

TWILIGHT WISH FOUNDATION

ANNUAL REPORT

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024



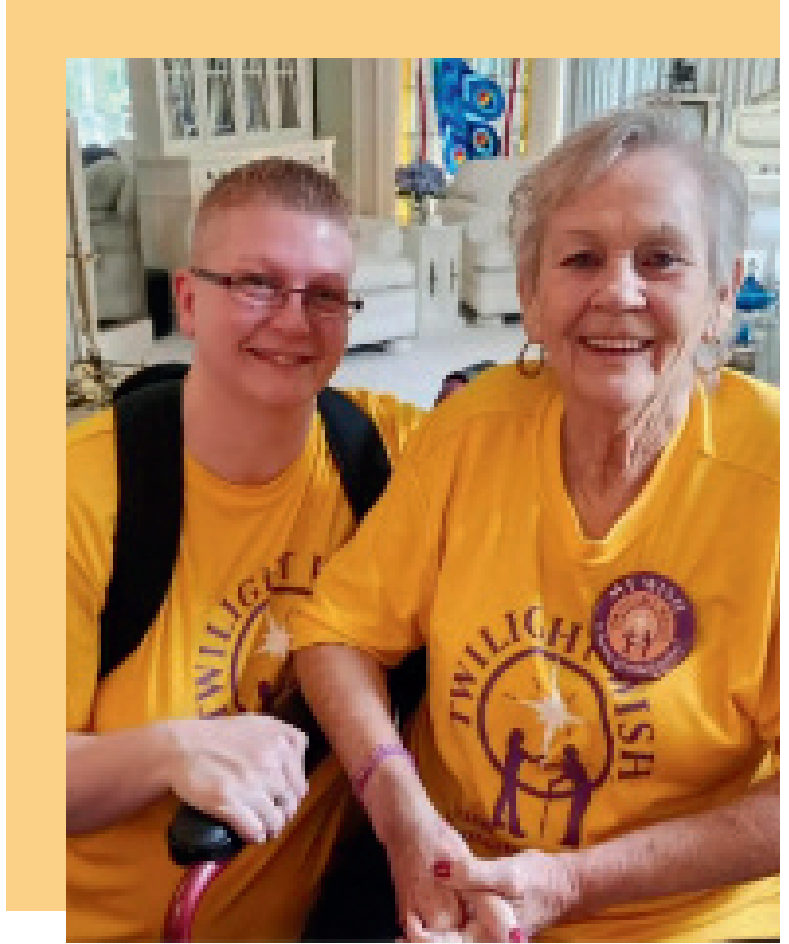


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LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends,

This past fiscal year was once again filled with tremendous growth and good news on many fronts. We exceeded the number of wishes granted last fiscal year with a new record of 760 wishes bringing our total number of wishes granted to 6,110. In addition, we welcomed several new board members and opened chapters in Hampton Roads, Virginia; Wisconsin; Albuquerque, New Mexico; Northern New Jersey and Worcester County, Maryland.

In July, we learned that our founder, Cass Forkin, had been recognized as an extraordinary changemaker for her charitable achievements. Cass was among the ten women named as a 2023 L’Oreal Paris Women of Worth, celebrating female nonprofit leaders working to address our nation’s biggest issues and was chosen from among 10,000 applicants for 2023’s class. In addition to the recognition as one of the Women of Worth, Twilight Wish received a \$25,000 grant from L’Oreal which enabled us to expand with ten new chapters across the United States. L’Oreal sent a film crew to one of our wishes to film Cass and Twilight Wish granting Roger’s wish to sail on the Gazela one more time. Roger had worked on the ship in his younger years and wished to feel the wind in his hair and the waves beneath him one more time. It was a fantastic wish and day for all involved!

We are grateful for the ongoing support of our donors, volunteers, staff and board members. I thank you all for your faith and belief in what we do and look forward to even more growth in the coming year!

Sincerely,

Peter Stinson
Executive Director



MISSION & VISION

Our mission is to honor and enrich the lives of seniors through intergenerational Twilight Wish celebrations. Our vision is to make the world a nicer place to age, one Twilight Wish at a time.

