



2022-2023 IMPACT REPORT

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Pictured above: Sammie Joseph, Jr. & Cater Joseph, Jr.

WAYA has had another incredible year! Once again, we have increased enrollment in our sports offerings and WAYA Preschool continues to be at maximum capacity. In addition, the Board of Directors recently completed a working session to polish off WAYA's new strategic plan.

Our grounds and facilities were in desperate need of some major upgrades (including air conditioners) and thanks to our successful Family Day fundraiser, we have been able to complete some of these major projects over the past year.

As my time serving as the WAYA Board President comes to an end, I would like to thank the neighborhood, the board, the staff, and Melissa Morrow for allowing me to serve our community. Youth sports are incredibly special to me and my family, and it has been a fulfilling job representing this organization. I look forward to cheering WAYA on for many more years of success!

Mark Newberry, Board President

In 2022-2023 WAYA served

16,138 KIDS

5,400

KIDS PLAYED
WAYA SPORTS

2,573

KIDS BECAME
WAYA MEMBERS

104

STUDENTS
ENROLLED AT
WAYA
PRESCHOOL

8,061

KIDS ATTENDED
CAMPS,
CLASSES AND
PROGRAMS

OUR MISSION:

WAYA provides recreational and educational programs in a fun and safe community environment to help children reach their full potential.



Helping Here.

**Thank you to H-E-B, WAYA's
2023 Family Day Title Sponsor!**

**Save the date for WAYA's
Family Day:**

Friday, April 5th, 2024

YOUR IMPACT

This past year, WAYA supporters invested **\$728,340** into the youth of Austin. WAYA is proud to work alongside such a caring community. As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, WAYA depends on your support to continue the work we do!

2022-2023 IMPACT HIGHLIGHTS

SPORTS

WAYA is home to a busy, year round, sports program that is made up of over seven different sports, played across five seasons. In a record-breaking year WAYA's sports programs served over **5,400 kids**.



923

New kids
played WAYA
leagues

13%

Increase in
sports leagues
participation

583

People
volunteered
to coach
WAYA kids

Preschool

WAYA Preschool serves over **90 families** each school year with students from the ages of 12 months to PreK. The Texas Rising Star program has awarded WAYA Preschool with four stars, the highest rating possible!

WAYA Preschool had a fantastic year! Thanks to your support WAYA Preschool has been able to:



Implement Nationally
Accredited
Curriculum



Provide full
benefits to Lead
Teachers



Increase
security and
safety measures



Facility Improvements

WAYA is responsible for maintaining over **40 acres** of courts, classrooms, baseball fields, and outdoor recreational spaces.



This past year, WAYA was able to maintain and update the facility with some much needed repairs and improvements:



Replaced 13 air
conditioning
units



New skylights
in ALL
the gyms



New lights on ALL
Cesar Chavez
fields

IMPACT STORY: A note from WAYA's Junior Board President

"WAYA has been such a big part of my life and impacted me in many ways. I started participating in youth volleyball when I was nine years old. My first season was rough, but I learned to be patient with myself and my teammates and keep practicing. Eventually, I got better, my understanding of the game began to click, and playing volleyball became so much fun.

In my last season my sixth grade year, my team (The Barbies) won the championship! It was the best feeling winning with my teammates who I had grown up with and worked so hard with to be our best. Many of my Barbies teammates are still some of my best friends to this day.

When my younger sister began to play WAYA volleyball, I volunteered to help coach her team to help other young players develop their skills and love for the game. Throughout my years as a player, volunteer coach, and member of the Junior Board, WAYA has helped me develop social skills with my peers and adults, and I've learned countless lessons about sportsmanship and being a team player both on and off the court. WAYA has had such a positive impact on my life and so many others, and I will always be thankful for that."

-Charlotte Pounds



WAYA's Junior Board is made up of outstanding youth in grades 9th-12th, who have participated in activities at any point in time at WAYA.

Led by youth, the purpose of the Junior Board is to give back to WAYA, and to make WAYA a fun place for years to come.

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