



SPINA BIFIDA  
ASSOCIATION  
OF KENTUCKY

## 2025 ANNUAL REPORT

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## Our Mission

To build a better and brighter future for all those impacted by Spina Bifida, one of the most common permanently disabling birth defects. We do this primarily by providing FREE programs and services for adults, children, and families.

## Our History

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

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

# Because of Your Support :

32 families attended a medically staffed camp weekend in Scottsville, Ky. This is one of SBAK's most popular programs and, in partnership with the Center for Courageous Kids, we are committed to covering the expenses of this program in full so that families attend at no cost.



This sleep-away-camp experience provides kids from 3-18 years old the chance to grow in confidence and gain independence while experiencing all of the typical camp activities; swimming, horseback riding, archery, and more!

250+ children received a wrapped holiday gift at the Holiday Adventure at Kentucky Horse Park, in Lexington KY. This marked our third year partnering with A Kid Again to provide this experience to the families of children with special needs.

Financial assistance was provided to:

- Install a new van ramp for a family to make transporting their child with Spina Bifida easier
- Pay property taxes on the home of an adult with Spina Bifida
- Provide grocery store gift cards to families impacted by Spina Bifida who experienced disruption to their SNAP benefits during the government shutdown



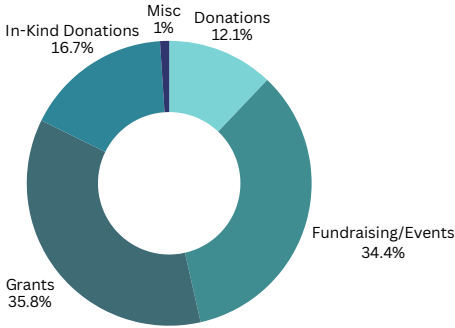
SBAK hosted Walk-n-Roll celebration events in Louisville, Owensboro, and Princeton, Kentucky. These events provide our families the opportunity to come together to connect with old friends, and make new ones, during a day of fun with food, games, and useful information from providers at the on-site resource fair.



Every year, there are approximately 1,300 babies born with Spina Bifida in the United States. It is estimated that there are 1,750 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.

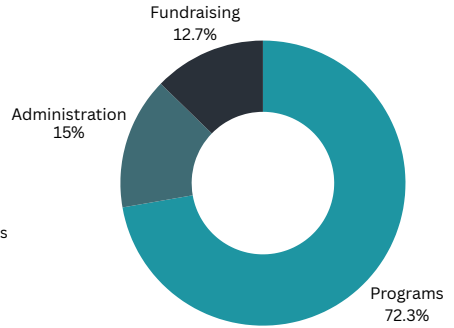
# 2025 Financials (unaudited)

## Income



Total Income \$190,168

## Expenses



Total Expenses \$175,198

**NET INCOME \$14,970**

## Supported by Grants and Donations From:



- The Wood & Marie Hannah Foundation
- The Albert J. Bissmeyer Fund
- Fraternal Order of Eagles Aeire 3903, Louisville KY
- Veteran of Foreign Wars Post 609, Owensboro KY
- Fraternal Order of Eagles Aeire 4168, Owensboro

# 2025 Fundraising Events

- The **SBAK Golf Scramble** was held at Weissinger Hills Golf Course on June 16.
- The 16th annual **Walk-N-Roll for SB** fundraising campaign opened on May 1 and concluded at the final celebration event on October 22.
- The **SBAK Bourbon & BBQ Bash** was held on March 21.

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



# OUR TEAM 2026

## Board of Directors

<b>Chair</b>	<b>Samantha Miller, MSN, RN</b> Seven Counties Services
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## Staff

**Executive Director Sarah Richardson**  
Parent of a child with Spina Bifida

**Administrative Manager Maria Baker**



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## **Thank you for supporting our organization**

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