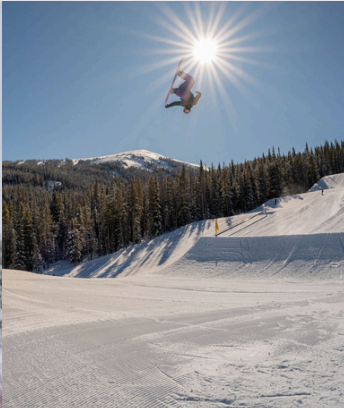


23/24

Ski & Snowboard Club Vail Annual Report



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A Letter from the Executive Director

John Hale

At Ski and Snowboard Club Vail, we constantly push ourselves and the athletes to reach new heights. Whether that is the top of a World Cup Podium or a new personal best, we are motivated by continuous improvement.

Along this journey, we are fortunate to be part of something larger than ourselves- inspiring the next generation of youth. As the athletes and families of SSCV come and go, there is one constant- the extraordinary impact that SSCV has had on them — not only during but also after their time at SSCV. I am honored to work with an organization that enables these lifetime experiences that forever impact everyone involved.

Greatness in all walks of life — whether in athletics, academics, the workplace, or even interpersonal relationships — comes from the inner strength and resilience needed to push oneself beyond one's limits. This level of development is only possible with world-class coaches who can utilize our extraordinary facilities to help create the skills required for each athlete to reach their full on-snow potential — alongside cultivating the character traits needed to work hard and push themselves beyond their comfort zone to be their best both on and off snow.

SSCV must achieve its \$750,000 Annual Campaign goal to attract and retain exceptional coaches across all age levels who possess the skills needed to have this extraordinary impact on our athletes. I hope you find the quotes from former SSCV athletes an inspiration for you to please support SSCV's Annual Campaign.

I sincerely appreciate your consideration of support for the 2024-2025 Annual Campaign. With your involvement, continued success lies ahead for SSCV athletes. Your generosity is critical and meaningful in supporting their lifelong trajectory!

We are looking forward to a great 2024-2025 season!

Sincerely,



John Hale
Executive Director

A handwritten signature of John Hale in blue ink, written in a cursive style.





Season Highlights

2023/2024

737

TOTAL SSCV ATHLETES

150+

COACHES ACROSS ALL DISCIPLINES

27

ATHLETES NAMED TO THE 24/25 US
SKI & SNOWBOARD TEAM

11%

INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP FROM
2023 TO 2024

Voices of Generosity

Brett Borgard | Coach

Ski & Snowboard Club Vail feels like a second family, made up of some of the best coaches, administrators, and ski families from the Vail Valley and across the country.

Being part of SSCV allows me to do what I love—coaching alongside individuals who share my passion, work ethic, and dedication to developing young athletes.

Whether working with future Olympians or passionate racers, I take pride in helping athletes build confidence, discipline, and a lifelong love for the sport. Watching their progress over the years and being part of their journey at SSCV is truly rewarding.

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A Letter from the Director

Bradley Wall

The 23/24 alpine season was unique and exciting in many ways. We utilized our venue at Golden Peak like never before, creating unrivaled training and racing conditions day in and day out. Our athletes had tremendous success across the board. As a club SSCV athletes scored more NorAm Cup points than in any other year, 2 athletes were selected to represent USA at the Youth Olympic Games in Korea, SSCV hosted a successful U16 National Championships where as a club we qualified more athletes than any other in the nation, and picked up 8 podium results. At the U18 National Championships in Jackson Hole, Wyoming, SSCV athletes picked up 19 top 10 finishes including 2 victories. The future of the alpine program looks very strong as our entry level programs including Future Stars and Age Class Prep continue to grow in numbers year on year.

All of these successes and efforts resulted in SSCV being recognized as the US Ski and Snowboard Alpine Club of the year for 2024.

Season Highlights

- **U.S. Ski & Snowboard Alpine Club of the Year**
- **U12 Wins Overall Club Cup**
- **Stewie Bruce: Qualified for Youth Olympics, and is ranked top 5 in the country for his age in all 4 alpine disciplines**



Story of Impact

Carson Hume | Alpine Athlete

I joined SSCV as a U16, and from the moment I became part of the program, I felt supported by an incredible community. SSCV and my coaches have provided me with all the resources I could ever need to succeed, from world-class training opportunities to unwavering mentorship and guidance. The program has pushed me to grow not only as an athlete but also as a person, teaching me the importance of discipline, perseverance, and teamwork. My coaches constantly motivate me to be the best person I can be every day, whether it's during training or everyday life. They always believe in me and push me to do my best. Some of my favorite memories come from traveling with my teammates and competing together. I'm deeply grateful for the impact SSCV has had on my journey and for the doors it has opened for me in skiing and beyond.

