

# Annual Report 2022

## ARK Institute of Learning: 2022 Year in Review

In 2022, ARK Institute of Learning continued to serve those with learning challenges through learning evaluations, instruction, support for families, and community outreach. Thus, ARK achieved its mission of "diminishing the impact of learning disorders in the lives of individuals." Clients were provided virtual and/or in-person services to meet their needs and to improve ARK's flexibility and accessibility.

#### **Client Demographics**

- 163 ARK clients received services at ARK: evaluation, instruction, summer classes, and dyslexia screenings
- 6-8 years 13.5% 9-12 years 38%
   13-18 years 41.3% Over 18 years 7.4%
- 40 individuals received full learning evaluations, 77 received instruction, and 24 received evaluations and instruction
- 42% of ARK clients attended public school, 40% attended private school, and the remainder were homeschooled, in college, or not currently enrolled

#### **Services to the Community**

- ARK clients received 3,265 hours of instruction
- ARK provided consultations to parents and/or teachers
- ARK established service agreements with Tacoma Public Schools and several private schools
- ARK provided summer classes in reading, writing, and math
- ARK offered teacher trainings for clock hours
- ARK taught ARK reading strategies to school staff during a Pierce County Diversified Learners Network presentation about structured literacy
- One in 3 ARK clients received financial aid on a sliding scale with a total of \$122,871 awarded in scholarships
- ARK staff participated in the Charting our Future conference with Graduate Tacoma!
- ARK staff members presented to teachers on Vashon Island

#### **Staffing**

- 5 Instructional Specialists provided client instruction, and 3
   Educational Therapists (ET) provided client educational evaluations and instruction.
- Three contracted school psychologists completed evaluations to help ARK meet the demand for learning evaluations.
- To meet the demand for services, ARK welcomed one new Educational Therapist and two new Instructional Specialists to the team. Additionally, one Instructional Specialist also assisted with staff training and mentoring, which was supported by endowment training funds.
- ARK adopted a more competitive Instructional Specialist salary structure and updated the employee benefits package.
- ARK had two interns:
  - a high school intern helped with summer classes and other projects.
  - a college volunteer recorded and scanned evaluations into digital files and helped with interior building maintenance.

#### **Fundraising**

- ARK's online and in-person auctions raised \$130,000
- ARK's year-end fund drive raised \$67,000
- ARK received more than \$87,000 from private donors including some in the form of stock transfers
- ARK received a \$100,000 restricted donation to develop and market ARK products
- ARK received \$77,120 in grants for scholarships and operations
- ARK received over \$400,000 in endowment gifts

#### Outreach

- Provided electronic updates to ARK constituents
- Used social media to provide community awareness, updates, and information
- Evaluated marketing strategies guided by a marketing consultant
- Hosted a booth at Educator Night at the Museum and engaged with local teachers
- Honored by the Tulalip Tribe during a fall gala
- ARK was a featured non-profit in the Giving Back section of Madison Park Magazine, Seattle

#### **Professional Development**

- One ARK instructor achieved Certified Dyslexia Specialist credentials
- One instructor received Dyslexia Interventionist certification
- Staff maintained or earned individual Structured Literacy Classroom Teacher certificates from the International Dyslexia Association's Center for Effective Reading Instruction (CERI)
- Staff engaged in online webinars, stayed current through professional journals, and collaborated via Zoom with other professionals
- Staff continued to practice and use Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills®, a set of procedures and measures for assessing the acquisition of early literacy skills
- ARK co-leaders attended leadership training

#### **Building and Grounds**

- ARK's original roof from 2002 was replaced.
- ARK's air conditioning units were destroyed by vandals and critical
  parts were stolen in July. Despite record high temperatures in the
  area and in the building, staff continued to see clients and took steps
  to make everyone as comfortable as possible.
- Replacement A/C equipment was installed and secured in cages.
   New security cameras were installed.

#### **Board of Directors**

- Barbara Lidikay and Gary Methner were celebrated for their many contributions to ARK as they exited the ARK board.
- The ARK board welcomed new board members, Helen Kwon and Steve Saalfeld, and the unique skill set each of them brings to the organization.
- The board scheduled Strategic Planning retreats for 2023.



## ARK Institute of Learning: 2022 Financial Report

In 2022, ARK continued its model of in-person instruction coupled with the versatility and convenience of virtual instruction. This model allowed ARK to exceed budgeted instruction revenue. Additionally, ARK benefited from generous contributions to ARK product development and to the endowment. Overall revenue was \$1,015,866. This exceeded budget by \$167,871 and was a significant increase from 2021 revenue of \$731,916.

Revenue categories that were over budget for the year are as follows:

- ◆ Grants \$17,120 over budget
- Evaluation and Instruction \$18,616 over budget
- ♦ Endowments \$22,075 over budget
- ♦ Auction \$3,821 over budget

Actual expenses for the year were \$954,839 which was over budget by \$52,533.

Expense categories that were under budget for the year are as follows:

- ◆ Compensation \$13,613 under budget
- ◆ Consulting Services \$12,406 under budget.
- ◆ Curriculum & Materials \$3,494 under budget
- Marketing, Office Supplies, and Other Fundraising Expenses - \$5,746 under budget
- Professional Development \$2,511 under budget

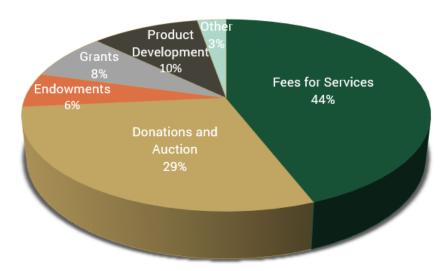
Expense categories that were over budget for the year are as follows:

- Training, Business Expenses, and Legal/ Professional Fees exceeded budget by \$16,798
- Maintenance and Building Supplies exceeded budget by \$21,579 due to the vandalism and theft which required replacement of three air conditioning units

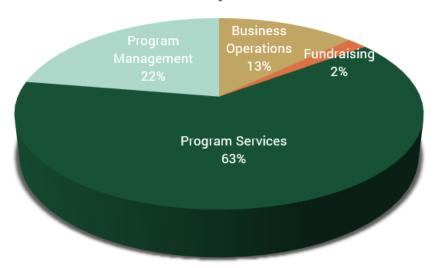
On the whole, it was a good year for ARK. There were significant donations and an increase in endowment funds beyond what was budgeted. Overall, revenue exceeded expenses by \$61,027 for 2022.

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### 2022 Income



### 2022 Expenses



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