Dear Friends,

On behalf of Project Sunshine's board and staff, we extend our deepest gratitude to the supporters and volunteers who enabled us to deliver healing play to 240,000 children in 2023.

Research confirms that play supports intellectual, emotional, and social development; increases self-expression and improved communication between families and care teams; and reduces negative emotions. Thanks to you, children with medical needs, in and out of the hospital, get to connect with caring, trained volunteers all over the country and through our international sites. These encounters bring relief to exhausted family members and health care staff, but more importantly, they actually help children get better.

If you are a donor, we appreciate your trust in our work and hope this report demonstrates the measurable return on your financial investment. If you are a volunteer, we honor you as the backbone of Project Sunshine and hope that the words and pictures here capture some of the personal connections you have formed with the children you serve.

We had a number of exciting advancements in 2023. Project Sunshine launched a new technology platform to increase operational efficiencies and enhance the volunteer experience. We received a grant to fund our first-ever research study to assess the effectiveness of TelePlay on patients both in the hospital and at home. Our network of medical facilities and nonprofit partners expanded, approaching 500 in number. None of these accomplishments would have happened without philanthropists and volunteers like you.

As we enter our 25th year of delivering healing play in 2024, we invite you to explore our history and how far we've come. We're looking forward to continued growth, increased impact, and more joyous play for the next 25 years.

Gratefully,

Natan Bibliowicz Chairman of the Board Whitney Namm Pollade

Whitney Namm Pollack Chief Executive Officer

Our Mission

Project Sunshine's mission is to deliver the healing power of play to children with medical needs through trained and dedicated volunteers.

Our **Reach**



241,520 patients and families reached



18,038 volunteers mobilized

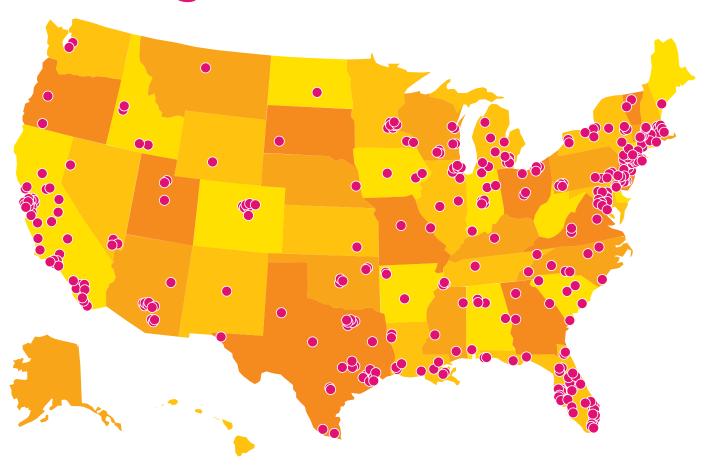


26,157 volunteer hours served



500 hospital & nonprofit partners engaged

Our **Program Partners**





Why Play?

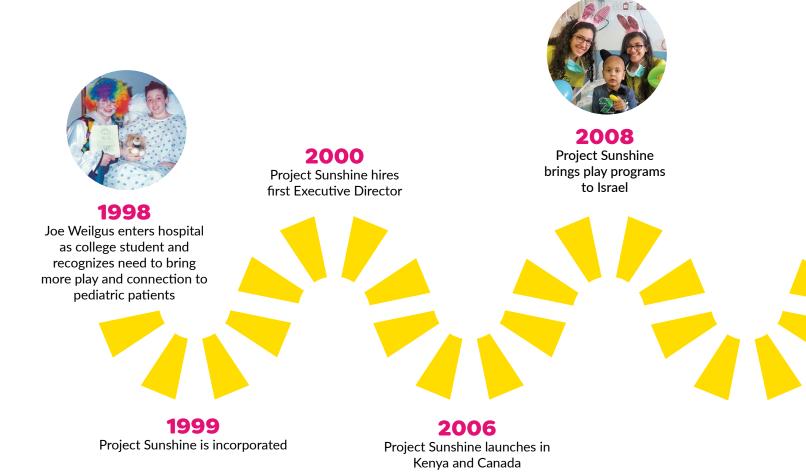
Each year, over 3 million children are hospitalized in the United States. 30% of chronically ill kids face academic disruption, missing out on instruction and social interactions. Illness and hospitalization are traumatic and lead to emotional changes for both patients and families. To remedy this, Project Sunshine delivers healing play to children and families in 48 states in the U.S. and 3 international sites, through 500 hospitals and partners, alongside more than 18.000 volunteers.