“SSCV has provided me with world-class training, unwavering mentorship, and a supportive community that has shaped me both as an athlete and a person.”



A Letter from the Head Coach

Matt Luczkow

The 23/24 season was successful on many levels for the SSCV Freeride Ski Team. Many new athletes competed in their first ever freeride events, while some experienced athletes reached the top of their discipline. Our National Series competitors traveled to events in Snowbird and Whistler, and also stayed within Colorado doing events at Copper and Crested Butte. The Junior Freeride Championships were held in Breckenridge this year at the renowned and intimidating Six Senses venue. This was an awesome experience for our team to have a championship event in our own "backyard". At the Regional level of competition, our team had many wins, podium finishes, and good times. The Vail Freeride competition on Lover's Leap continues to be a wonderful event thanks to our many parent volunteers and help from Vail Resorts. The number of athletes on our full-time freeride team continues to grow, showing that a passion for freeride big mountain skiing is strong in the Vail Valley.

Season Highlights

- **11 top 10 finishes nationally, 26 regionally**
- **Fletcher Taylor: IFSA U15 Overall Champion**
- **Ingrid Gerdes: 4th Overall for U19, and was invited to the Junior World Championships**



Story of Impact

Ingrid Gerdes | Freeride Athlete

Being on the Freeride team at Ski and Snowboard Club Vail has been an incredibly important part of my life. While I have only been on the team for 3 years, the memories and experiences I have had will last a lifetime. My team is like another family to me, we all inspire and push each other but also support one another on and off the snow. My coaches are incredibly compassionate and genuinely care about our success, not only in competitions but in life as well. The Freeride team is somewhere I have always felt at home and able to be myself. It has guided me through my skiing pursuits and taught me a lot about myself. I feel very lucky to be on this incredible team, it is a significant part of my life and I would not be the same without it.

“**My time on the Freeride team has been life-changing, giving me a second family, supportive coaches, and a place where I can truly be myself.**”



A Letter from the Head Coach

Willis Engelhart

Looking back on the 23/24 winter season was yet another amazing year for our team, athletes and coaches. We had much success with our athletes competing on all levels from USASA competitions, Futures Tour, Revolution Tour/NorAms and World Cups. Multiple athletes secured their spots to the next level of NorAms from great competition results and others reaching many podiums at the NorAm level of competitions. One of our athletes got the highest World Cup finish of any current SSCV athlete with a 6th place finish and 2nd overall in the female field for NorAm overall. Other than some fantastic competition results our team came together to build a stronger, more dedicated and supportive team overall. I'm so excited for this season and keeping the passion alive amongst the Freeski Park & Pipe community here in Colorado.

Season Highlights

- **13 NorAm Podiums**
- **15 USASA Podiums**
- **Elaina Krusiewski: Top 10 finish at a World Cup**



Story of Impact

Myles King | Freeski Park & Pipe Athlete

Being a member of the Freeski team at Ski and Snowboard Club Vail for the past 3 years has been incredible. The experiences and camaraderie have not only shaped me into a more skilled skier but also a better person. The countless hours spent training, competing, and simply enjoying the mountain with my teammates have created memories that will last a lifetime. The supportive and challenging environment has pushed me to exceed my limits, fostering both personal and athletic growth. I am beyond grateful for my coaches and the opportunities and lessons that being part of this team has given me.

“Being on the Freeski team has pushed me to grow both personally and athletically, creating unforgettable memories and a supportive environment that inspires me to exceed my limits.”

