

2019 ANNUAL REPORT





MISSION

Oregon Adaptive Sports provides life-changing outdoor recreation experiences to individuals with disabilities. Participants gain confidence, build self-esteem and strive for independence leading to an enhanced quality of life.



PROGRAMS

5283 ATHLETE HOURS

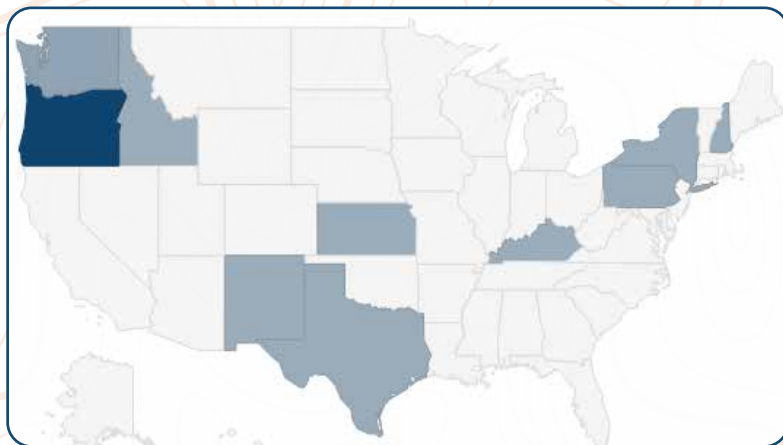
3735 WINTER | **1548** SUMMER

465 UNIQUE INDIVIDUALS
WITH A DISABILITY

313 WINTER | **228** SUMMER

ATHLETES FROM:

14 STATES
+ 3 COUNTRIES



COMMUNITY

The OAS vision in action.

Programs for people of all abilities to come together and participate in outdoor recreation.



In 2019, OAS officially launched **Community Programs** with climbing, cycling, Nordic and a monthly summer multi sport Community Day. The Community Days were an example of the OAS vision in action and a highlight of the summer. People of all ages and abilities came together in four different locations throughout Central Oregon to experience the power and joy that comes from being part of an inclusive outdoor community.

7 LOCATIONS

520 EXPERIENCES

118 ADAPTIVE ATHLETES

172 COMMUNITY MEMBERS

PROGRESS THROUGH PARTNERSHIP

OAS teamed up with Denver based Craig Hospital and local partner Destination Rehab for a week of healing, community and moving through the mountains.

From September 26 - October 1, 2019, OAS launched a new partnership with renowned Craig Hospital, a week long retreat of adventure sport, rehabilitation, and community. Five athletes with spinal cord or brain injuries traveled to Bend to participate in four days of adaptive mountain biking. Supported by the Craig H. Neilsen Foundation, OAS acquired over \$20,000 in new off-road handcycles to accommodate these athletes and a team of OAS staff and volunteers facilitated the week. Local partner Destination Rehab offered evening therapeutic stretching exercises to promote a well-rounded approach to adaptive adventure sport.



"I was fortunate to be a part of the first ever Craig Hospital/OAS collaborative mountain bike trip during the last weekend of September. Mountain biking has been a very important part of my life since I was about 15, and to spend 3 whole days behind a set of handlebars in Bend was absolutely amazing! I really needed this trip, it felt so good to spend hours and hours on some single track. The entire staff at OAS was extremely accommodating and so fun to be around, for the first ever trip they did an amazing job. I will definitely be coming back for many other adaptive sports that they have to offer!"

- Jordan Anderson (pictured right)



DIGNITY OF RISK

“What if we fail? But, what if we never try?”

OAS empowers individuals with disabilities to venture beyond their comfort zones through life-changing outdoor experiences. Learning to ski, mountain bike, paddle, these are all experiences that allow our athletes to develop **CONFIDENCE, SELF-ESTEEM, and INDEPENDENCE** - critical components to a happy, healthy, and thriving life.

Thanks to support from **Travel Oregon** and **Outsight Studios**, OAS premiered it's new film **“The Dignity of Risk”** at the 10th annual Bigstock music festival. Featuring athletes Ashley Schahfer and Dustan Roesener and instructor Leah Persichilli this story explores the importance of risk in the lives of individuals with disabilities.

Watch the entire film on the OAS website!



OAS athlete Dustan (left) and instructor Leah (right)

Filmed & edited by:



This project was funded in part by:



**TRAVEL
OREGON**

VOLUNTEERS



**UNIQUE
VOLUNTEERS**

**213 WINTER
100 SUMMER
81 OUTREACH**



7034 VOLUNTEER HOURS

6639 PROGRAMS | 395 OUTREACH

VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers of the Year



Volunteer of the Winter
KATHY FARRELL

"To all of the great folks at OAS, every experience I have with you and the participants leaves me honored, humbled, and full of joy. Most importantly, thanks for all you do to inspire and empower the OAS community and beyond."



Volunteer of the Summer
MIKE MAGNUSON

"I feel privileged to be a part of OAS. I feel OAS has done more for me than I have been able to do for OAS. You are truly the COOLEST people I have ever met. Awards aren't my thing but if it will help to inspire people to get involved I will accept."



