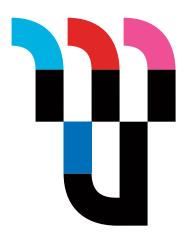
MOVEUNITED

Empowering Community



2024 Impact Report





Move United uses the power of sport to push what's possible for people with disabilities, confronting ignorance, fueling conversation, and inciting action that leads us to a world where everyone's included.

Vision & Mission



Our Vision

Every person, regardless of ability, has an equal opportunity to participate in sports and recreation in their community.

Our Mission

Provide national leadership and opportunities for individuals with disabilities to develop independence, confidence, and fitness through participation in community sports, including competition, recreation and educational programs.

We empower 125,000 youth and adults with disabilities each year to live to their fullest potential through a network of over 240 member organizations in 45 states.



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Sports Make Us More

During 2024, the USA and the rest of the world had the opportunity to watch adaptive athletes compete at the Summer Paralympic Games in Paris. Of the 225 athletes and guides that represented Team USA there, 141 (63%) of them have participated in a Move United program, event, or local member organization activity. Notably, this included Ezra Frech, who won two gold medals and is a co-founder of Angel City Sports, a Move United member organization. It was an honor to represent Move United at the opening ceremonies in Paris, and every person associated with Move United was incredibly proud of our athletes.

We are considered the pipeline to the Paralympics where athletes start their journey at a local chapter or attend one of our events. Through our membership network and our events, athletes are able to train, see others strive for excellence, and benefit from a sense of community. Through our educational programs and our grants and other resources, they are equipped to succeed. We know that not every adaptive athlete wants to compete at that level, but all of our athletes want to participate, learn, and be a part of a growing community. They want to participate in sports and recreational activities to stay healthy, both physically and mentally, and just to have fun. Move United continues to provide these opportunities to individuals of all ages and levels, including our injured warfighters who participate in our Move United Warfighters program.

The next Summer Paralympics Games in 2028 will be hosted in Los Angeles. Through our Vision 2028 plan, Move United and its member chapters have been working hard over the past several years to be ready for these Games in the USA. We stand ready to serve and support anyone who has a disability and wants to enjoy the transformative power of sports. And because of you and your support, we will.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I am pleased to share our 2024 Move United Impact Report. I thank you for helping us transform the lives of the people we proudly serve.

Sincerely,

Eric Kuwana, Board Chair

Power of Sport

After five years of continued growth, in 2024 Move United turned our attention to connection.

We launched our new individual membership program where a person with a disability or anyone connected with the movement can join Move United to take advantage of the array of training and education, volunteer opportunities, grants, and other resources, and information. From a family member or caregiver to an adaptive sports provider or medical professional we seek to connect the entire adaptive sports community. Signing up is easy, and individuals can become a member at no cost to them.

Since the program's launch, 2,700+ individuals have joined Move United with more than \$220,000 in grants dispersed for equipment, training and development. Our network grew, reaching 240 community-based adaptive sports organizations and 125,000 youth and adults with disabilities who engage and compete in over 70 different adaptive sports. Almost 83% of the US population is now within a one-hour drive of a member location and we are well on our way to meeting our goal of 90% by 2028.

The success and health of our members is interdependent on strengthening the infrastructure to support them and in 2024 Move United:

- Drove \$3.03 million in grants to support 101 member organizations to run more than 240 events and programs
- Exposed The Inclusive Playbook to nearly 1,000 teachers and 45,00 youth, confronting stereotypes and changing perspective
- Grew our Sanctioned Competitions by 25% to 34 competitive events in 24 states
- Enriched our movement's knowledge with 258 in-person education sessions/clinics totaling 5,258 hours of adaptive sports training to 1,126 leaders
- Opened accessibility to 4,726 users via 52 online courses in the Move United Education Hub

2024 was a tremendous year as we deepened connections among our community and elevated adaptive sports in America. I invite each of you to explore your role in how to ensure everyone has access to sport. Thank you for being a part of this movement!

