Learning Outside

Enhancing children's lives and learning by spending time in nature.

13 Years!



OUR MISSION

Learning Outside's mission is to provide children with quality outdoor experiences that enhance their lives and learning, instill a love of the natural world and promote lifelong environmental stewardship. Key to our mission is serving individuals who do not have ready access to naturebased learning programs.



OUR VISION

Our vision is of a community where nature and humans live in deeper harmony, equitably and sustainably. One where all children have access to time in nature playing, exploring and learning so they can thrive as children, develop a love for the natural world and grow into adults committed to enjoying, caring for and preserving our natural spaces lifelong.



IMPACT

2022

Learning Outside offered safe, hands-on, active nature experiences to the children of our community.

100%

FULL SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarship for every underserved child referred

100 %

PROGRAM TIME OUTDOORS

through all four seasons

100%

SCREEN-FREE TIME

in nature for every child

193,385

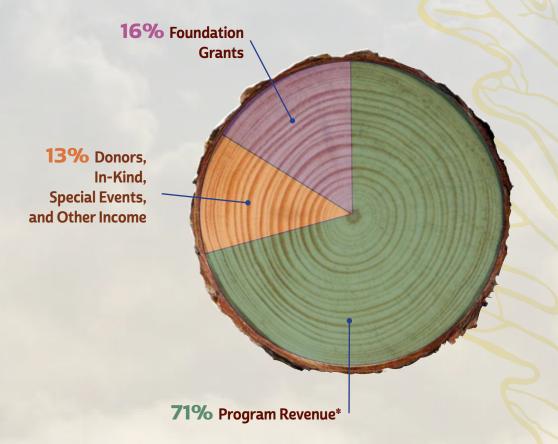
HOURS

Children spent outside hiking, playing, exploring and falling in love with nature at Learning Outside

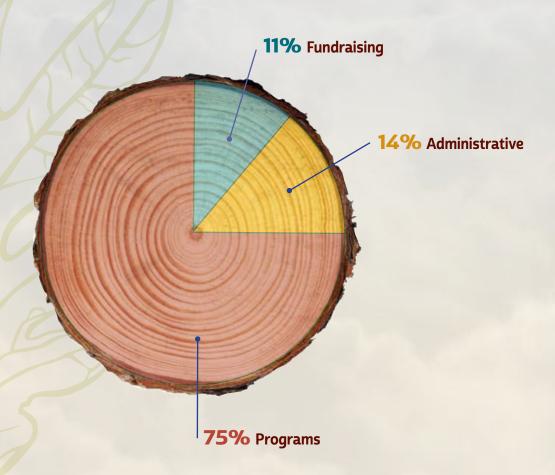


FINANCIAL 2022

REVENUE - \$469,746



EXPENSES - \$384,112



2022 Reviewed Financial Statements available by request. *Program revenue includes net assets released from restrictions.

PARENT TESTIMONIALS



"Learning Outside is a magical place for kids! The instructors are wonderful and create an atmosphere where the children are heard and respected. There is routine and rhythm but also exploration and learning about our natural environment. My kids always come home from there grounded and content. There's an amazing community of parents there as well! We started with Forest K in 2017 but keep coming back for their after school adventure clubs and summer camps because we all love it there so much."

-Andrea Wood, Parent



OUR TEAM

Staff

Wendy Banning, Director/Instructor

Shelby Norris, Program Director/Instructor

Valerie Komives, Business Manager

Amelia Barton, Instructor

Erna Barenio, Instructor

Emma Nadeau, Learning Barn & Garden Coordinator

Hunter Eggleston, *Instructor*

Jesse White, Instructor

Luke Pollard, Instructor

Maia Derewicz, Instructor

Melanie Musso, Instructor

Sarah Hurwitz, Instructor

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Programs held at TLC's Irvin Nature Preserve & Farm 2912B Jones Ferry Rd, Chapel Hill, NC 27516

