



ABC provides academic, enrichment, and wellness programs for at-risk children in a safe and supportive environment. We do this through after school and summer camp programs.



ANNUAL REPORT 2022-23

A LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR

When I took over my role as Executive Director in October 2021, ABC was at a point of transformation. It was moving out of its phase as a start-up, grassroots organization with one staff member and a program run by volunteers, to a settled and known program across Teton Valley. This past year was no different, and thanks to the support of our community, we were able to celebrate some of the following accomplishments:

- Program expansion to include opening a third After School Center in Tetonia Elementary School;
- Increased enrollment in summer camp by 125% and after school by 60%;
- Group mental health counseling sessions for ABC After School students;
- Increased community partnerships to support high-quality programming and give students transformative learning opportunities they wouldn't otherwise receive due to financial constraints;
- Startup of a Makerspace program at ABC Driggs;
- Implementation of the Meal in a Bag program in partnership with Teton Valley Food Pantry.

With growth comes growing pains, and we definitely experienced some of those over the past year; however, thanks to our donors, we have never once wavered from our mission. As we enter 2023, we will continue to prioritize Teton Valley's most at-risk families, providing them with a safe and reliable place to go during out-of-school hours.

Thanks for being a part of the mission. Your support of ABC in the past has positively impacted our most vulnerable population: our children.

With gratitude,
Anna Wells
ABC Executive Director

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PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

3

Number of centers for ABC After School - Driggs, Victor, and Tetonia

205

Number of children enrolled in ABC programs

924

Free meals given to families through our Meal in a Bag program

10

Hours in group mental health sessions as part of ABC After School

75

Percentage of students who received a reduced-rate fee for ABC programs

8

Number of community partners that support our programming to ensure high quality experiences for our students

84

Percentage of our budget that is received from donations or grants so that we can keep the cost of our programming affordable

Parent Testimonials

"Our family absolutely loves the ABC after school program. It has been hugely beneficial to us as a family with two working parents to have quality programming for our child after school at a price we can afford. Thank you!!"

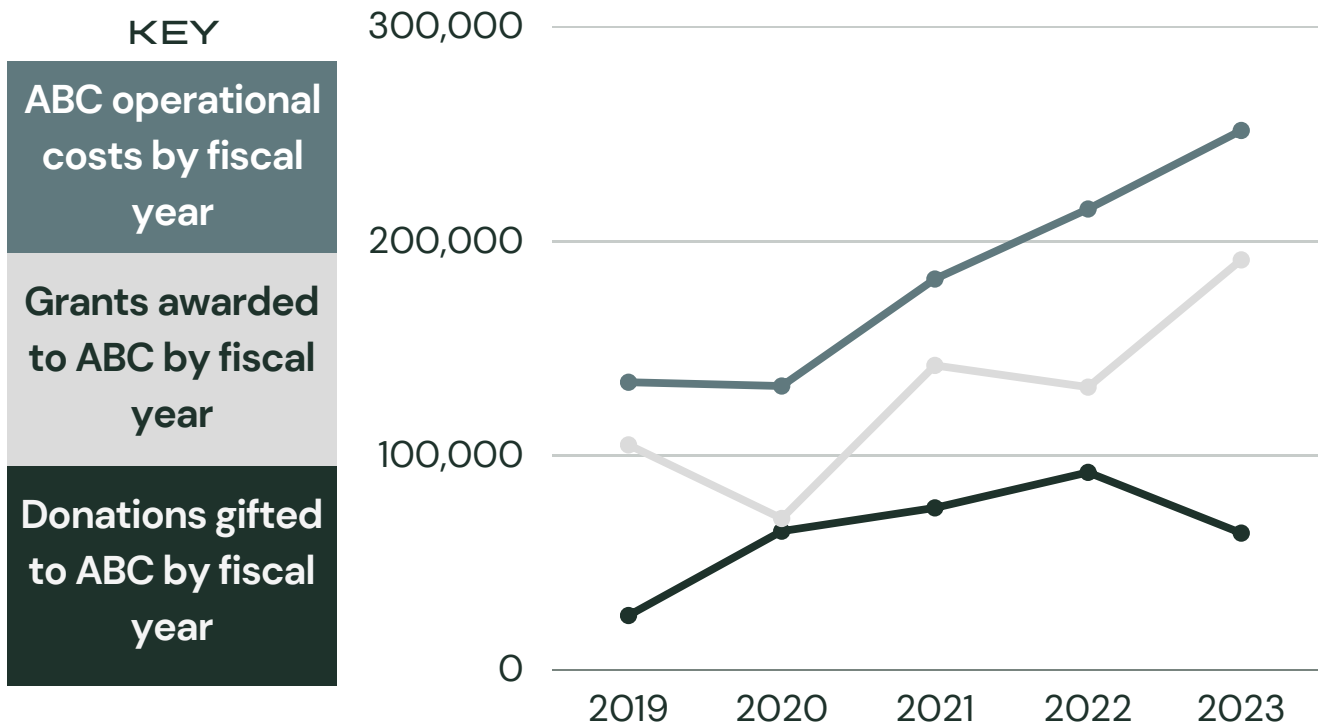
"Thank you so much! As a single mother I would be lost without you."