Play is:



1998 - 2023 Highlights

As we celebrate 25 years of service, it is remarkable to reflect on our history. What started as a project from the dorm room of a passionate college student, has grown into a trusted and recognized national organization with international presence, annually serving more than 240,000 children. Over our 25year history, we have brought our programs to hundreds of hospital partners and nonprofits, mobilized hundreds of thousands of volunteers. and reached more than 2 million children. But we're not done yet! Join us as we celebrate an astounding quarter century of play and eagerly look ahead to deliver the healing power of play in this next period of growth and innovation.



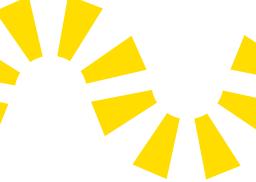
Do you believe that in every city, there's a child who needs help? Do you believe that in those same very cities, there's someone who wants to help and will help? I do, and that's what Project Sunshine is here for."

-Joe Weilgus

2011 Organization surpasses 200 medical facility partners

2015 Organization engages 15,000 volunteers annually for the first time

Project Sunshine embarks on a strategic planning process to expand its impact



Project Sunshine brings play to more than 200,000 kids annually

2013 Project Sunshine brings play to 100,000 kids annually for the first time





for the first time





Here to Play

Here To Play brings patients and volunteers together in hospital settings through creative arts activities and other opportunities for social interaction and learning.

10,150 Patients & families

85 Medical facility partners

2,252 Here to Play volunteers

2023 Update

Throughout the pandemic, hospitals nationwide took essential measures to ensure the safety of its patients. Collaborating closely with hospital partners, Project Sunshine prepared to relaunch our programs as restrictions began to lift. More than ever, we recognized the importance of in-person volunteers in providing comfort, reducing anxiety, and encouraging adherence to treatment. By the end of 2022, we were able to resume activites with hospitals and continued to engage with both new and existing Here to Play partners throughout 2023 to reach pre-pandemic levels..

We're excited to continue to build relationships with more partners, to serve more pediatric patients with healing play.



Play therapy is how we work on emotional regulation in our child and adolescent psych unit. When Project Sunshine volunteers are on the floor, the mood on the unit is always positive as our patients get to exercise creativity and make things they're proud of. And for our staff, it's precious time that they can use to get to tasks like charting or tidying up."

> - Megan Ice, PhD, Psychologist, Cambridge Health Alliance

Kits for Play

Kits for Play bring safe, creative play directly to children through individual activity kits designed by child life specialists that spark joy and provide therapeutic value to the physical and emotional healing process.

160,565

Patients & families

478

Medical facility partners

11,000

Kits for Play volunteers

2023 Update

This year, we are proud to share that we have sent more kits to partners than ever before! In total, we were able to deliver 160,565 activity kits to pediatric patients. All of this was possible through the dedicated volunteers who helped pack and assemble each and every kit, including 7,300 corporate volunteers and 2,900 college volunteers.

In addition, we continued to innovate new kits and enhance existing kits. For the third year in a row, we partnered with PepsiCo brands to design a new activity kit called "Art-Venture Creativity" kits. These special kits were delivered to 11.650 children across 160 partners in the U.S. We also upgraded our popular Builder's kit with new materials and added a sensory therapeutic component.

We look forward to reaching even more patients and families next year with our activity kits!



My daughter SJ has an extensive medical history with lots of medical anxiety. That day, she was extremely quiet and kept her head down. But when she received the kit from the staff, she became engrossed with playing and coloring, and even showed the doctors what she worked on. Seeing my precious little girl transform back to her joyful self was PRICELESS! It also helped relieve my own fears and allowed me to fully engage with the care team."

- Emily, Mom of patient at Children's Hospital Colorado

TelePlay

TelePlay is a live, virtual play experience, using a HIPAA compliant technology platform where trained volunteers meet children online for developmentallyappropriate games and activity sessions.

1,775 Patients & families

41 Medical facility partners

560 TelePlay volunteers

2023 Update

In 2023, we launched our first research study to understand the benefits of TelePlay for children with medical needs. This study has been generously funded by the Kentucky Association of Health Plans (KAHP). For six months, from October 2023 through March 2024, we partnered with two major children's hospitals in Kentucky: Kentucky Children's Hospital and Norton Children's Hospital. Both partners administered TelePlay seven days a week for inpatients and outpatients to evaluate program effectiveness and quality of life outcomes with the support of four Project Sunshine trained volunteers on site.

We're eager to see the results of the study to understand the impact of TelePlay so that we can better support the social and emotional health of the children we serve. now and in the future.