OUR HISTORY

Twilight Wish Foundation, a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, was founded by Cass Forkin on July 1, 2003, in Bucks County, Pennsylvania after a life-changing encounter with several elderly women in a diner. As the women were counting out change to pay for their meal, it became clear to Forkin that they could barely afford even a simple buffet lunch in a diner, so she anonymously paid their bill. They insisted on knowing who treated them and said, “We didn’t know there were still people like you out there. We thought you had forgotten us.” Those comments and the women’s gratefulness for Forkin’s simple gesture led to the realization of the genuine need for a national organization that addressed not only simple and basic needs, but also the higher-level needs for an elder’s wish of a lifetime.

IMPACT

Because of your support, Twilight Wish Foundation was able to do more this year than any previous year! YOU made this possible!

760

Total Wishes Granted

Your support helped 760 Seniors across the United States have their Twilight Wish granted between July 2023–June 2024.

Simple Needs

A Simple Needs Twilight Wish can be for food, clothing, stoves, refrigerators, air conditioners, heaters, mattresses accessibility items. & hearing aids so they can participate in activities and reduce isolation and despair.



395

Living Life to Fullest

A Living Life to the Fullest Twilight Wish can include riding on a motorcycle, having a book published, or taking a ride on a hot air balloon ride.



357

Celebrating a Life

A Celebrating a Life Twilight Wish includes meaningful and nostalgic wishes granted for hospice patients, persons 90 years of age and older or recipients with limited life expectancies.

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SIMPLE NEEDS WISH

Judy's Wish for a lift chair



A nursing home resident in rural Western North Carolina, Judy had lost a lot over the past few years. Her husband passed away in 2017 and, when she could no longer care for herself, Judy moved into her facility. Her favorite thing to do is sit in a reclining lift chair next to her best friend, Wanda. Unfortunately, she sometimes has to share the chair with other residents. Her wish was to have her own chair, something to call her own as she had to give up most of her belongings to move into the facility. Judy truly deserved to have this wish granted as she has fostered over 20 children in her lifetime and also worked with children and adults with exceptional needs. Thanks to our Western North Carolina chapter, her wish was granted in November 2023.



LIVING LIFE TO THE FULLEST WISH

Joe visits Yankees Stadium

At 80 years old, Joe is in declining health with COPD and needs a wheelchair or walker to get around. He is a lifelong Yankees fan, and his one wish was to tour the clubhouse and field before it was too late. In years past, he and his wife took the train from Connecticut to the stadium but that is no longer possible. Thanks to our Connecticut chapter, the New York Yankees rolled out the blue carpet for Joe and his family! Not only did they get to tour the clubhouse and field, but Joe got to try on World Series rings and hold Babe Ruth's baseball bat. It was a day they will never forget. Before he retired, Joe was a respected and much-loved addiction counselor at Connecticut Mental Health Center. He also worked for many years with the homeless in New Haven, helping them obtain housing and mental health support.



CELEBRATING A LIFE WISH

Frances wishes for ballet dancers to perform for her birthday

In early February, we surprised Frances on her 100th birthday with a ballet performance in her nursing facility. Frances was in hospice care at the time. She loved watching ballet and would have enjoyed seeing a performance, but it was difficult for her to leave her facility. Three dancers from a local dance troupe, Dance with Joy, performed for Frances and several of her family members. Frances watched them perform in rapt attention and clapped after every performance. There was not a dry eye in the room! Afterward, she shared stories from her life in Manhattan with the girls including that she was the first female bank teller at the Fifth Avenue Bank in New York City. Her most noteworthy regular customer was First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt and the bank's president was Edward Streeter, businessman and author of several popular novels, including *Father of the Bride*, later made into a Hollywood movie classic. Sadly, Frances passed away two months after her wish was granted.



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above and beyond
to support our mission.



