PlayOUT Foundation Annual Report 2018

The PlayOUT Foundation is a non-profit dedicated to creating outdoor play and learning environments for children.



PlayOUT Foundation Vision

We envision a world where people young and old come together to learn and play outdoors, where everything is filtered through the lens of equity, and where our interactions are infused with compassion, kindness, and a deep understanding of the natural world, ourselves, and others.







PlayOUT Foundation 2018 Highlights

Fundraisers. We participated in two fundraisers - both for the first time - this year: Giving Tuesday and GiveBIG. We were in awe of the big-hearted, generous contributions each time, all of which went to support our scholarship fund.

Family Gatherings. We look forward each year to renewing our connection to rhythm of the seasons and strengthening our bonds to community through special family gatherings.

Fall Field Trip. We met at Bob's Corn and Pumpkin Farm for hay rides, getting lost in the corn maze, playing super big games of Connect 4, savoring fresh donuts, and picking out pumpkins to take home. It was delightful to travel around the farm with friends and run into friendly faces everywhere we went.

Winter Solstice Celebration. We settled into the darkest night and subsequent turning toward the light in the company of good friends and a bonfire at St. Edward State Park.

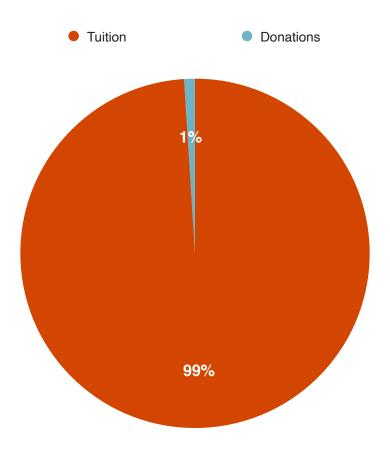
Spring Equinox Celebration. We marked the new beginnings ushered in by spring with a hike at St. Edward State Park followed by a potluck picnic. Moving through the park together gave us an opportunity to slow down and observe signs of spring and contemplate growth and becoming as we enjoyed each other's company.

End of Year Celebration. We celebrated the joy of another year of playing and learning in the forest with a family picnic at St. Edward State Park. This gathering gave us the opportunity to reflect on the joys and challenges of the past year and on how much we have all learned and grown.

Family Camping Trip. We played, rested, and strengthened connections at Birch Bay State Park during our annual family camping trip in June. There was the rocky beach, the wonder and discovery of low tide, and being under the starry night sky with friends new and old.

PlayOUT Foundation 2018 Financial Report

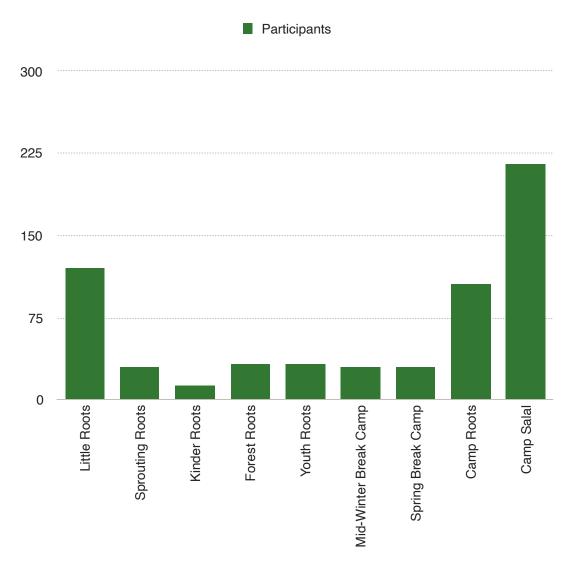
Our main source of income in 2018 was tuition. We diversified our income source this year by participating in two fundraisers.



Income by source

PlayOUT Foundation 2018 Participation

PlayOUT Foundation programs serve a range of ages year round. The graph below represents 448 young people and 1778 hours playing and learning outdoors in community and in harmony with the natural world.



Participation by program

PlayOUT Foundation 2018 Gratitude

Our work outdoors would not be possible without the heart, knowledge, and dedication of our teachers, families, and board members. Thank you to everyone who saw value in our mission and came along with us outside in all weather and all year round. We are grateful to each and every one of you. Everyone is so needed in the work of build strong and healthy communities. We could not do this without you.