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MISSION STATEMENT

The Friars Club, a Catholic, Franciscan Ministry, develops valuable life skills in our youth through sports, education and leadership programming to enrich their lives and our community.

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A Word From Our President

There are few words to describe the excitement in a child's eyes and the smile on a child's face when they first walk into the Friars Club gym and bust out running for the basketball rack. There is no replacement for watching a child run and smother our coaches with a huge embrace.

Regardless of all that has happened in the past year, we are so thankful for our families and volunteers, staying safe and staying true to our programs. Thank you to all the many volunteers who give their time to coach, teach, lead, and mentor the children of the Friars Club leaving them with lifelong memories and valuable life skills.

These memories, big hugs and smiles, are only possible because of our committed donors who gave to us during the pandemic and continue giving today.

Just as our kids love their coaches, we love our donors. We pray that all our donors will continue to stay safe and healthy along with all their family members. We extend our deepest sympathy and condolences to those who lost loved ones during the pandemic over this past year.

This past year was one of the most challenging in Friars Club 161 years of serving youth of the Greater Cincinnati Community. Regardless of Covid, we continued to keep most of our programs going while creatively pivoting the way to deliver them. We truly are all in this together and we are all on the same team. It's not always the winning of the game that counts but just having the opportunity to play. And here at Friars Club **every child deserves a chance to play** and thanks to our donors they get just that.

Thank you for giving the opportunity to so many of our children to develop valuable life skills through education and leadership programming to enrich their lives and our community.



Annie Timmons

Annie Timmons, President

FRIARS BY THE NUMBERS

569

CHILDREN/ YOUTH



were safely supervised and mentored in our Ron Walker Youth Sports Proram with an emphasis on Friars Club values of Respect, Leadership, and Good Sportsmanship.

170

INNER-CITY YOUTH



Enriching Young Lives

we're able to stay active and healthy during the pandemic lockdown through the support of the Charles H. Dater Foundation.

remained loyal and dedicated to coaching, mentoring, and teaching helping children both **VOLUNTEERS** at Friars Club and their schools during the COVID-19 pandemic.

LEADERS

received mentoring in the Jean & Jake Sweeney Learning Center to navigate as leaders on and off the court for Junior Dribbler (K-2) basketball players.

2020 REVENUE

(unaudited)



2020 FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

(unaudited)





TriHealth generously provided PPE (personal protective equipment) so children who connect with the Friars Club would be COVID-safe. TriHealth also was a much needed source for TriHealth enrichment opportunities.

The Jeanne & Jake Sweeny Learning Center, partially funded by PNC Charitable Trusts, supports students with reading and math. Over the summer, 83% of students improved and 17% maintained their skill level in math while 37% of students improved and 63% maintained their skill level in reading.



Coach Jule Fey's donation to Friars Club started a scholarship fund ensuring every child has a chance to play.

170 local students participated in the CISE sports program, partially funded by the Charles H. Dater Foundation, with the help and support of volunteer coaches. These students received quality study time, healthy snacks, and organized athletics to improve their selfesteem and grades at school.