"Thank you for the ABC program. I recently had an IEP initial evaluation for my daughter and the teachers shared that they were using the ABC time as Tier 2 intervention time when she could work one on one with a teacher who isn't her classroom teacher (good to get another person for different style). They are able to work on homework and reinforce strategies that my daughter refuses to let me help with when she is home. I am grateful."



FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY

ABC was founded in 2018 after Teton School District 401 dissolved its after school program, leaving many young children home alone during after school hours. Since then, it has grown to include 3 centers and serve over 200 at-risk children in Teton Valley through our After School and Summer Camp programs. To support the growth of the organization, ABC has worked to create financial sustainability through increased fundraising efforts.

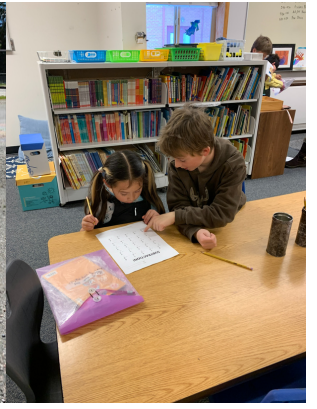


COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Over the last year, we have forged many long-term partnerships with local entities to support the high-quality programming for our students. Many thanks to the following organizations for donating their time, expertise, and resources.

- Teton School District 401
- Teton 4-H
- Teton Rock Gym
- Teton Valley Aquatics
- Teton Arts Council
- Pierre's Pedal Project
- Teton Valley Food Pantry





2023-24 GOALS

1

Assess the needs of the community

ABC aims to support the most vulnerable in our community. As our valley grows and changes, we want to respond accordingly. A needs assessment will be implemented to highlight the areas in which ABC can best support the education of at-risk children in Teton Valley.

2

Develop a new 3-year Strategic Plan

December 2022 marked the end of our most recent strategic plan. That plan paved the way for the things we were able to accomplish over the last three years. To ensure smart and sustainable forward momentum, we will prioritize creating a thoughtful 3-year strategic plan to begin in 2024.

3

Increase staffing to reflect program growth

In the last two years ABC has opened up two new centers and doubled our enrollment. That growth doesn't come without additional work on organizational staff. This spring we hired a Program Coordinator to help administer the After School and Summer Camp programs. We hope to increase that positions hours to further build staff capacity.

4

Address the early learning crisis in Teton Valley

In April 2023 ABC took on the fiscal sponsorship of the Early Learning Collaborative of Teton Valley. This collaborative aims to increase access to safe and high-quality childcare to all children ages 0-5 in Teton Valley.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

We wouldn't be able to provide our programs at the affordable rate that we do if it wasn't for our donors, families, community partners, and friends. Any gift - monetary, in-kind, expertise, or otherwise - is appreciated.

ABC would like to express our gratitude to the following supporters:

- United Way of Idaho Falls and Bonneville County
- Idaho Out-of-School Network
- Community Foundation of Teton Valley
- Teton Springs Foundation
- Idaho Community Foundation
- Silverstar Communications
- Donald C. Brace Foundation
- Spark Foundation

A special thanks to all of our donors who gave through Tin Cup and throughout the year. You have elevated affordable after school and summer programming for at risk children.

The giving period for the 2023 Tin Cup Challenge runs June 15th-July 21st. Please consider a donation to ABC during this year's challenge!



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