10 Year Anniversary Report





2014-2024



Message from the Chair

Dear Supporters,

As we celebrate ten years of the Joy of Sports Foundation (JSF), we reflect on our journey and the incredible support that has made our success possible.

The Joy of Sports Foundation was started in 2014 by Terry Singer, a long-time Derry Township resident. Terry began JSF with a vision to serve the youth and families of Derry Township through physical activity opportunities, training, recognition, and collaboration. While Terry has since retired from the Board, your support has allowed us to continue Terry's vision.

This report showcases our accomplishments over the past year and provides a high-level overview of our decade-long impact. As a 100% volunteer organization, we are proud of what we have accomplished from our humble beginnings.

Thank you for being part of our story.

Sincerely,

Ann Zaprazny

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Chair, Joy of Sports Foundation





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About The Joy of Sports Foundation

The goal of JSF is to expand and enhance athletic opportunities and experiences for all youth in Derry Township to get them playing and to keep them playing!

JSF will seek to accomplish this mission by striving to:

- Expand opportunities for youth and families to be active.
- Invest in training for the sports community.
- Recognize youth sports leaders, volunteers, and student athletes in the Derry Township community.
- Collaborate with members of the community to increase youth engagement in physical activity.





Why We Do What We Do

The goal of JSF is to expand and enhance athletic opportunities and experiences for all youth in Derry Township to get them playing and to keep them playing! This is critically important based on local and national statistics on youth physical and mental health.

Children and adolescents ages 6 through 17 years are recommended to do 60 minutes (1 hour) or more of moderate-to-vigorous physical activity daily.

Overall, 53% of Derry Township youth are not moving enough based on CDC guidelines. There is a decrease in physical activity engagement starting between ages 10-13 and continues to decline.

References:

The Aspen Institute, Coaching Social & Emotional Skills in Youth Sports; The <u>Physical Activity Guidelines for Americans, 2nd edition [PDF – 13.5 MB]</u>, issued by the US Department of Health and Human Services; Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (cdc.gov); National Institutes of Health (nih.gov); World Health Organization (who.int).







Fiscal Year June 1, 2023 - May 31, 2024



Highlights

Fiscal Year June 1, 2023 - May 31, 2024

During this fiscal year, the Joy of Sports Foundation was able to expand our community impact by:



AWARDING 20 one-month Derry Township Community Center Scholarships to 16 Families and 4 Individuals.



INCREASING the number of Triple Impact Competitor \$1000 Scholarship winners from two to four recipients who invested in their self-improvement, made their team better, and advanced their sport.



HOSTING three activities for youth and adults including: youth volleyball, youth kickball, and the 3rd annual Spooktacular Doubles Disc Golf Tournament. Nearly 150 youth and adults participated in these affordable programs.



INVESTING in a Positive Coaching Alliance partnership and conducting a "Coaching with Empathy" Zoom Workshop for coaches. Some 20 participants registered for the program.





Challenges & Changes

Fiscal Year June 1, 2023 - May 31, 2024

During this fiscal year we tackled two major challenges: unwrapping the funding raising effort for the multi-use street roller hockey rink and transition of four board members.

Roller Hockey Rink

In May of 2023, the Joy of Sports
Foundation voted to disband their
efforts to pursue the building of a
multiuse street roller hockey rink. The
project, which was originally met with
excitement by the Derry Township
School Board, was no longer a priority.
The hockey rink fundraising was a fouryear effort.

A good faith effort was made to contact the donors who specifically contributed to the rink project to inform them of their decision and offer to refund their donation or redirect their donation to the general funds. Over \$26,000 in corporate and personal donations were refunded to donors, an \$11,000 Dauphin County Grant was rescinded, and many donors asked that we redirect their donations to the general fund.

Board Membership

The success of a non-profit is tied to the quality of its board members and volunteers. During this fiscal year, we said goodbye and thank you to four board members who completed their board service. As of July 2024, we are operating with a 5-member, 100% volunteer board and are recruiting new board members and volunteers to help us maintain and expand our efforts.

Please send an email to info@joyofsportsfoundation.org if you would like to learn more.



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Moving Forward

Fiscal Year June 1, 2024 – May 31, 2025 Priorities



- 1) Expand opportunities for youth and community members to be active through program offerings and scholarships to the Derry Township Community Center.
- 2) Invest in training of athletes and coaches via our Positive Coaching Alliance offerings which include:
 - 100 virtual online training seats for any youth coach or parent who is interested in coaching
 - One in-person training event
- 3) Collaborate with members of the community to continue offering: Kickball, Volleyball, and the Disc Golf Tournament.
- 4) Recognize outstanding volunteers and youth in the community via:
 - Triple Impact Competitor Scholarships May 2025
 - Annual Recognition Dinner June 2025
- 5) Recruit volunteers and JSF Board members so we can expand program offerings.



