



#### **DEAR FRIENDS,**

Park City's junior competitive athletes spent hundreds of hours — if not thousands — working toward their goals last season. During that same time, nearly 1,400 students learned new sports and healthy-living skills through our after-school programs. The abrupt end to after-school programs, training, and postseason competition is not how we envisioned 2020 unfolding. Yet, there are so many accomplishments to celebrate and meaningful growth to reflect upon during our most recent fiscal year.

- Registrations for YSA after-school programs were headed to another record
  when the school year was cut short. 1356 young people participated in Get Out &
  Play and ACTiV8 during an abbreviated school year, despite cancelling 24 classes
  representing 350 registrations.
- JANS Winter Welcome netted \$208,693 for our seven partner winter sport teams. We raised an additional \$30,000 along with our teams through Live PC Give PC, our community's annual 24-hours of giving hosted by the Park City Community Foundation.
- Despite Covid-19, YSA provided a record \$128,200 in need-based assistance to 101 athletes for travel, training and post-season competition.

During these unique and challenging times, each week brings a different set of new normals. Despite these obstacles, we are planning and preparing for the future. More than ever before, our local youth need opportunities to play outside, try new things, fall down and get back up. Through support from you and careful oversight from our board of trustees, we are financially prepared to run programs, support our local winter sport teams, and provide need-based scholarships throughout the coming year. Because of you, we are ready to continue our tradition of giving every child the opportunity to *play*, *learn*, *dream*.

Sincerely,

Emily S. Fisher, YSA Executive Director Trace Worthington, YSA Board President

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## MISSION & VISION

The Youth Sports Alliance (YSA) was established following the 2002 Salt Lake City Olympics to spearhead a community effort to increase the number of children participating in winter sports programs in Summit and Wasatch Counties.

The MISSION of the YSA is to provide athletic opportunities and healthy activities for our youth community by awarding scholarships, promoting sportsmanship and creating respectful competition.

The **VISION** of the YSA is to lead youth in our community by providing athletic opportunities and active lifestyles.

### THREE FOCUS AREAS

AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS:
Get Out & Play and ACTiV8

SUPPORT FOR SEVEN LOCAL WINTER SPORTS TEAMS

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR JUNIOR ATHLETES





Figure Skating Club of Park City

Park City Ice Miners

Park City Ski & Snowboard

Park City Speed Skating Club

Utah Olympic Park Skeleton & Bobsled

Wasatch Freestyle

Wasatch Luge Club



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ENDOWMENT

## AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS





The Youth Sports Alliance (YSA) introduces kids to sports and inspires them to keep moving throughout their lives. More than a decade ago, YSA launched an after-school, learn-to-ski and snowboard program open to students attending Park City School District elementary schools. Our programming is now scheduled throughout the school year providing sports and healthy-lifestyle classes such as cross-country skiing, ski jumping, mountain biking, healthy cooking, photography and 30 other options to 1st through 9th grade students attending 13 Summit County schools, up from five schools just four years ago. Wasatch County schools will join our programs during the 2020/21 school year.

At the YSA, we believe that the experiences shared on the slopes and trails among children of different races, genders, incomes, and abilities, translates to friendships on the playground. One in five students in Park City receives free or reduced lunch at school. We work hard to ensure that our underserved communities can enjoy the wonders that Park City has to offer. We are leading a unique community collaboration that brings together 68 nonprofits and businesses, along with dozens of granting organizations, and hundreds of volunteers to provide opportunities for our community's children to grow, learn, and move. These programs give working parents peace of mind knowing that their children are in a safe, supervised environment after school.



2019

\*Before COVID cancellations









### Get Out & Play (GO&P)

At the elementary school level, YSA fills the important 'learn-to' sports niche by providing access to affordable group sports lessons. Offerings include: skiing, snowboarding, ice skating, mountain biking, and more to keep kids active while providing supervision after school. Scholarships and equipment are provided to allow low-income students to participate.

### **26 Programs offered**

**Action Sports** Alpine Skiing

Alpine Snowboarding

Bouldering

**Cross Country** 

Figure Skating

Freestyle Snowboarding

Freestyle Skiing

Hockey

Ice Skating

Luge

**Mountain Biking** 

**Nordic Jumping** 

**Outdoor Adventure Skills** 

Speed Skating

Triathlon

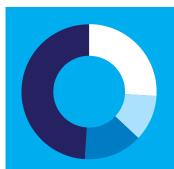




#### Participation by **Ethnicity**

0.6% African American 1.5% Caucasian 74.81% LatinX 13.30% Two or more 6.53% Other 3.26%





#### Participation by Household Income

\$50.000 or less \$51,000-\$85,000

\$86,000-\$109,000

Yoga

13.72% \$110,000+

48.88%

25.91%

11.49%

#### **ACTIV8**

This program offers introductory sport classes, as well as healthy lifestyle activities and art enrichment for middle school and junior high students. This programming was developed by YSA in conjunction with school administrators, students and community members to offer classes for older ages such as biathlon, photography, and cooking.