A Letter from the Director

John Dowling

The SSCV Moguls Team had an amazing 2023/24 season. It all started with our guys taking three of the top four spots at US Selections in Winter Park in mid-December. That set of performances, along with some great results from the ladies earned three of our athletes spots at the Youth Olympic Games, and three starts at the domestic World Cups. Our YOG team absolutely crushed it, with all four of the athletes being SSCV athletes, and taking home two gold medals, one silver, two bronzes, and a fourth place being the lowest any of them finished. After solid World Cup performances, we started the NorAm Tour stage of the season, where we had a consistent showing of athletes in finals and super-finals in every event. One of the most impressive parts of the season for our team was a display of program depth that is unmatched at this point. When our top guys and girls had rough showings, team members stepped up, and moved right into position to make sure SSCV was represented in the top of the field every single week. The same can be said for the Rocky Divisional level team as well. When our NorAm level skiers left to compete on the bigger stages, our younger up-and-comers stepped right in to show off what a strong team we are!!!

Season Highlights

- **7 FIS Podiums**
- **Youth Olympic Games podium finishes across all categories: Female (1st, 3rd), Male (2nd, 4th), and Teams (1st, 3rd)**
- **Porter Huff, Nash Lucas, and Jiah Cohen: Invited to U.S. Freestyle Selections**





Story of Impact

Reese Chapdelaine | Mogul Athlete

I am incredibly grateful for all the opportunities SSCV has given me. Moving from Aspen to Vail four years ago this club quickly felt like home. The dedication of the club and coaches has pushed me to reach new levels in my skiing and the team atmosphere has brought me many lifelong friends. SSCV has inspired me to pursue my dreams and has supported me through the best and worst of my career. The life lessons I gained from the program will influence me forever and I am so glad to have been able to be a part of this club.

” **This program has inspired me to pursue my dreams, supported me through every challenge, and given me lifelong friends and lessons I will carry forever.**



A Letter from the Director

Eric Pepper

The 2023/24 season was one of many successes. The skiing at Maloit Park throughout the season was fantastic, both for competition training and as a wonderful community venue. Maloit Park hosted a junior national qualifier and western college races, featuring junior skiers from throughout the Rocky Mountain Division as well as the top collegiate NCAA programs. SSCV hosted 4 Nordic Town Series events through the season, 2 at Maloit Park and 2 at the Vail Nordic Center, please come out and join us for those! Our competition season was a strong one both with excellent results and challenges along the way. Our skiers continue to impress from our youngest to our oldest. Massive thanks to the families in our program who we truly couldn't do it without.

Season Highlights

- **17 athletes qualified for Jr. Nationals**
- **All athletes improved their USSS points**
- **Rose Horning: Invited to Youth Olympic Games and World Juniors**



Story of Impact

Keely Hendricks | Nordic Athlete

I joined SSCV as a U10 in the alpine program but transitioned to the nordic program as a U14, despite having never been on nordic skis before. The team and coaches welcomed me with open arms, and most of my favorite memories come from practices or trips with the team. Through SSCV, I gained mentors and met some of my best friends. The program not only made me a stronger athlete but also a better person. My coaches at SSCV provided me with countless opportunities to travel and compete, ultimately helping me achieve my dream of skiing in college. Now, I race in the same collegiate division as many of my former teammates, a testament to the incredible coaching in the nordic program. I am deeply grateful for the impact SSCV has had on my life and for all the doors it has opened for me.

“This program welcomed me with open arms, gave me lifelong mentors and friends, and helped me achieve my dream of skiing in college.”

A Letter from the Director

Chris Laske

Reflecting back on the 2023/24 season our snowboard program continued to push progression, results and team camaraderie. Being selected as Snowboard Program of the Year by US Ski and Snowboard was only one of the many highlights of the season. Two more kids were named to the US Slopestyle Rookie Team, we had a first place at Jr. Worlds, a second place at Youth Olympics and many other podiums throughout the season. Each year I'm blown away by the talent and dedication this team displays. Not only are the athletes achieving great things, but the coaching staff gets stronger and stronger every year. The amount of work our coaches are putting in shows how committed they are to each and every kid's success. It is an honor to be a part of this team, club and industry and I can't wait to see what the future brings.

Season Highlights

- **U.S. Ski & Snowboard Snowboard Program of the Year**
- **8 SSCV athletes on the U.S. Ski & Snowboard Snowboard Team**
- **Brooklyn DePriest: Junior Worlds Champion**



Story of Impact

Brooklyn DePriest | Snowboard Athlete

Before coming to SSCV, I had never tried a double backflip. Previously I was riding in a program that put a big focus on making sure every athlete progressed at the same rate, no matter what the level. I had wanted to try a double backflip for well over a year, yet at no point during that year did my previous coach give me the green light to give it a try. They lacked confidence in their athletes' abilities, and I felt restricted. My very first camp I did with SSCV, I tried a double backflip and landed it a few tries later.