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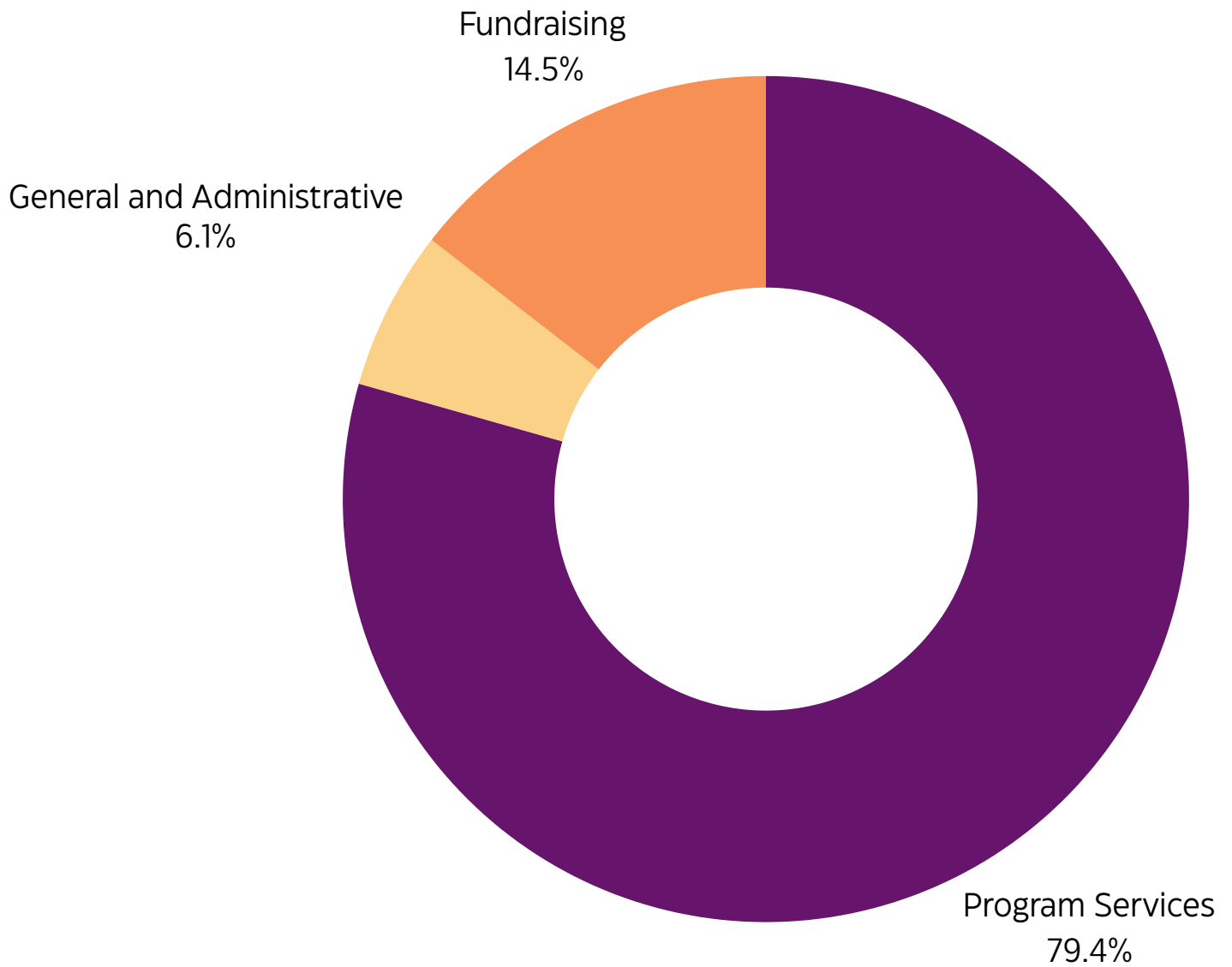
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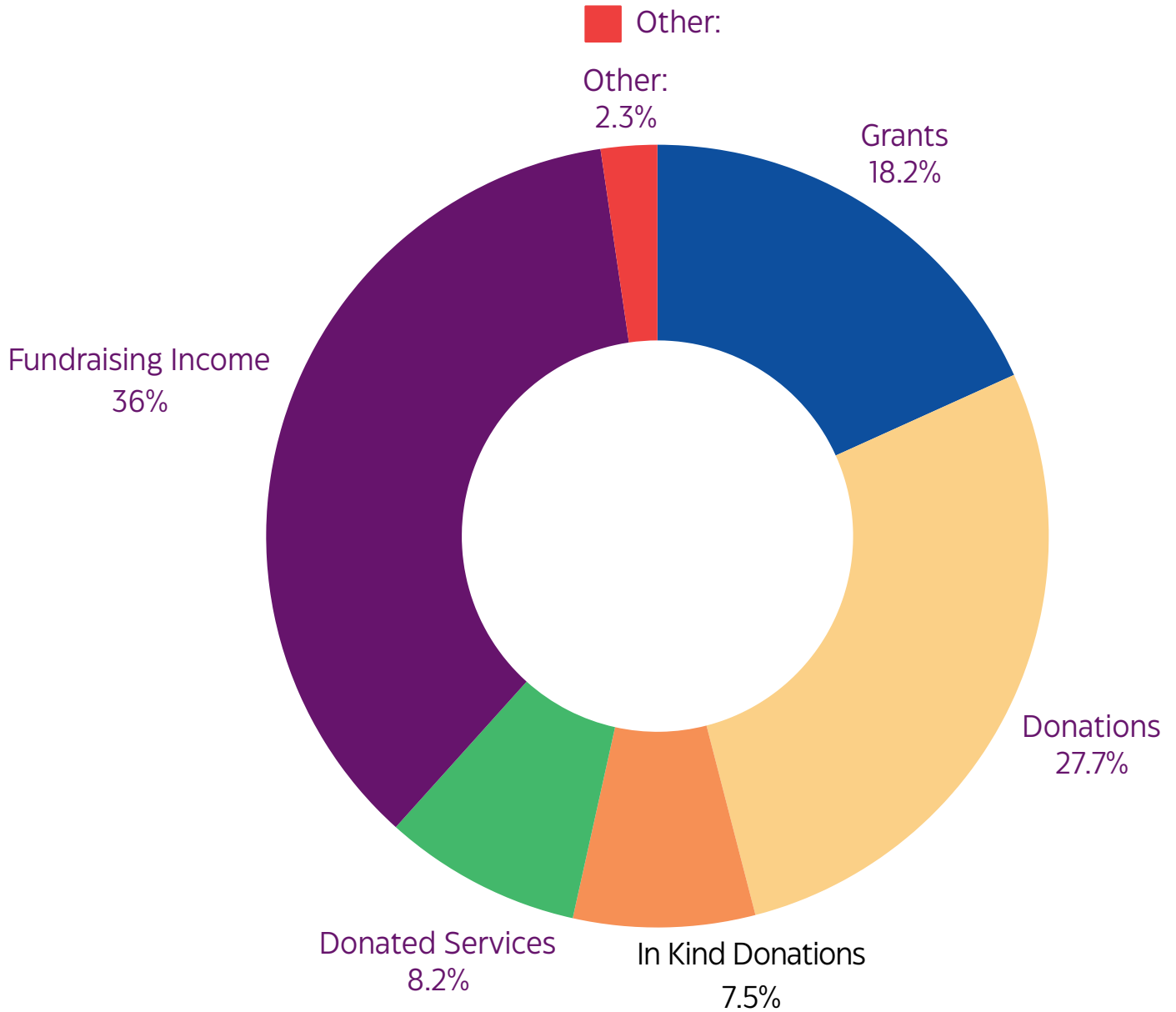
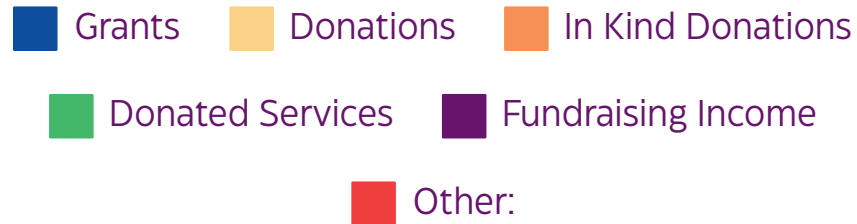
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OneTwilight Wish at a Time**

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