



### **97% OF GIRLS** FELT LIKE THEY BELONGED AT GIRLS ON THE RUN.

heart

"[My daughter told me] 'Oh, mom I learned so many things. Everyone's religion and belief systems are so different, but it's so cool how at the end of the day we could still empower each other."

-Ivory, SOTR parent

## WE ALL BELONG AT THE FINISH LINE

Dear Friends,

As we approach the 50th anniversary of Title IX, the landmark law ensuring gender equality and inclusion across sports and public education, we feel even more clear-eyed in our vision of a world where every girl activates her limitless potential and is free to boldly pursue her dreams. With 385 girls served in 2021 and over 1,700 since our founding in 2013, we take pride in knowing that we are igniting moments where confident, compassionate girls discover their spark and inspire others to find theirs.

Creating an environment where every girl has a spot on the track is nothing new to Girls on the Run of Greater Richmond. Values like belonging, understanding of others, and self-respect are reinforced throughout our organization as participants, volunteers and staff are given opportunities to bring them to life. Empathy generates empathy and it is our privilege to help set this trend in motion. Creating room for someone to join the group. Giving a pat on the back to a teammate who has been struggling. Having the inner worth to listen to another girl's experience and ask her questions about it. These are the actions that make our programs truly life-changing experiences. Girls do not forget these moments. In fact, these memories are often profound enough to impact the way girls will treat others for the rest of their lives.

Thank you for supporting our goal of connecting girls to experiences that positively impact them long after they cross the finish line. Because of you, the spirit of belonging has never been stronger at Girls on the Run of Greater Richmond.

With gratitude,

Catherine Estevez Executive Director Carrie Bartlett Board Chair



# 2027

31

Teams

93

Hours of programming

129 Coaches 385

Girls served in 2021!



145

Volunteers

135

Scholarships Granted

273 Running Buddies

## OUR reasons WHY

Every girl deserves to experience the joy that comes from finding a community, developing friendships and confidently believing in herself. Girls on the Run of Greater Richmond creates an environment where participants can discover their spark and take it far beyond the finish line. Why do we do this? Because we know that within every girl is a brave and worthy soul capable of achieving her dreams.

### Highlights from our Fall 2021 Survey:

"[Girls on the Run] is fun and a great way to meet new friends, get active and get more confident."

"I like that when I think I can't do something, other girls would cheer me on and tell me I can."

"I'm different and it doesn't matter what other people say as long as I like myself."

"I can do hard things."

- GOTR PARTICIPANTS

86% of parents said Girls on the Run helped their girl gain skills that are helping her handle the stress associated with the pandemic. "My girl learned that she was not going through the unique struggles this year has brought on alone. She became closer to her friends and made a few new ones as well." - GOTE PARENT

It is so meaningful to be a coach of a space where girls are the center, the voices, and the leaders of their time. **- GOTR COACH**  Nearly 100% of participants agreed that their teammates support them at Girls on the Run and that their coaches care about them.









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# ♦ WE THANK YOU,♦ PARTNERS

The strong support of our school partners, families, sponsors, foundations and individual donors made it possible for Girls on the Run of Greater Richmond to continue serving our community throughout 2021. Collaboration is central to our success and our impact is stronger because of your generosity.

We truly could not do this work without the tremendous star power of our coaches and site liaisons. Thanks to you, every girl who joins our program becomes braver, bolder and better equipped to achieve their dreams!

### 2021 COACHES AND SITE LIASIONS

Abby Reynolds Alex Gever Alexis Haycraft Alice Ann Howard Alicia Winnina Alison Schneider Aliyah Hoye Allie Lane Allison El Koubi Amanda Brownson Amanda Dickey Amy Hall Ande Taylor Andrea Leggett Andrea Neff Anna Robison Anna Strahs Watts Anne Hurt Annette Lumsden-Cook Annie Lively April Brown Ashby Pond Ashley George Ashley Melnichak Balsorah Lynch Beth Yaqel

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# PROGRAM SITES

### CHESTERFIELD

Bensley Elementary Beulah Elementary Clover Hill Elementary JB Watkins Elementary Rockin' Rockwood GOTR\* Rockwood Park Heart & Sole\*

### GOOCHLAND

Goochland Elementary

### HANOVER

Hanover Community GOTR\*

### HENRICO

Achievable Dream Certified Academy Collegiate School\*\*\* East End GOTR Girls\* Glen Allen GOTR Gals\* Kaechele Elementary Longdale Elementary Short Pump Superstars\* St. Catherine's School\*\*\* The Steward School Twin Hickory Toucans Heart & Sole\* West End Wonders GOTR\* The Blessed Sacrament Huguenot School

### **PRINCE GEORGE**

JEJ Moore Middle\*

### RICHMOND

Fab Fan GOTR Girls\* Mary Munford Heart & Sole\* NextUp Heart & Sole\*\* Peter Paul\*\*\* RVA GOTR Girls\* Southampton Elementary Westover Hills Elementary

\*Community Site \*\*Virtual Site \*\*\*Camp Site



The Covid-19 pandemic continued to impact schools, communities, girls, families, and non-profit organizations like Girls on the Run of Greater Richmond throughout 2021 in ever-changing and unexpected ways. That said, Girls on the Run was proud to be able to adapt program implementation to continue to serve girls across the Richmond region, most notably through the shift to hybrid and community-based programming.

# **FINANCIALS**



# INCOME

Support, revenue and other income (loss):	Total
Contributions and Grants	\$63,683
Registration Fees and Merchandise Sales	\$49,807
Special Events	\$14,866
Other	\$9,150
Total	\$137,506

## **EXPENSES**

Expenses	
Program	\$69,948
General and Administrative	\$57,665
Fundraising	\$26,065
Total	\$153,678



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