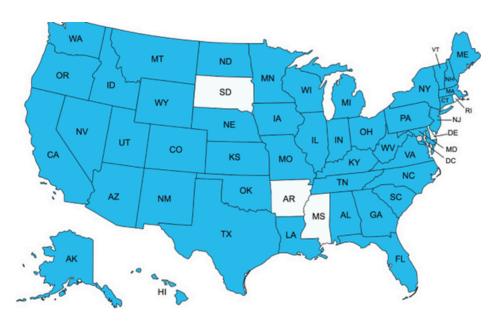
Sincerely,



Building Community

Collaboration and partnerships: 240+ Move United member organizations operate in the 45 states. Grants per state listed.

Alaska





\$3.03 Million granted101 Member organizations41 States\$21k Average grant

Alaska	\$3,300
Alabama	\$35,000
Arizona	\$118,500
California	\$179,047
Colorado	\$269,451
Connecticut	\$113,932
Florida	\$139,215
Georgia	\$8,500
Hawaii	\$8,000
Iowa	\$12,000
Idaho	\$19,000
Illinois	\$155,250
Indiana	\$32,155
Kansas	\$5,000
Louisiana	\$45,000
Massachusetts	\$41,000
Maryland	\$136,422
Maine	\$3,500
Minnesota	\$77,000
Missouri	\$172,250
Montana	\$5,000

\$5,500

North Carolina	\$19,000
New Hampshire	\$93,990
New Jersey	\$14,000
New Mexico	\$5,000
Nevada	\$71,183
New York	\$107,307
Ohio	\$85,500
Oklahoma	\$23,500
Oregon	\$54,683
Pennsylvania	\$44,000
South Carolina	\$55,000
Tennessee	\$22,183
Texas	\$143,000
Utah	\$27,000
Virginia	\$56,307
Vermont	\$18,000
Washington	\$25,507
Wisconsin	\$32,500
West Virginia	\$18,625
Wyoming	\$5,000
National	\$359,405

Join the Movement

Empowering the adaptive sports community one member at a time

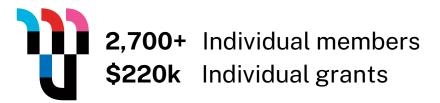
In 2024, Move United expanded its national, multisport individual membership program for athletes of all abilities as part of our efforts to unify the adaptive sports movement to more than 2,700 individual members.

The Move United Individual Member network includes athletes, medical providers, parents, family members, coaches, teachers, researchers, students, and other enthusiasts, who are passionate about enhancing and fostering the continued growth of adaptive and inclusive sports and recreation.

Membership fosters a sense of community, and serves as a hub for adaptive and inclusive sports and recreation resources, equipment and travel grants, education, and discounts. Whether you are looking to discover a new sport or get connected to the adaptive sports community, as a member, you have access to a range of direct and ancillary benefits to support your adaptive sports and recreation needs.

Become a member today: <u>moveunitedsport.org/membership-level/individual/</u>





Competition Builds Character

The excitement of competition available to more adaptive athletes and communities

In 2024 Move United's Sanctioned Competition Series featured 34 competitions events in 24 states, reaching 2,311 unique athletes through 19 summer sports. This year marked a 50% growth in athlete participation, representing 46 states and 16 international countries. Move United Sanctioned Competitions are among the best adaptive multi-sport competitive events in the U.S., sanctioned by Move United and National Governing Bodies. This year, the Next Generation Mentorship Program launched for experienced adaptive sports leaders to pass on their knowledge to future leaders.

Each year, the Move United Sanctioned Competition Series culminates in The Hartford Nationals. This year, The Hartford Nationals, the nation's largest multisport, multi disability national championship event for athletes with a disability, expanded to include adults. Nearly 400 athletes from 35 states and 42 Move United member organizations competed in seven sports and participated in ten clinics during the weeklong event, which has been running since 1957.

