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2024-2025 IMPACT REPORT

As we wrap up WAYA's 45th year, and my time as Board President, I am filled with deep gratitude for the generations of families who have built and sustained this extraordinary community. What began as a tree-filled field, a handful of families, a few handshake deals, and the germ of an idea has grown into a home where young people learn teamwork, perseverance, and the joy of belonging.

Places like WAYA matter now more than ever. At a time when many children face isolation, stress, and too much screen time, the power of movement, connection, and community has never been more vital. Thanks to your support, thousands of kids each year have a place to discover their potential both on and off the field.

This 2024-2025 Impact Report illustrates how your generosity and engagement strengthens our programs and the meaningful difference it makes for families across Austin. Thank you for being part of the WAYA legacy.

Brent M. Metschan

Brent Metschan, Board President

OUR MISSION

WAYA provides recreational and educational programs in a fun & safe community environment to help children reach their full potential.

In 2024-2025 WAYA served

16,280 KIDS

5,420

PLAYED WAYA
SPORTS

2,510

BECAME WAYA
MEMBERS

157

ENROLLED IN
WAYA PRESCHOOL

9,667

ATTENDED CAMPS
AND CLASSES



OUR VISION

To serve Austin with premier youth development programs & facilities that set the standard for growth & leadership in a strong, welcoming community.



Thank you to Dell Children's Medical Center, WAYA's 2025 Family Day Presenting Sponsor!

Save the date for
WAYA's Family Day:
Friday, April 17th, 2026

YOUR IMPACT

This past year, WAYA supporters invested **\$622,045** into the youth of Austin. As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, WAYA depends on your support to continue the work we do!

2024-2025 IMPACT HIGHLIGHTS

SPORTS

WAYA is home to a busy, year round athletic program that is made up of over seven different sports, played across five seasons. In another record-breaking year, over **5,420 kids** played sports at WAYA.



Led by an amazing crew of staff & volunteers, WAYA's Sport Programs create a culture where kids learn to love to play the game.

804

New Kids
Played WAYA
Leagues

2,681

WAYA Sports
Games
Played

461

Volunteer
Coaches at
WAYA

PRESCHOOL

WAYA Preschool served over **138 families** this past school year with students from the ages of 12 months to PreK. The Texas Rising Star program has awarded WAYA Preschool with four stars, the highest rating possible!

WAYA Preschool had a fantastic year! Thanks to your support WAYA Preschool has been able to:



Provide Teacher
Benefits, Education,
& Training



Update Classroom
Designs & Outdoor
Playspaces



Increase
Security &
Safety Measures



FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS

WAYA is responsible for maintaining over **40 acres** of courts, classrooms, fields, & outdoor recreational spaces.



Thanks to your support, this year WAYA was able to transform Brumley Field into a multipurpose field, including the following improvements:



High Quality
Artificial
Turf



Improved
Accessibility &
Safety for All



New Energy
Efficient
Lighting



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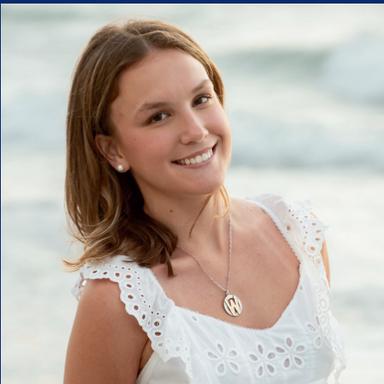
The Junior Board is made up of over **65 high school students**, who participated in WAYA activities at any point. The purpose of the Junior Board is to give back to WAYA, and make it a fun place for years to come.

A note from WAYA's Junior Board President



WAYA has taught me so much over the years. From a little 7-year-old, starting her sports journey, to a 17-year-old going into her last year of high school athletics, WAYA has been the foundation for me to learn and grow, not only as an athlete but as a person.

I'm very competitive but WAYA taught me the true definition of sportsmanship. At WAYA I learned how to be humble in victory and gracious in defeat, and that whether you win or lose, you always high five the other team. I also learned the importance of being a good teammate and motivator, because there is always time to hype up others and give words of encouragement to anyone around you.



I'm so thankful for all of the amazing years that I've spent at WAYA as a kid and I'm even more thankful that I've been able to continue that involvement through the Junior Board. I have had so much fun spending time at WAYA and giving back to the community that raised me to be the person and athlete I am today. It's an honor to serve as the Junior Board President and be a small part of the experience that WAYA gives every young athlete!

-Caroline Cooper

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