Financials

| 2023-2024 Annual Revenue | \$7,631 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Program Registration Fees | \$7,424 |
| • Volleyball, Spooktacular, Kickball Investment Income | \$207 |
| | |
| | Annual Expenses |
| Operating Expenses | |
| • Website, Insurance, Tax Filing, etc. | \$3,821 |
| • Program Expenses, T-Shirts, Equipment, etc. | \$5,476 |
| Sponsorships & Scholarships | \$3,400 |
| • PCA Annual Contract | \$3,900 |
| 2023/2024 Net Income/Loss | (\$8,966) |

Net loss due to expenses exceeding income and no fund raising efforts during the 2023-2024 fiscal year.



^{*}Unaudited financials

Board of Directors



ANN ZAPRAZNY
CHAIR



CHRIS PAINTER
VICE CHAIR



HEATH GREEN
SECRETARY



KAT ENGLISHBOARD MEMBER



PAULA MOODIE BOARD MEMBER



10 Year Summary 2014 - 2024





#1

Expand opportunities for youth and families to be active.

Over the past 10 years, The Joy of Sports Foundation offered diverse programs to provide opportunities for youth to experience different sports. Some of these were held multiple times over the course of 10 years.

In Person Programs:

- Cricket
- Disc Golf
- Dodgeball
- Flag Football
- 'Free Play' Night
- Girls Rugby
- Indoor Volleyball
- Kickball
- Men's Senior Basketball
- PlayFit for Middle Schoolers
- Outdoor Volleyball
- Sports Sampling Camp

Virtual Programs:

- 5K Series
- Champion Mindset Bingo
- LeBlast Dance
- Quarantine Olympics
- Scavenger Hunt
- Yoga





"My daughter was so nervous to play kickball. After the first week, you could see her confidence increase."

-Mother of 3rd grade participant

1,000
Participants



"The virtual programs you offered during Covid were a gift. Thank you."



#2

Invest in training for the sports community.

Over the past 10 years, The Joy of Sports Foundation underwrote and gifted training programs to the Derry Township School District Athletic Department, Hershey Youth Soccer, and Hershey Aquatic Club.

Positive Coaching Alliance

- Athletes and Social Media Use
- Coaching with Empathy
- **Double Goal Coach**
- Double Goal Coach: Culture, Practice, and Games
- Developing Triple Impact Competitors 2x
- Second Goal Parent: Developing Winners in Life through **Sports**

Other

- Changing the Game / John O'Sullivan
- Swimming with Confidence for HAC female swimmers

4 "After the PCA workshop, I changed how I coached my players, and how I communicated with my daughters on the car ride home."



-Hershey Soccer Coach & Parent, **Hershey Soccer Club**



"Thank you for hosting John O'Sullivan. His book and his talk on Changing the Game helped our family re-evaluate our priorities and talk about how sports fit into our family life."

-Soccer Parent









Total

Investment





#3

Recognize youth sports leaders, volunteers, and student athletes in the Derry Township community.

Over the past 10 years, The Joy of Sports Foundation has created events and opportunities to recognize the many selfless volunteers who commit endless hours to make youth sports in our community successful. JSF has also created the annual Triple Impact Competitor Scholarship Award to recognize student athletes who embody the spirit of a Triple Impact Competitor.

\$11,000
awarded in scholarship funds

volunteers and coaches recognized



"The recognition dinner and the award was so nice and completely unexpected."

-Volunteer Award Winner

"Thank you for the \$1,000 scholarship. I will use the money to help pay for my books and offset the cost of the expense of college."

-Triple Impact Competitor Scholarship Recipient







#4

Collaborate with members of the community to increase youth engagement in physical activity.

Over the past 10 years, The Joy of Sports Foundation has strived to be a good partner within the Derry Township community and collaborate with youth recreational leagues, business, and community organizations who have supported our efforts.

> **Shank Park Disc Golf** Course **Improvements**

> > \$7,000

Donations, grants, and sponsorships \$10,095

Survey of Derry Township students \$3,500

State of Play

Contributions to community projects and

\$22,459

Total Financial groups

Partnerships:

- **Derry Township Parks & Recreation**
- **Derry Township School District**
- Hershey Rotary Club
- **Milton Hershey School**
- Penn State College of Medicine
- **Penn State Health**

Scholarships to **Community** Center

\$1,864

Support of Local Events and Groups:

- Ben & Tim Day
- **Bike to School Day**
- **Heroes for Hershey**
- **Hershey Aquatic Club**
- **Hershey Composite Mountain Bike Club**
- Hershey Food Bank
- **Hershey Girls Rugby**
- **Hershey HS Boosters**
- **Hershey Little League**
- National Night Out





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WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE for Derry Township youth? JOIN US!



