



2022-2023 Annual Report

MISSION

To provide expedition-based, outdoor experiences to girls to build their confidence, resilience, and curiosity.

A MESSAGE FROM THE FOUNDER I am astonished by what The Wild Way has accomplished in our past fiscal year. What began as an idea in 2021 has blossomed into an organization that has impacted hundreds of lives in our community, including my own. I am privileged to share meaningful experiences with these girls, and The Wild Way has done as much to expand my own confidence and horizons as it has theirs. And this is only the beginning!



- Alex Siple

2022-2023 IMPACT SNAPSHOT

38

days of events held in 2023

196

participants enrolled

participants received financial assistance

\$11.300

provided in subsized services



PROJECTS

DETAILS

Spring Break Camps

The Wild Way provides weeklong spring break camps that feature hiking, climbing, ropes courses, caving, and outdoor education.

Paddlesports Camps

We hold week-long paddlesports camps where girls canoe, kayak, and SUP different sections of the James River.

One-Day Events

We offer one-day events like hiking, caving, horseback riding, SUPing, biking, camping, self defense, art, and more.

Outcomes

According to pre- and posttests, 87% of participants reported feeling MORE CONFIDENT after The Wild Way.

95% said their experience made them feel *MORE POSITIVE* about what they can accomplish in other areas of their lives.

We couldn't have done it without your generous propert.





- Community Foundation Serving Western Virginia
- Cox Charities
- Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources

- Alcova Mortgage (Platinum Sponsor)
- FocusOne Financial Planning (Platinum Sponsor)
- Roanoke Valley Orthodontics (Silver Sponsor)
- Cole & Associates CPAs



The people who make the magic happen...



2022-2023 Volunteers



- Cheryl Kelley
- Ashley Fant
- Liz Lochbrunner
- Kelli Wray
- Karen Burns
- Cheryl Entwistle
- Janet Sweat
- Julie Reed
- Maisie Leach
- Jessica Wimer
- Libby Blankenship

- Ashley Patterson
- Chelsea DeMille
- Erin Boggs
- Kayla McKinney
- Tamryn Stephenson
- Sarah Reid
- Leigh Ramsey
- Brendle Wolfe
- Deziree Bunn
- Gretchen Beedle
- Tammy Eaton

Board of Directors

Alexandra Siple (Executive Director)
Leigh Ann Hamlin (Board Chair)
Jaime Borden (Treasurer)
Michelle Davis (Secretary)
Jo Nelson
Sarah Reid

"(I learned that) if you fall, you can get up and face your fears. Like if you fall in the water, you can still get back up and face rapids."

- Participant Quote





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