The support system at SSCV, coaches and athletes included, is beyond anything I've seen before. My crew has been nipping at each others' heels for the past 4 years, pushing each other to levels that we never thought were attainable. Our coaches always believe in us and push us in a safe yet effective way. The coaches are always very efficient with multitasking, often coaching and filming at the same time, and still make plenty of time for personal instruction and advice.

“Riding alongside teammates at a similar level and with incredible coaching has constantly pushed me to improve, helping me achieve goals I once thought impossible.”

The way the groups are organized allows for the athletes to ride with other athletes better or at a similar level to them, allowing for a constant push of improvement. Without SSCV, without my incredible squad of teammates, and without the great work our coaches do, I don't believe I could be ranked #25 in the world or a member of the US Team. But due to SSCV, that's where I am today.



FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Story of Impact

Kaiya Torres | Scholarship Recipient

The past 5 years of my life have been filled with the best community, experiences, emotions, and growth imaginable. This club has supported me before I even moved to Vail and joined SSCV. Before moving to Vail, Brad Kruez and John Dowling took me in as one of their own athletes, I went to competitions with the Vail team and attended camps which elevated my skiing. The support my family and I felt from this club was so tremendous that we moved here for the mogul family.

It is impossible to truly put the past couple of years into words, I have made it further in moguls than I have ever thought possible. From learning my first backflip on skis to competing in NorAms and for a spot on the Youth Olympic Team. My coaches have taught me that all barriers can be conquered with discipline and passion. My team has taught me how to handle challenges with grace, whether that be injuries, financial burdens, a difficult course, bad training days, or poor performances. I know now that life is a journey and the ups and downs are what make it beautiful and valuable.

I wouldn't have any stories to tell if it wasn't for the financial assistance I have received, giving me the life I have lived. Coming from a low-income family, skiing is the last sport 3 siblings should decide to do, but the constant support for my family and I has kept us going. SSCV has believed in supporting me for years and I owe it to this club for the person I have become and am growing into. Although I will never be able to truly give back to the club, I am currently coaching with the rookie freeride team and fostering love and passion for skiing in the next generation of skiers.

I will carry the lessons and experiences I have had throughout the rest of my life. I am privileged to know that SSCV will be a community I will forever be a part of and I will have my mogul family supporting me for the rest of my life.

Voices of Generosity

Jeff Kirwood | Alumni Family

All three of our kids grew up with SSCV in the alpine program. The grit and the lessons learned from being part of the SSCV community has made our kids more self-confident, more mature, hard-working and ultimately more successful as adults in the real world. Ski Club has given our family irreplaceable gifts, for which we owe a debt of gratitude. It is our intention to continue to support SSCV in order to allow new families to share in our experience with SSCV and to give back to one of the most important non-profit organizations in the Vail Valley. We will never take for granted the impact that SSCV has had on Clay (28), Kate (23) and Nick (20)!

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SCHOLARSHIP FUND
INCREASE FROM 2019-2024