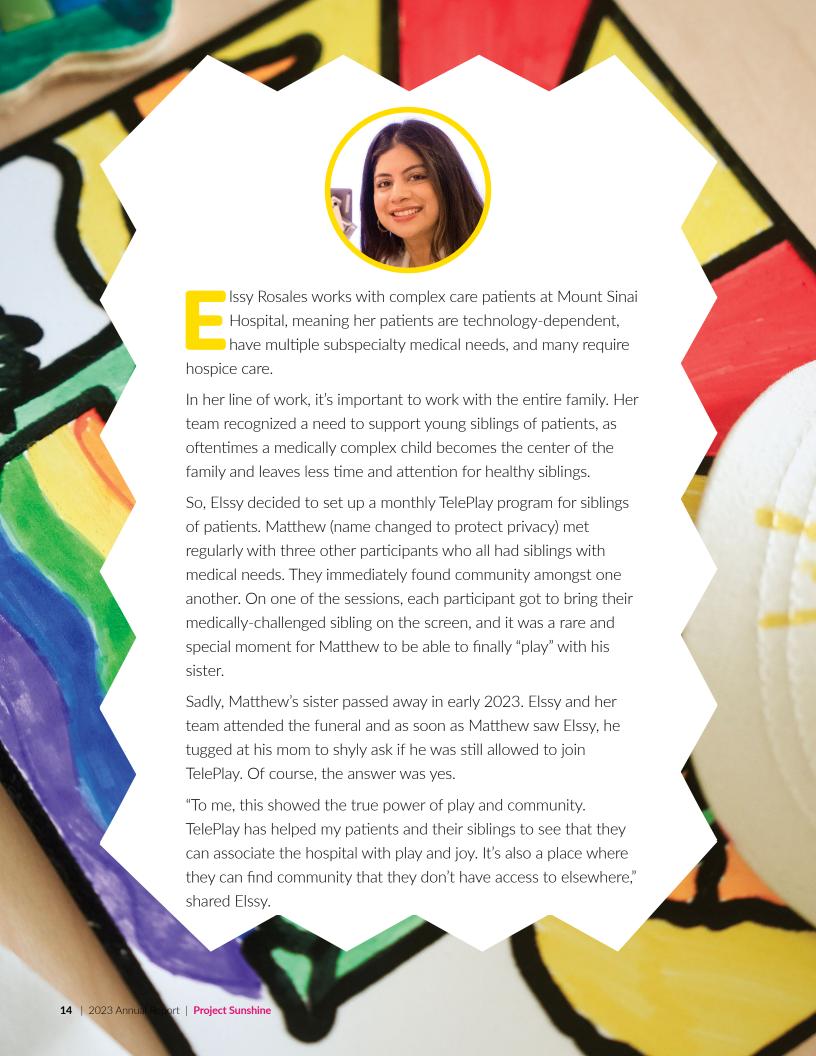


It's been rewarding to see the kids just be kids and have some fun for a while. Even though my fellow volunteers and I are only a small part of their day, their joy and smiles are infectious.

> - Aleksandra 'Ola' Guzy TelePlay Chapter Leader







Play Abroad

Canada

This year marks program launches and growth across all facets of Project Sunshine Canada. We proudly introduced TelePlay en français, bringing our virtual, at-home play programming to reach French-speaking children and families with thanks to the generous support of the Ontario Trillium Foundation. Our Here to Play program grew with a new partnership with a medical facility in the Yukon. And we continued to overcome challenges posed by the pandemic by finally resuming NICU picnics to bring moments of warmth and play to families.

Welcoming two new chapters, our network of college chapters now stands at 13 across Canada. Our corporate partner events are on the rise, with our first ever event conducted in French with Demers Beaulne. Additionally, our partnership with the Durham Regional Police Station resulted in our largest kit-packing event this year-with 450 volunteers in attendance, we packed 1,200 activity kits! We look forward to expanding our impact and continuing to serve Canadian children and families in the upcoming year.





Israel

opportunities that arose from adversity. Our their regular volunteer service since October



Kenya

Volunteers



Volunteers are the backbone of Project Sunshine and our programs would not exist without them. Altogether in the US and our international locations in Canada, Israel, and Kenya, we boast of working with 18,000+ volunteers each year.

And so, to better support these wonderful volunteers, we made it a priority to enhance their experience by investing in technology. Over the past year, the Project Sunshine team diligently worked with our partner Silverline, a Salesforce third party implementation firm, to build a new platform called Sunshine Central. This new platform has been designed to provide a more streamlined process to search for current volunteer opportunities, access trainings, stay informed about upcoming program sessions, keep track of volunteer hours, and so much more. In November, we successfully launched Sunshine Central and are excited to utilize this technology and make sure that volunteers can focus on delivering the healing power of play to children with medical needs.