HALL OF FAME

OAS Hall of Fame

OAS recognized the first inductees into the OAS Hall of Fame. This recognizes a lifetime of service and commitment to the OAS mission. Congratulations to Colleen and Kendall, whose vision brought OAS to life almost 25 years ago and whose continued efforts have sustained the organization over many years.

Kendall Cook

CLASS OF 2019

Recognized for service and dedication to the OAS mission



The awards are made from the original OAS volunteer bibs!

Colleen Dougherty

CLASS OF 2019

Recognized for service to OAS and adaptive athletic achievement.

SKI FOR ALL

The 2nd Annual Ski For All | March 16th, 2019

All abilities ski-a-thon and fundraiser for Oregon Adaptive Sports.



OAS is grateful to the incredible community that went above and beyond once again to raise critical support for the OAS mission.

Thanks to our lead sponsors!

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Ascent Capital Management | Cafe Yumm!

Inovia Vein Specialty Centers | St Charles Rehabilitation

SKI FOR ALL STATS:

\$68,288 RAISED

213 COMPETITORS OF ALL ABILITIES

81,323 feet - top vertical feet by Jarred Baker

60,306 feet - vertical by top sit skier Greg Myriallis

840,649 feet - vertical by top team G5

Spirit Award - Mackenzie Hunnicutt
(& team Dare to be a Unicorn!)

Governor's Gala



OAS was selected to be the beneficiary of Oregon Governor Kate Brown's inaugural gala in January of 2019. Athlete Gabe Rousseau gave a speech about OAS' impact on his life in front of over 1000 guests in attendance at the event.

This partnership was developed by the First Gentleman of Oregon, Dan Little, as part of his "Roadmap to the Outdoors" project to ensure that ALL Oregonians have access to the benefits of outdoor recreation. They both also came to visit OAS in Bend!



Bigstock



BIGSTOCK, presented by Bend Magazine, proved to be another unforgettable evening in the high desert. Led by Heather and Ross Johnson, Bigstock raised \$35,000 in support of OAS' programs while providing an incredible event for all at the beautiful home of Gail and Bill McCormick, Coyote Ridge Ranch!

BIGSTOCK LINEUP

Big Head Todd + the Monsters

Freddy Jones Band | Sleepless Truckers | Stealhead

BIGSTOCK SPONSORS

Pine Tavern Restaurant | ASI Wealth Management

Robberson Ford | Meredith Lodging | Crater Lake Spirits

Hayden Homes | Summit Bank

FINANCIALS

REVENUE
\$507,847

**INDIVIDUAL
DONATIONS**
\$150,143

EVENTS
\$94,295

OTHER
\$10,714

PROGRAMS
\$59,027

ORGANIZATIONS
\$98,388

GRANTS
\$95,280

EXPENSES
\$492,206

PROGRAMS
\$366,100

FUNDRAISING
\$38,716

ADMIN
\$65,794

SCHOLARSHIP

At OAS we believe that cost should not be a barrier to participation.

This year we distributed:

**\$43,534
IN SCHOLARSHIPS**



Gerritt Schaffer
OAS Athlete

"I don't know where I would be without OAS and the opportunities they provided to me. They have given me an internal strength that I can do anything. This empowered mindset has spilled over into every area of my life. Today I am a successful person with a disability leading a productive life. I am in a position to inspire others and I have OAS to thank for it."

SPONSORS

\$2,500



\$5,000



\$10,000



\$20,000



Recognizes contributions between 10.1.18 through 9.30.19

PARTNERS



Mt Bachelor and Hoodoo serve as our partners and hosts for OAS' Pacific Northwest leading adaptive alpine ski and snowboard programs. Their annual commitment for serving skiers with disabilities is substantial, from discounted lift tickets, to operational support and facility space, each year Mt Bachelor and Hoodoo are OAS' largest supporting organizations!



Awbrey Glen Golf Club, Smith Rock Climbing School and the Bend Rock Gym make our climbing and golf programs possible and continue to provide more inclusion and access for adaptive athletes and OAS programs.

2020

HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE YEAR AHEAD

Traveling OASIS

OAS aims to bring adaptive sports opportunities to more communities throughout Oregon. With support from the Kelly Brush Foundation, OAS launched this program in early 2020 by assisting Mt Ashland in developing adaptive ski opportunities. Moving forward, OAS will bring its equipment fleet and trained personnel to areas underrepresented in adaptive sports opportunities to increase access to more of Oregon's amazing outdoor spaces.

Thrive Guide

OAS will address the lack of information online for adaptive athletes. OAS is developing a digital resource center to empower more individuals with disabilities to lead an active and thriving life.

Advocacy Leading to Opportunity

OAS is working with numerous local and regional organizations to advocate for increased access to Oregon's outdoor spaces. This includes accessibility projects on the Deschutes River, trail development in the Deschutes National Forest, and park restoration and renovation with the Bend Parks and Recreation District.

OAS TEAM

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(as of 09.30.19)

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We envision a day
where **EVERYONE**
has **ACCESS** to the
benefits of outdoor
recreation regardless
of **ABILITY**.