### 64 Programs offered

**Action Sports** Arts: Glass Blowing Arts: Glass Fusion

Arts: Painting

Arts: Photography Arts: Pottery

Arts: Welding

Arts: Intro to Film

Arts: Musical Theater **Athletic Republic** 

Biathlon

**Bike Mechanics 101** 

Boulderina

Cooking to Heal Body & Mind Cooking with a Pro Athlete

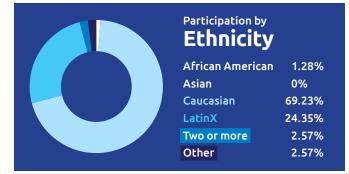
**CPR** 

**Cross Country** Curling Free Snowboarding Freeski Luge

**Mountain Biking Moves Conditioning** Nordic Jumping

**Pickleball** Rise Boxina

Rowina Self Defense Skeleton Teen Iron Chef Triathlon Videography Woodward Park & Pipe Woodward Multi Sport







#### Participation by Household Income

\$50.000 or less 35.18% \$51,000-\$85,000 12.96% \$86,000-\$109,000 9.27% \$110.000+ 42.59%



## OUR PARTNER WINTER SPORT TEAMS



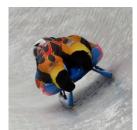












### **Funding Our Teams**

\$208,623 disbursed to YSA-affiliated winter sports teams through earnings from JANS Winter Welcome. This event was founded 40 years ago to benefit the Park City Ski Team. In 2003 the event expanded its beneficiaries to include all YSA-affiliated winter sports teams.



### **YSA Supports Seven Winter Sport Teams:**

Figure Skating Club of Park City

Park City Ice Miners

Park City Ski & Snowboard

Park City Speed Skating Club

**Utah Olympic Park Skeleton & Bobsled** 

Wasatch Freestyle

Wasatch Luge Club









### **Live PC Give PC 2019**

Over \$30,000 raised by YSA & member teams through the Park City Community Foundation's Live PC Give PC Day of Giving event. YSA finished at the top of our leaderboard earning a \$1,250 bonus.



## CIRCLE OF EXCELLENCE AWARDS



YSA also hosts the **Circle of Excellence Awards** each year to honor top athletic accomplishments by local winter-sport athletes as well as present awards recognizing leadership, sportsmanship and other superlatives. Some highlights include:

AWARD	<b>2019 RECIPIENT</b>
SPIRIT OF SERVICE AWARD honors and recognizes a great individual or corporation who has contributed time, talent, and support to the Youth Sports Alliance.	Richard Sheinberg
HALL OF FAME AWARD honors and recognizes great athletes or coaches in our community, while also recognizing outstanding achievement in life after sport.	Maddy Olsen & Dar Hendrickson
<b>LEADERSHIP AWARD</b> recognizes the individual(s) who made a significant impact on their teammates.	Stephen Schumann, Park City Ski & Snowboard Nordic
SAM JACKENTHAL SHOWSTOPPER OF THE YEAR recognizes exceptional moments during the previous year that left a lasting memory.	Lauren Macuga, Park City Ski & Snowboard Alpine
SPIRIT OF SPORT AWARD honors to an athlete who demonstrates the exceptional qualities that truly reflect the spirit of sport.	Lane Myshrall, Park City Ski & Snowboard Nordic

YSA also presents more than 100 awards to local athletes representing the top 5% in achievement for each team. ALL-STAR AWARD athletes are honored for exceptional success in local/regional competitions. CHAMPION AWARD athletes are honored for achievement at international or national competitions. See ysaparkcity.org/COE2019 for the full list of award winners.







## **SCHOLARSHIPS** FOR JUNIOR ATHLETES

### **Grooming Dreams**

\$128,200 in need-based training funds was distributed to 101 athletes training with seven YSA-member teams during the 2019/20 season.





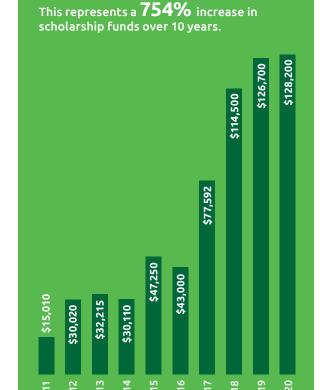














In 2014, YSA launched a fundraising campaign spearheaded by Jim Gaddis and Stein Eriksen to establish an endowment to provide Park City's youth with financial support to chase their dreams. Within two years, more than \$2,000,000 was set aside with the specific purpose to help deserving youth in our community participate in the sports they love. This year, YSA gave \$128,200 in needbased funding to 101 athletes.

In addition to need-based funding for competitive athletes, YSA awards scholarships for collegebound athletes through Park City High School's Community Scholarship program. This year, Aden Lawson was tapped by YSA to receive a \$3,000 scholarship that will help him pursue a degree in Finance at the University of Oregon. Aden credits his training with Park City Ski & Snowboard with teaching him "the virtue of mental toughness and grit."



Aden Lawson, PCSS alum



Jim Gaddis and Stein Eriksen



**Grooming Dreams Building Futures** 

ATHLETE PROFILE

### Sydney Staples Johnson — A Portrait of Success



"I can't express enough gratitude to the people who helped me to keep following my dreams. Without a scholarship from YSA at that really hard time in my life, things would have been so different for me."



