

Educating, supporting and advocating for the bleeding disorders community of Wisconsin

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To Our Supporters



We are so grateful for your ongoing support and think you'll be proud of what you helped us accomplish in 2018-19 as we focused on growth, celebration and advocacy.

Your donations made many new programs possible over the past two years, including a Men's Retreat; College, Career and Independence Workshop; Bleeder and a Buddy; and Common Grounds coffee sessions. One Men's

Retreat participant shared, "I am not a person who really texts, emails, calls or uses social media, but I would respond to every one of these men if they reached out to me."

Kids and adults alike celebrated Camp Klotty Pine turning five! Since 2015 nearly 200 children have benefitted from the unique experiences we have offered. We watched three young adults complete the Leaders-In-Training program and we saw two counselors succeed. We also moved our camp location bringing us home to Camp Turning Rivers, where Family Camp started in 2011 (then called Camp Matawa).

Wisconsin Legislative Day expanded to a two-day program with storytelling training for all advocates. At the State Capitol we asked for support of a Step Therapy bill aimed at insuring that all Wisconsin patients have access to medications and a clear appeal process. Governor Evers signed the bill into law in July 2019 and it went into effect November 1, 2019. We then headed to Washington D.C. to educate federal lawmakers about bleeding disorders.

One advocate shared, "The training I received from the GLHF in telling my story, as a mother of two sons with severe hemophilia, was invaluable. It empowered me to go from just a mom to an effective advocate for our community at a state and national level. My youngest son and I were also selected to represent Wisconsin in Washington, D.C. We both felt like we got to make a difference by telling our story to educate our lawmakers about hemophilia and issues important to our community. It was wonderful to see the impact that we as individuals affected by hemophilia can make."

Be proud of your contributions! Thank you for your belief in our mission. We will continue to educate, support and advocate. We can't do it without you.

Danielle Leitner Baxter

Executive Director

INCREASED IMPACT

Wisconsin Legislative Day

31 in 2019 18 in 2018



College, Career & **Independence Workshop**

32 - NEW IN 2019



Amish Clinic Day

132 in 2019

Youth Campers

44 in 2019

29 in 2018



Camp Leaders-In-Training

4 in 2019

3 in 2018



29% more participants

792 in 2019 614 in 2018



Family Camp

30 in 2019



Wisconsin Bleeding Disorders Conference

298 in 2019

273 in 2018



Bleeder And a Buddy

12 - NEW IN 2019



Community Night

100 in 2019

69 in 2018





Family Camp, originally focused on exposing new families to the benefits of camp, has expanded to offer mentorship, connection and support.



"Bringing us together for a Men's Retreat allows us to connect and bond over our current needs. We are the first generation of people living with hemophilia to have a normal life expectancy." Our Men's Retreat, inaugurated in 2018, was so popular we repeated it in 2019.



Camp Klotty Pine's Leader-In-Training Program helps former campers move into camp leadership positions. The skills they learn not only build competent counselors, but also ambitious leaders for the future.



Kids living with a bleeding disorder could bring a friend to swing, hang upside down, sit and enjoy the treetop views while sharing what life with a bleeding disorder is like in our new Bleeder & A Buddy program.

In 2019, Camp Klotty Pine moved to a new home at Camp Turning Rivers, where our campers continued to make once-in-a-lifetime memories. At camp, children develop confidence, independence and build life-long friendships and memories while they swim, canoe, hike, and learn outdoor skills. Camp is also a place of encouragement, mentoring, and education for kids learning to self-infuse and enhance their role in self-care, a skill essential for life.

PROGRAMS & ADVOCACY

"A major part of our experience in attending [the conference] has been the people we've met. It was a great opportunity to connect with others," said one attendee of our Wisconsin Bleeding Disorders Conference. "As we raise our two boys, who both have severe hemophilia A, questions and topics are ever-changing. It was a great atmosphere to connect with other people, ask questions, discuss topics and learn new things. It has made me grateful, all over again, to be part of this community."



Our new Common Grounds Community Coffee events brought together people living with a bleeding disorder at a local coffee shop to share experiences and connect over a cup of joe.



We expanded our Wisconsin Legislative Day to a two-day program in 2019, and also participated in advocacy efforts organized by the National Hemophilia Foundation in Washington, D.C. Volunteers and staff of GLHF met with legislators and staff to discuss federal bleeding disorders programs and ensure access to insurance. When asked by one advocate, Beth, why she thought it was important to attend Washington Days she said, "Hemophilia is so rare that most of our legislators don't realize the care and costs associated with staying healthy. The people I met with were shocked at the high cost of factor and were unaware how specialized our treatments are."

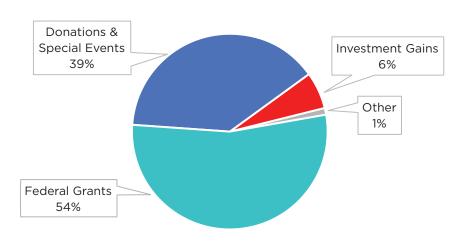


Youth living with a bleeding disorder get help applying for scholarships from GLHF and also from the National Hemophilia Foundation. Scholarships ensure access to educational opportunities that will enhance their lives and prepare them to become self-sufficient and productive members of the workforce.

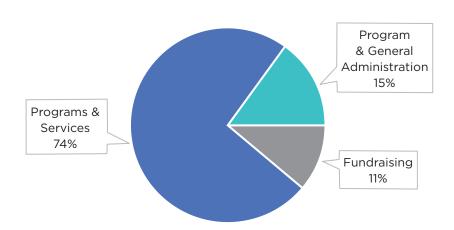


Financial Highlights for the Year Ending Sep 30, 2019

REVENUES



EXPENSES



Federal Grants	\$ 872,640
Donations & Special Events	633,860
Investment Gains	97,687
Other	15,288
TOTAL	\$ 1,619,47
EXPENSES	
Programs & Services	\$ 1,168,508
Program & General Administration	239,298
Fundraising	165,18
TOTAL	\$ 1,572,989
Change in net assets	\$ 46,486
Net assets at beginning of year	\$ 2,114,099
Net assets at end of year	\$ 2,160,58

The information presented above is drawn from GLHF's financial statements audited by WIPFLi.

They are available upon request.

INCREASED CONTRIBUTIONS = MORE LIVES CHANGED

THE UNITE FOR BLEEDING DISORDERS WALK provides our advocates an opportunity to rally the support of their families and friends on behalf of people with bleeding disorders in Wisconsin.

Our walkers put in many hours of hard work to build their walk teams, host fundraisers, send out letters and follow up with donors to help us reach our fundraising goals.

It all paid off on the day of the walk, when nearly 400 walkers of all ages converged on the Milwaukee County Zoo and created an atmosphere of powerful energy that raised \$71,500.





OUR FIRST-EVER MADISON'S BEST BLOODY™ was held in 2018 and returned in 2019. Both events enjoyed the support of ten local bars and restaurants as bartenders faced off to showcase their signature Bloody Mary recipes.

MILWAUKEE CONTINUED to host its own Best Bloody™ event. In 2019 more than 700 supporters raised more than \$50,000 as eleven area bars and restaurants competed for the title of Milwaukee's Best Bloody.

SO SUCCESSFUL have our events become that GLHF spoke about them at the National Hemophilia Foundation conference.

To the individuals, organizations and community partners who advance our work throughout Wisconsin

THANK YOU



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