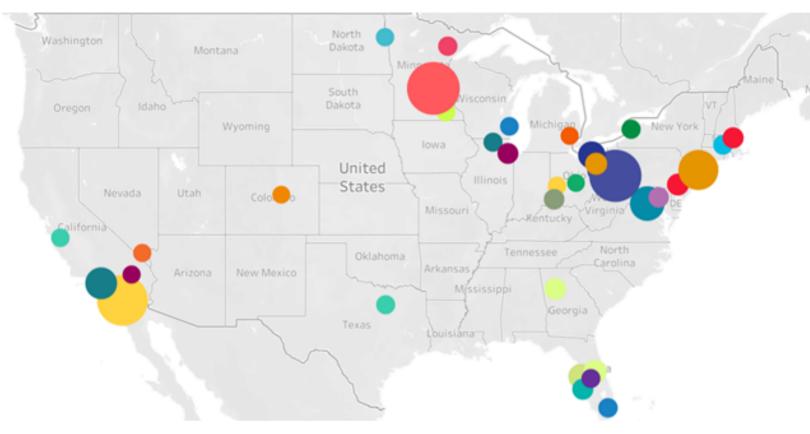
This was the **first time these kids had ever been to a museum**, and they absolutely loved all of the interactive activities! **We had so many discussions about pullies and force and space and fire engines and car washes!** They ran from room to room to see what they would discover next!

They recently moved and are attending a new school in the fall and are very apprehensive - **this was a fun way to help them interact with other kids** and learn to share and talk to other children. As we left, **they couldn't stop talking about their day at the museum** and all they experienced.

## Thank you so much for building life-long memories and helping kids develop important skills.

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