



Before last year, I thought 20/20 meant crystal clear vision. I don't know about you all, but I DID NOT see that coming!

As we begin 2021 and reflect on 2020, one thing is clear - our community continues offering new examples of how the 'You Can Do!' spirit gets us through incredibly challenging times. I want to thank all of you for being part of our community and for making my year more bearable - in fact, you've made parts of it absolutely magical.

Just six weeks into her new job as our full-time Program Director, Kendra "Scooter" Gish and the Leadership Team crafted all-new virtual programming for 2020, resulting in a 25% increase in overall program participation. While I was personally heartbroken at missing in-person Camp UKANDU for the first time since I was 17, COVID-19 forced us to find amazing new ways of connecting. We zoomed, we cooked, and we danced together - we even added to our big UKANDU family. Nothing can replace what we lost in 2020, but I feel closer to - and more thankful for - UKANDU than ever.

Despite the positives, 2020 came with its fair share of challenges. Donations were down almost 40% from our budget targets, but so were expenses. Through the board of directors' careful stewardship and leadership, along with the continued support of dedicated donors, we ended the year with positive numbers against all odds. Thanks to a very prestigious grant awarded by the MJ Murdock Charitable Trust, we even added to our full-time staff with UKANDU's first Development Director, Ashley Light, CFRE, to lead our fundraising and marketing efforts.

I hope each and every one of you can hear my 'thank you!' loud and clear as I close out this brief letter. It means the world to me that you continue to share your family, time, and generosity with us. I look forward to sharing the magic that's yet to come in 2021.

Jason "Thumper" Hickox
Executive Director, UKANDU



2020 IMPACT



Two new virtual events

UKANDU connected with over 20 new families

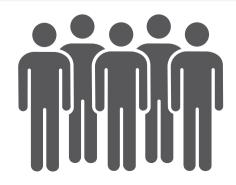




Over 160
participants across
seven states

25% increase in program participation





100+ committed volunteers

VIRTUAL PROGRAMMING

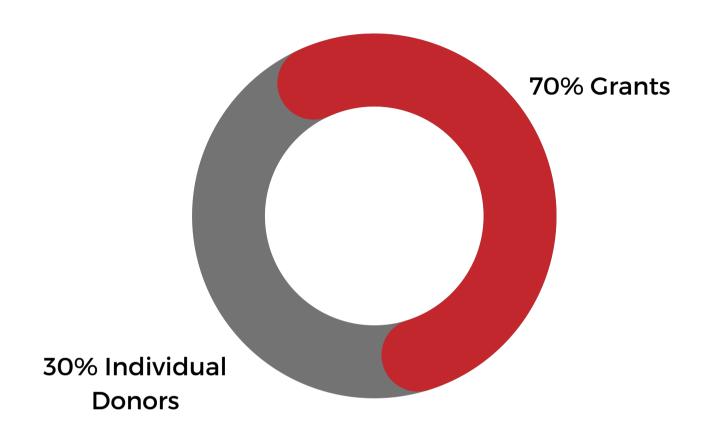
Born out of hardship and necessity, our newest program, UKANDU Virtual Camp, was initially offered as a substitute for Camp UKANDU in the summer of 2020. Unfortunately, there are children across the country who are too sick to attend in-person programming and would love to enjoy the 'hope and joy' that UKANDU provides. So we are committed to offering virtual programming on an ongoing basis for our community.



"I wanted to thank you SO MUCH for such a fun week at camp last week. Tiger, Blueberry and I had such a great time and loved all the activities, the singing at campfire, seeing Snickerdoodle and Popcorn on the screen, the News, the magician, and all of the other creative ways that you all came up with to hold virtual camp. They were so disappointed when overnight camp was cancelled but so excited we could take part in virtual camp. I took the week off of work so I could do it with them and it was such a highlight."

2020 FINANCIALS

UKANDU has an annual operating budget of \$900,000



2020 Grants:

Elizabeth B McGraw Foundation MJ Murdock Charitable Trust William G Gilmore Foundation Care Camp Multnomah Athletic Foundation Marjorie McGraw Rev Trust
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