\$482,000

TOTAL SCHOLARSHIP
AWARDED

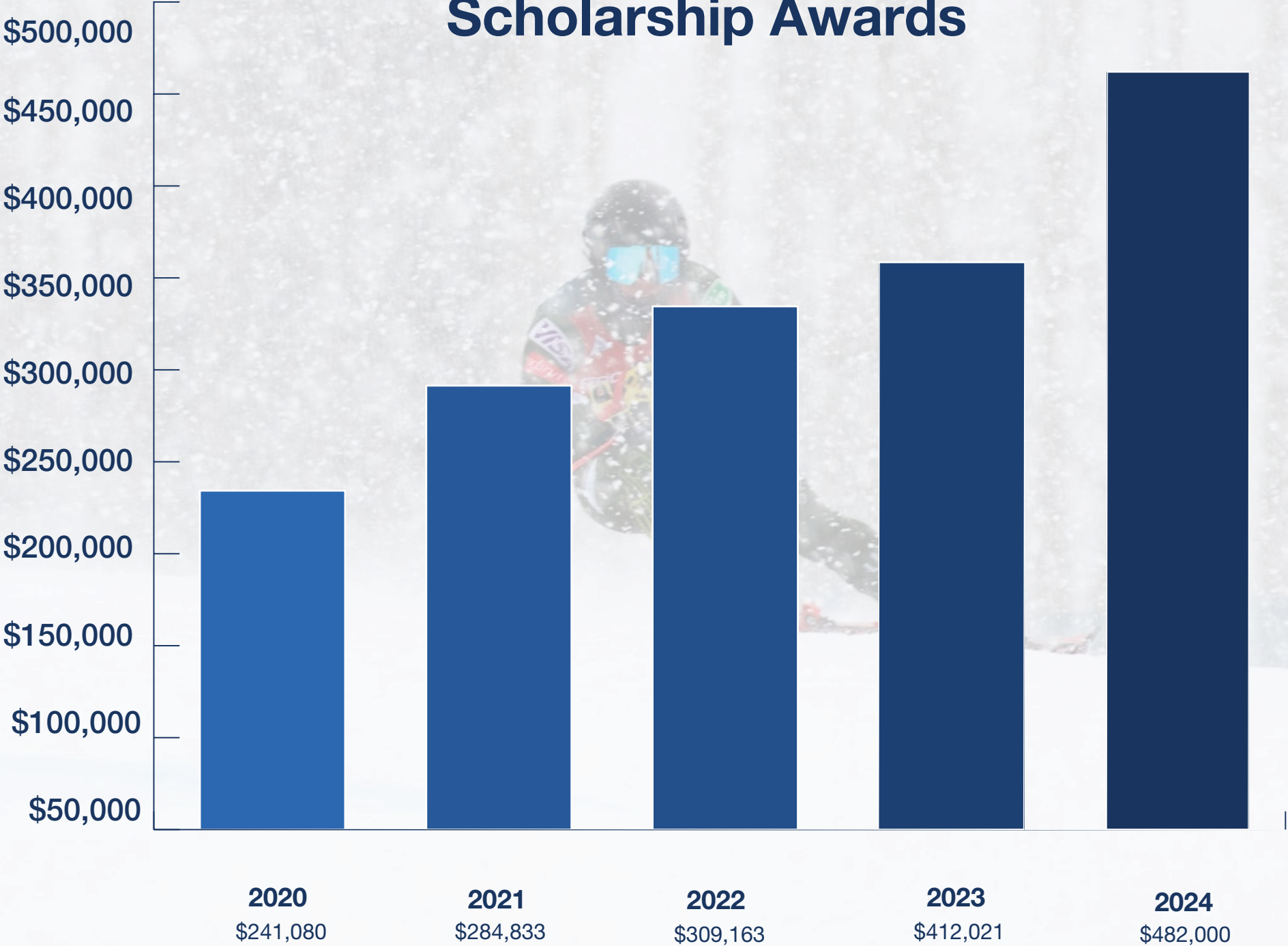
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SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS
FROM EAGLE COUNTY