Learn more: <u>moveunitedsport.org/competitions</u>





Athletes Competitions States represented

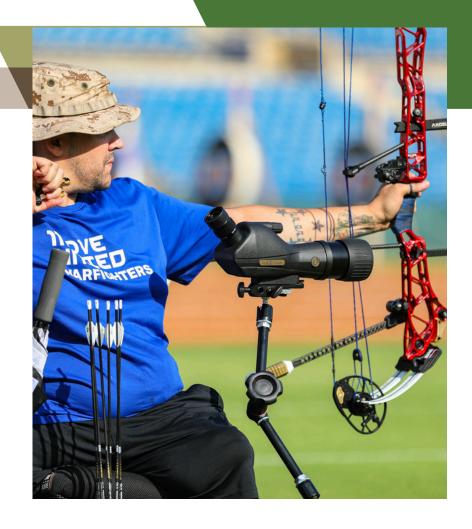
MOVE UNITED WARFIGHTERS

As the nation's leading provider of adaptive sports to wounded warfighters, Move United continues to develop and expand programming to support wounded, injured and ill veterans and service members. This year, the Move United Warfighters program served over 1,470 unique warfighters through over 130 adaptive sports programs held around the country. Since 2003, over 20,860 Warfighters, family and military have been served.

In addition to increased participation in community programs and events and the USA Adaptive Shooting League, Golf Program, and The Hartford Nationals, this year, there was 66% increase in Warfighter participation in Move United Sanctioned Competitions and 87% increase in USA Wheelchair Football League. Thanks to the VA Sport for Vets Grants, \$1.4 million in funding supported 97 member organization programs and events plus 26 training projects in 16 sports with 33 partners.

Warfighter Ambassadors provided a range of sports and programmatic support, including event logistics, outreach, sports mentorship, and sponsor relations.

Learn more: <u>moveunitedsport.org/warfighters</u>





Education is the Future

Investing in adaptive sports training

Move United's Education Hub is an online platform that provides essential training for the adaptive sports community. This accessible learning system doubled its offerings to 52 courses, empowering 4,726 people to enhance their skills and commitment to the industry.

In-person training was offered through 258 sessions/clinics totaling 5,258 hours of training in adaptive sports, nonprofit management, inclusion to 1,126 people individuals across 35+ events, including The Hartford Ski Spectacular and in partnership with various organizations, including National Federation of State High School Associations, USA Archery and the American Canoe Association, and Professional Ski Instructors of America-American Association of Snowboard Instructors.

The 2024 Move United Education Conference (EdCon), themed Expanding Access to Sport gathered 355 participants in Phoenix, AZ. EdCon doubled its offerings through 132 hours of education content in 73 training sessions and inspired attendees to foster inclusion and access in sports, with nearly 50% being new to Move United's programs.

Learn more: moveunitedsport.org/education





Trained
Sessions/clinics
Hours of training
Web-based courses

School Inclusive Playbook

Fueling conversation through education

Move United's Inclusive Playbook materials, a one-of-a-kind tool promoting inclusion in the classroom continued to increase its reach to nearly 45,000 new kids. To date, more than 220,000 kids have been reached.

The Inclusive Playbook is a free, 24 page, interactive workbook created for children in pre-K through 6th grade focusing on disability awareness and adaptive sport. It is accompanied by a two page interactive Inclusive Playmat for early understanding and learning.

In 2024, nearly 897 copies of the playbook was circulated online and in person at conferences including SHAPE National, Power of Play, National Adapted Physical Education Conference, National Recreation and Parks Association and more events, exposing over 12,000 people to the power of inclusion.

Learn more at: moveunitedsport.org/education/inclusive-playbook/





45,000 Kids educated897 Playbooks circulated

Get in the Game

Wheelchair football continues to expand

The USA Wheelchair Football League (USAWFL) impacted 690 athletes on 14 teams competing in three regional tournaments leading to the national championship. This growth included 241 warfighter football players. This year an approved classification system for teams was implemented.

