



SPINA BIFIDA  
ASSOCIATION  
OF KENTUCKY

# 2024 Annual Report







# Our Mission

To build a better and brighter future for all those impacted by Spina Bifida. We do this primarily by providing FREE programs and services for adults, children, and families.

# Our History

Spina Bifida is one the most common permanently disabling birth defects.

The Spina Bifida Association of Central Kentucky, Inc., was founded in Lexington in 1983 by two mothers of children with Spina Bifida and two physicians as a support and resource network for families dealing with Spina Bifida. In 1986 the name was changed to Spina Bifida Association of Kentucky, Inc. (SBAK) and the main offices moved to Louisville. SBAK is a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit.

For 41 years, SBAK has focused solely on the needs of the children, adults, and families that are impacted by Spina Bifida in both Kentucky and Southern Indiana.

SBAK is an affiliated chapter of the Spina Bifida Association of America.

# Because of Your Support



Every year, there are approximately 1,400 babies born with Spina Bifida in the United States. It is estimated that there are 1,800 children and adults living with Spina Bifida in Kentucky and Southern Indiana. Our goal is to provide them with community, educational, and advocacy resources through our free programs, services, and financial assistance.

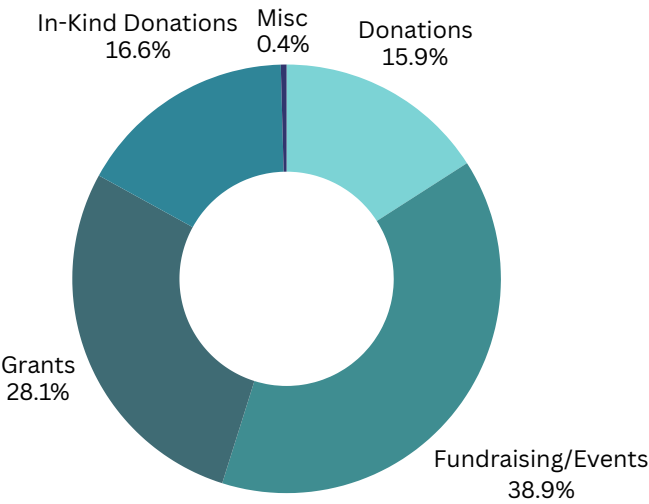
## In 2024 SBAK:

- Provided 28 families the chance to attend a medically staffed, sleep-away camp at the Center for Courageous Kids in Scottsville, Ky. This is one of SBAK's most popular programs and we are committed to covering the expense of this program in full so that families may attend at no cost.
- Hosted a **Walk-N-Roll for Spina Bifida Awareness Campaign** in Louisville, Lexington and Eddyville, KY for more than 130 families and their friends
- Hosted a **Spring Eggstravaganza Picnic** with an adaptive egg hunt and partnered with A Kid Again for a **December Holiday Adventure** at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington KY
- Provided a gift, welcome packet, and medical binder to the families of seven children born with Spina Bifida.
- Hosted the first **Pooper Bowl** in coordination with Norton Healthcare, to give families access to experts in the field of constipation and bowel management care
- Provided financial assistance to 5 families impacted by Spina Bifida, including help paying for medical supplies and equipment not covered by insurance



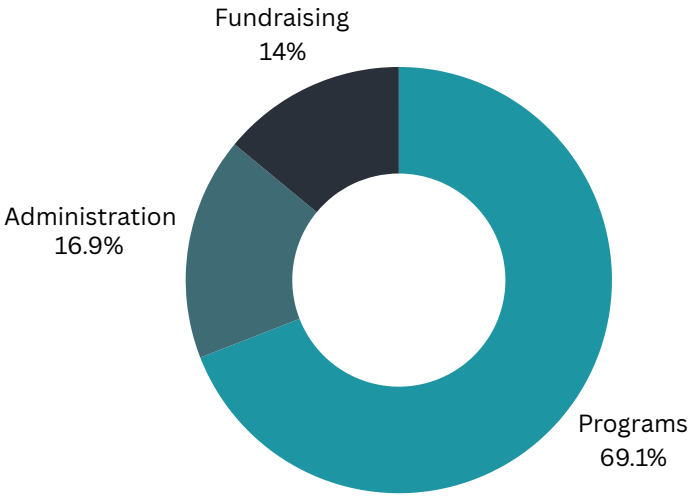
# 2024 Financials (unaudited)

## Revenue



TOTAL REVENUE \$191,662

## Expenses



TOTAL EXPENSES \$175,831

**NET INCOME \$15,830**

**SUPPORTED BY GRANTS FROM**



# 2024 Fundraising Events

The **SBAK Golf Scramble** was held at Henry County Country Club on May 20, raising \$12,000.

The 15th annual **Walk-N-Roll for SB** fundraising campaign raised \$58,500.

A special thank you goes out to the volunteers and sponsors who made these events successful including:



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