\$7,800

AVERAGE SCHOLARSHIP
AWARDED

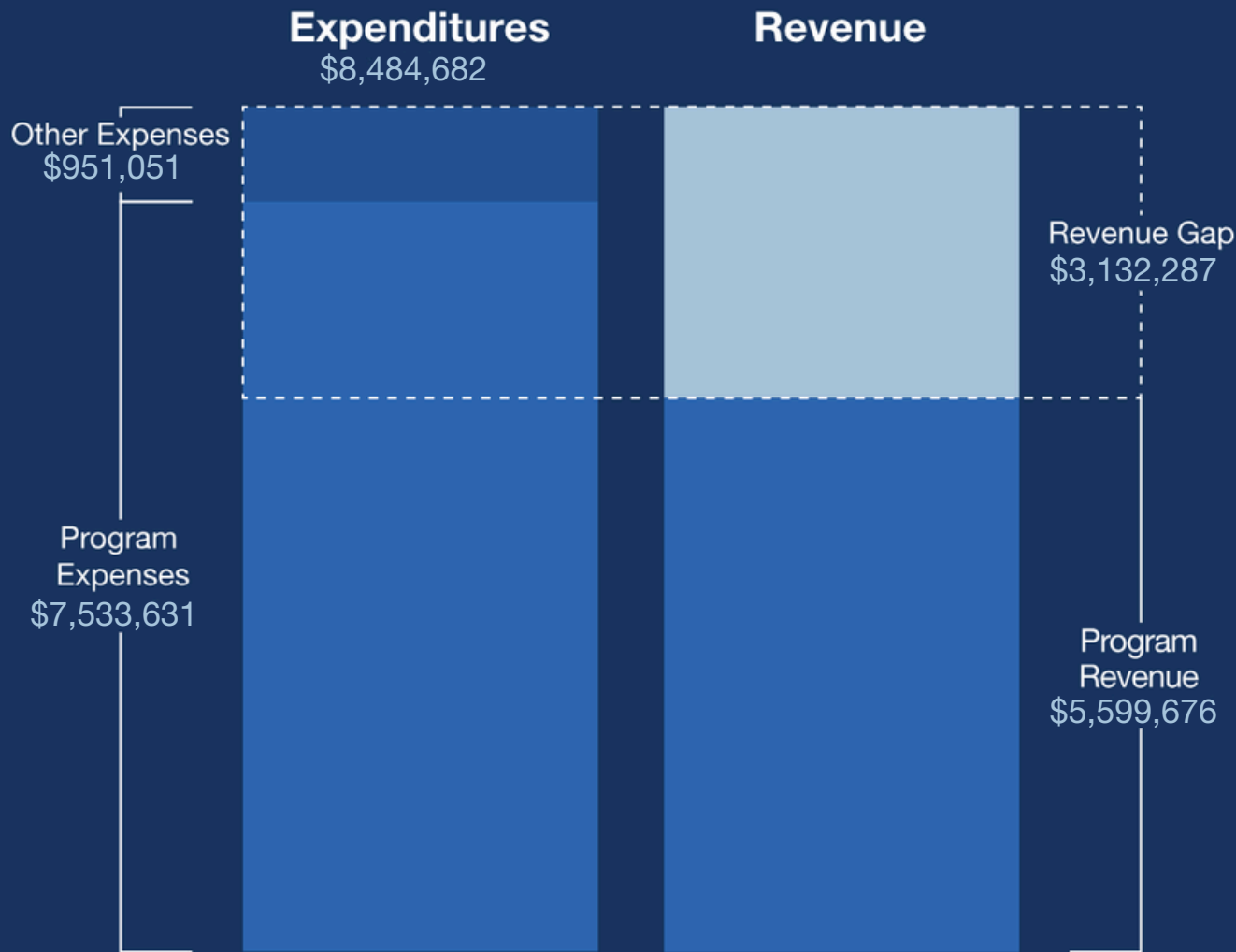
Scholarship Awards



Scholarship Awards



FINANCIALS



We intentionally keep our program fees lower than required to cover program expenses in order to preserve accessibility to snow sports, which we enhance through our expanded scholarship program.

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Legacy

\$50,000 and above

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The Leever Family
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The Steadman Clinic & Steadman
Philippon Research Institute
Vail Resorts

Diamond

\$25,000 - \$49,999

Borgen Family Foundation
Misha and Kaia Moritz
The Dekko Family
Surefoot

Platinum

\$10,000 - \$24,999

Anonymous (1)
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Marcus Price & Sally Liu

The Arrigoni Family
The Biffle Family
The Kawamura Family
The Keane Family
The Lemnah Family
The Sachs Family
Whitney & Carlos Trujillo
Town of Vail
Vail Valley Surgery Center

Gold

\$5,000 - \$9,999

Anonymous (1)
Catherine & David Phillips
Dr. Monica McDonald
Karen & John Arnold
Maffei Foundation
Peter Neidecker
Randi Borgen & Charlie Holmes
Simon Bachleda
The Andrie Family
The Broenniman Family
The Deux Family
The Donohue Family Foundation
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The Fletcher Family
The Haynes Family

The Huml Family
The Kremin Family
The Lane Family
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Family Foundation
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Silver

\$2,500 - \$4,999

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Jon-Erik & Brooke Borgen
Machamer Family Trust
Sarah & Peter Millett
Sherry Family Fund
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Tom Donohue
The Stockton Family
The Waugh Family
Wall Street Insurance

Bronze

\$1,500 - \$2,499

Courtney & Jarrod DePriest
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\$1,000 - \$1,499

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Grassroots

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The Macaluso Family
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The Norton Family
The Scanlan Family
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Slifer Smith & Frampton

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