The USAWFL is the first of its kind football league for adults with disabilities to reach their highest potential through a competitive, fast-paced, team sport. The league brings together highly trained coaches with passionate athletes, building skills and inspiring athletes to excel both on and off the field through teamwork, dedication, and resilience. Founded in 2019, the USAWFL is made possible thanks to generous support from the NFL-Bob Woodruff Foundation Salute to Service partnership "Healthy Lifestyles and Creating Community" grant.

Since 2020, Move United has helped more than 1,625 athletes and coaches get off the sidelines and get in the game through learn-to-play clinics, practice and development opportunities, camps, scrimmages and tournaments.

Get in the game: www.usawfl.org





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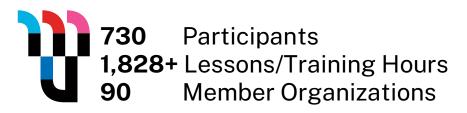
Sharing the stoke in Breckenridge, Colorado

Move United hosted the 38th annual The Hartford Ski Spectacular brought together 730 participants from novices experiencing the thrill of adaptive skiing, snowboarding, Nordic and biathlon for the first time to elite adaptive athletes, instructors and volunteers. This year, over 450 lessons and race training, totaling 1,500+hours were provided to 156 athletes, including 58 warfighters and family members from hospitals and communities across the U.S. also joined in the winter fun. 328 hours of education were offered through 88 clinics to 144 instructors.

During the event, The Hartford and Paralympian Keith Gabel, surprised 15 deserving athletes with custom-fit adaptive sports equipment. This was the culmination of a year that saw The Hartford give more than 2,315 pieces of sports equipment to Move United member organizations and athletes, including 55 surprise equipment donations.

The event also featured a collaboration with the town's Ullr Fest, where Move United participated with a float in the annual parade and hosted the Race for everyBODY at Breckenridge Ski Resort, an inclusive race that welcomed both adaptive athletes and the general public, uniting athletes of all abilities in a shared love for winter sports.

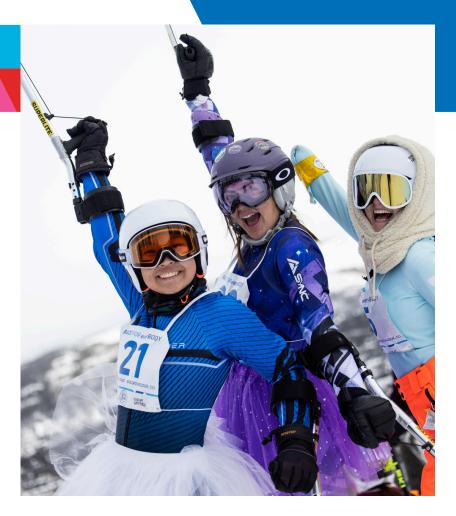




Athlete Highlight

Athlete Cecile Brown, 16 years old: Skiing is about community.

She started skiing at age six with her family in Auburn with Central Maine Adaptive Sports, a Move United member organization. Born with Proximal Femoral Focal Deficiency, Cecile had her foot amoutated around the age of four and had her knee fused when she was seven. She originally tried to ski wearing her prosthetic but realized three tracking was a better option. She went on to to ski with Maine Adaptive Sports, another Move United member organization, where she has also joined the program's race team and is a proud to be mentor for younger skiers to help them reach their potential. Cecile has also started skiing with her high school team, where she is the only adaptive racer, and there is of interest in being more inclusive and building a strong foundation for the program. After attending her first The Hartford Ski Spectacular race camp in 2022, she found yet another place to become a better ski racer while expanding her community and make connections. Her goal is to compete in the 2030 Winter Paralympic Games. When she is not skiing, competing in field events, playing golf, listening to music, and taking photos.