Back in 2008, YSA invested in a teenager's dreams at a key point in her ski racing career. Sydney Staples Johnson lost her father, the family's breadwinner, over the summer. The family was forced to move out of Park City, while her mother went back to work to provide for Sydney and her four siblings. At the time, Sydney wasn't sure she would be able to afford to return to skiing.

YSA provided Sydney with a scholarship to help keep her training with the Park City Ski Team, now Park City Ski & Snowboard. Through her continued ski racing, Sydney earned a spot on the US Ski Team and then a full ride to the University of New Mexico. She credits ski racing with helping her to meet her husband, Anders Johnson, a Nordic jumper on the US team, now a coach, and get started in her career. She returned to Park City after university to work in the ski industry.



### HOW YOU CAN HELP



### YSA needs volunteers for our events and programs.

It may mean helping with registration at JANS Winter Welcome or riding a bus with students to an after-school program. Please email admin@ysaparkcity.org or call the YSA office at 435.214.0792.

#### Support the Stein Eriksen YSA Opportunity Endowment

Help a kid pursue his dreams as a ski racer or her dreams to land a double axel. Your contribution to the Stein Eriksen YSA Opportunity Endowment provides financial assistance to athletes enrolled in Youth Sports Alliance (YSA) partner teams.

Donate online at **ysaparkcity.org** or contact Jana Dalton at **jdalton@ysaparkcity.org** for other options like planned giving, payment plans, or donation of appreciated assets.

#### Register Your Smith's/Kroger Card

Did you know you can support the Youth Sports Alliance just by shopping at any grocery store in the Kroger family of Grocery Stores? Visit Smith's Inspiring Donations online to enroll.



#### Shop on Amazon

AmazonSmile is operated by Amazon, with the same products, prices, and shopping features as Amazon.com. When you shop on AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to the charitable organization of your choice. Visit Smile.Amazon.com and choose to support YSA.





# YSA ON THE WORLD STAGE:



#### **IN THE 2019-20 SEASON**

Current and alumni athletes from YSA-affiliated programs earned nominations to US National Teams

Athletes named to US National Teams received need-based training funding from the Stein Eriksen YSA Opportunity Endowment

12 Get Out & Play Alumni named to 2019/20 US National Teams

Park City, Utah

YSA-affiliated winter-sport teams consistently produce some of the top athletes in the United States and the world. Each May, we announce our Homegrown Champions team made up of athletes named to US National teams who train(ed) with YSA-supported winter sports teams. In 2019, 38 current and alumni athletes from YSA-affiliated programs earned nominations to US National teams. YSA's after-school program often proves to be the first step in these athletes' journeys. Of the 38 athletes, 12 participated in YSA's Get Out & Play programs back in elementary school. Also, seven nominees received funding from the Stein Eriksen YSA Opportunity Endowment.





\*\* Asatch Freestyle Wasatch Freestyle

Wasatch Luge Club

Figure Skating Club of Park City

Park City School District













## **HOMEGROWN CHAMPIONS** 2019-2020

#### **ALPINE SKIING**

Ted Ligety ARC past W JANS Steve Nyman APC

Lauren Macuga APC Desc W JANS

Alix Wilkinson /PC @ pose JANS

#### FREESKIING/SLOPESTYLE

Joss Christensen

Alex Hall **PC** 

Marin Hamill APC pose W JANS

Rell Harwood

Julia Krass /PC

Colby Stevenson / Cosc W

Maggie Voisin **IR** 

#### FREESTYLE/AERIALS

Kaila Kuhn **APC** 

Megan Smallhouse APC

Winter Vinecki /PC

#### FREESTYLE/MOGULS

Sabrina Cass Nessa Dziemian 🗚 🤲

Nick Page

Brad Wilson

#### SNOWBOARD/SLOPESTYLE

Jade Thurgood **IPC** 💮

#### **SNOWBOARDCROSS**

Mikey LaCroix **APC** Livia Molodyh **PC** 

#### **CROSS-COUNTRY**

Rosie Brennan / C CCC

#### NORDIC COMBINED

Jared Shumate **APC** W

Stephen Schumann **IPC** 

#### NORDIC JUMPING

Rachael Haerter /PC | W JANS Sarah Hendrickson /PC pose W

Jillian Highfill 🗚 🔋 📦

Paige Jones APC posc

Sam Macuga 🗚 🔋 😅 ₩

Greyson Scharrfs 🖟 👸 📖 🔌

#### SPEED SKATING

Casey Dawson 🚑 🔋 🕰 JANS

Will Valentine (2 post JANS)

Lindsey Woodbury (2) I Park W JANS







#### LUGE

Brittney Arndt 🥙 🔋

Delaney Amendola-Duncan 🥳 🌣 🏮 🔤 📦 🔊

Ashley Farquharson 🤣 🙌 🔋 😅



Matthew Greiner 🤣 🍅 🔋 🚾 🔊

Roy (Chet) Smith 🧖 📳













# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