Program Partners



Project Sunshine's programs are delivered through high-touch relational partnerships with medical facilities and nonprofits all over the country. We help child life specialists, healthcare professionals, and nonprofit staff provide psychological, social, and emotional support for pediatric patients and families.

This year, we were thrilled to onboard 50 medical facility partners to our Here to Play program. In addition, we expanded our reach with exciting partners through TelePlay. For example, we are now bringing TelePlay to four more groups with JDRF, the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation, Weill Cornell's Compass Program, the Center for Survivor Wellness at Columbia, and seven facilities at Intermountain Health.

We're grateful to work with amazing partners across the country and aim to build upon these partnerships in 2024.



Corporate **Partners**



In 2023, our Corporate Partners showed an impressive increase in participation. 89 companies and 7,400 volunteers have engaged with us to deliver our programs, bringing the healing play to over 100,000 children. We were thrilled to see in office programs grow with several engaging 100-300 volunteers at a time.

We were also thankful to deepen existing partnerships and begin new ones. RBC Capital Markets has been a partner since 2022 and this year, Project Sunshine was selected as a feature nonprofit partner during RBC Charity Day for the Kids and received a generous donation of \$225,000 to support our programs. In addition, RBC Capital Markets employees across New York, New Jersey, Dallas, Los Angeles, and San Francisco gathered in their respective offices to pack over 3,400 activity kits for children on the same day.

On Giving Tuesday, we had the privilege of partnering with Tonies for the first time. Along with a \$10,000 donation, Tonies also provided 500 Toniebox Starter Sets and an assortment of Tonies to more than 100 Project Sunshine hospital partners.

Through the active involvement of our corporate partners, we have been able to serve and bring a bit of sunshine to 108.533 more children and families in 2023!

89 companies engaged

307 corporate events

7,432 volunteers

108,500+ children served

Sunshine Partners

We want to give a special thanks to our top corporate partners who support us through financial investment and thousands of volunteer hours.

Arch Group Blackstone

Citadel

Michaels

Morgan Stanley

Novartis Corporation

PepsiCo

Salesforce

RBC Capital Markets

Tonies

Annual Gala

At this year's Annual Gala, we proudly recognized New York-Presbyterian as our inaugural "Partner In Play." We celebrated our long-standing partnership with New York-Presbyterian that has brought the healing power of play to New York children and families for more than a decade. We also recognized Project Sunshine's Founder, Joe Weilgus, for his 25 years of leadership at our organization, and announced Natan Bibliowicz as our new Chair of the Board. We are deeply grateful to our Gala sponsors, the Tylis Family Foundation and PepsiCo. Through their support and the collective effort of 300 attendees, we raised \$1 million to further Project Sunshine's mission of delivering play to children with medical needs.

13th Annual **Golf Classic**

At our 13th Annual Golf Classic on September 26, we brought together longtime supporters and new friends to raise over \$570,000. We were delighted to spotlight Dentons, a dedicated corporate partner, Arthur Hamilton, Partner at Dentons, offered remarks about the company's enduring partnership with Project Sunshine and the benefits of corporate volunteering at our Golf Classic dinner. Thank you to our Sunshine Sponsors: HPS Investment Partners, Jessica & Natan Bibliowicz, NFP, RT Specialty, and Weill Cornell Imaging, and all of our supporters and attendees.





Donors 2023

The work we do at Project Sunshine is only possible through the generous support of our dedicated annual donors. We're grateful to partner with so many individuals and organizations to bring healing joy to pediatric patients all around the nation and to our international sites.

Sunshine (\$100,000+)

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Tonies

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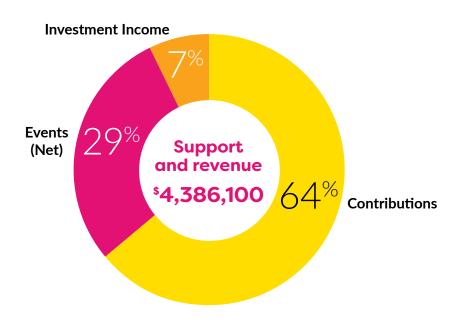
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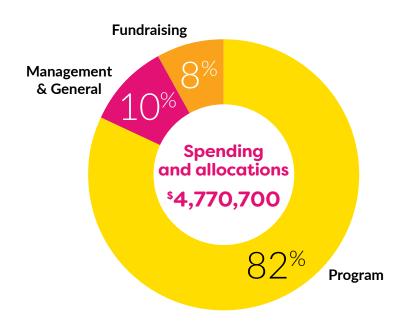
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