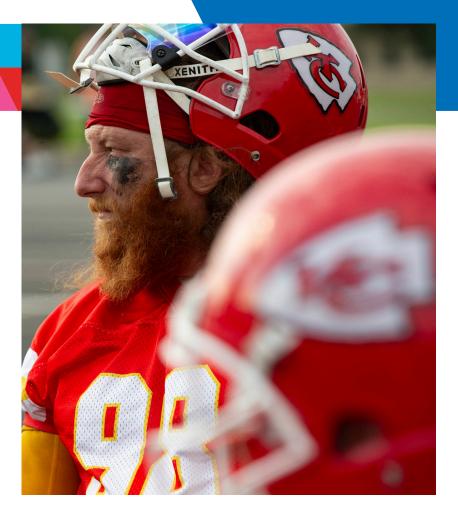




Athlete Highlights

Warfighter Ambassador Matthew "Lion" Scholten: Hooked by the community.

Scholten had a calling to join the Army for 20 years. He was deployed to Iraq, where he was injured and sustained a spinal cord injury due to an improvised explosive device. While he grew up a "theater kid" sports gave Scholten his freedom back. When the USA Wheelchair Football League was forming back in 2020, Scholten learned about a local team forming through his local VA. He showed up for a practice of the Kansas City Chiefs Wheelchair Football Team hosted by Midwest Adaptive Sports, a Move United member organization, and was hooked by the community. Like the Army, he says everyone has a role and if everyone does their role well they will win. The team won the first tournament and brought home the trophy the first season and they have played the championship every year (so far). Outside of sports, Scholten enjoys spending time with his fiancé.





By the Numbers

Assets

Current Assets

Cash & Cash Equivalents

Accounts Receivable

Other Current Assets

Total Current Assets

Other Assets

Property, Plant & Equipment

Total Assets

\$5,186,002

\$ 1,411,823

\$ 63,554

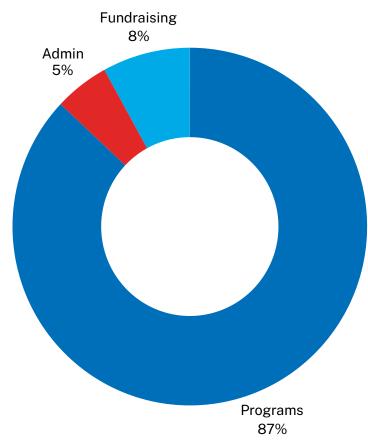
\$6,661,379

\$ 356,174

\$150,830

\$7,168,383

Expenses



87 cents of every dollar is dedicated to programs

By the Numbers

Income \$8,979,790

Expenses

Warfighters \$ 1,298,877

Competitions \$1,121,461

Member Services \$ 1,396,591

Education \$ 760,381

General Programming \$3,646,678

Administration \$456,005

Fundraising \$709,413

Total Expenses \$ 9,389,406













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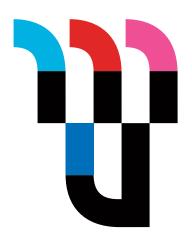
Through a national three-year partnership, Gatorade is empowering youth athletes with disabilities to realize their potential through adaptive sports. Gatorade is providing funding and products that support youth-centered adaptive sports programming and education through Move United and its member network in nine states.

Kuwana, Eric

Larsen, Chris



For more than three decades, The Hartford has been a leading supporter in the adaptive sports movement, breaking down barriers and making adaptive sports more accessible to individuals with disabilities across the nation. The Hartford has committed \$3.5 million over three years to increase participation in adaptive sport around the country, through support of adaptive sports organizations, adaptive summer sports competitions and individual athlete equipment grants. In the past seven years, The Hartford has donated more than 7,500 pieces of adaptive sports equipment in more than 75 communities nationwide, reaching more than 55,000 individuals with disabilities.





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