

Annual Report 2023







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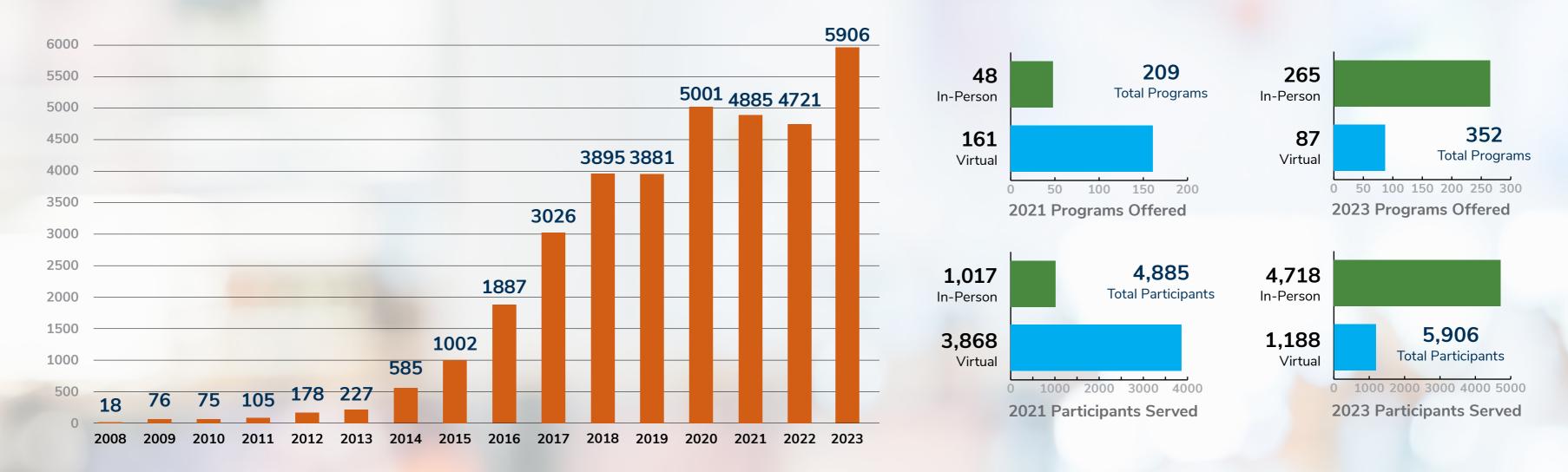
Since Mitch Isaacs took the helm as Executive Director of Shafer Leadership Academy, our sights have been set on growth and innovation.

We've celebrated record-breaking revenues in 2021 and 2022. Despite facing challenges in 2023, including a significant contract reduction from our largest client, our commitment to investing in our future remains unshaken. Growth is rarely a straight line; it demands resilience and adaptability in the face of adversity. This has become the hallmark of the SLA brand. We attribute our success to our flexibility and determination. Even in trying times, we believe in our team's ability to forge new paths forward, turning obstacles into opportunities and ensuring a bright future for our organization. Despite 2023's challenges Shafer Leadership Academy still thrived, excelling in our key metrics, and reaching a diverse group of participants. We've welcomed new member organizations, contributed to vital community initiatives, and launched innovative programs, all while maintaining high satisfaction rates and enhancing our sustainability. Our journey in 2023 has been one of growth, impact, and success. We invite you to explore our supplemental document to see how we've moved forward, together.

Let's celebrate our achievements and look ahead to an even brighter future!



Participants Served Per Year



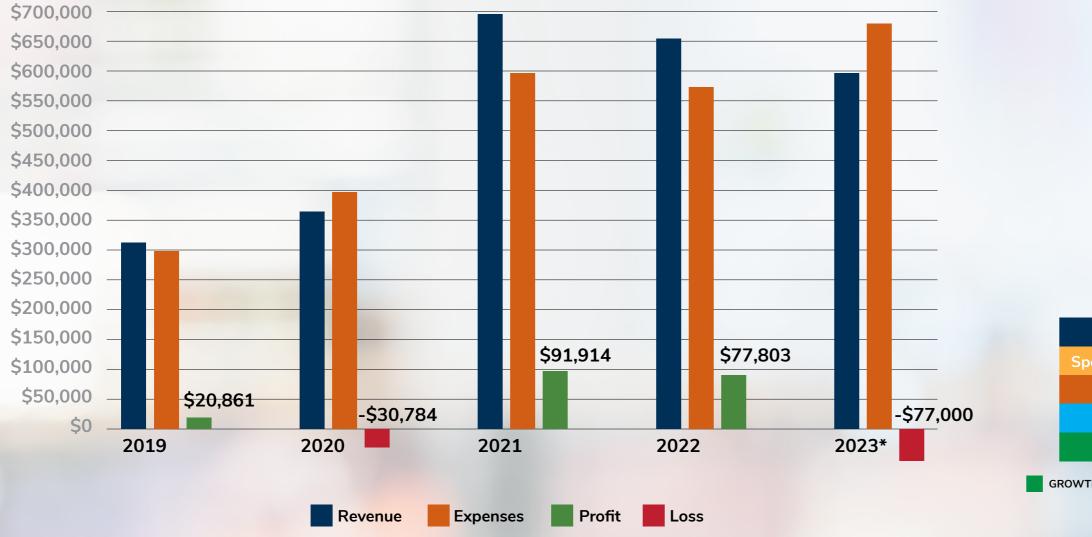
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In-Person vs Virtual Breakdown



Financial Snapshot

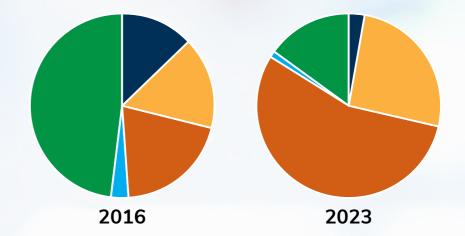
5 YEAR FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT



*2023 revenue / expenses / profit are projected figures

Revenue Breakdown

REVENUE TYPE AS % OF OVERALL INCOME

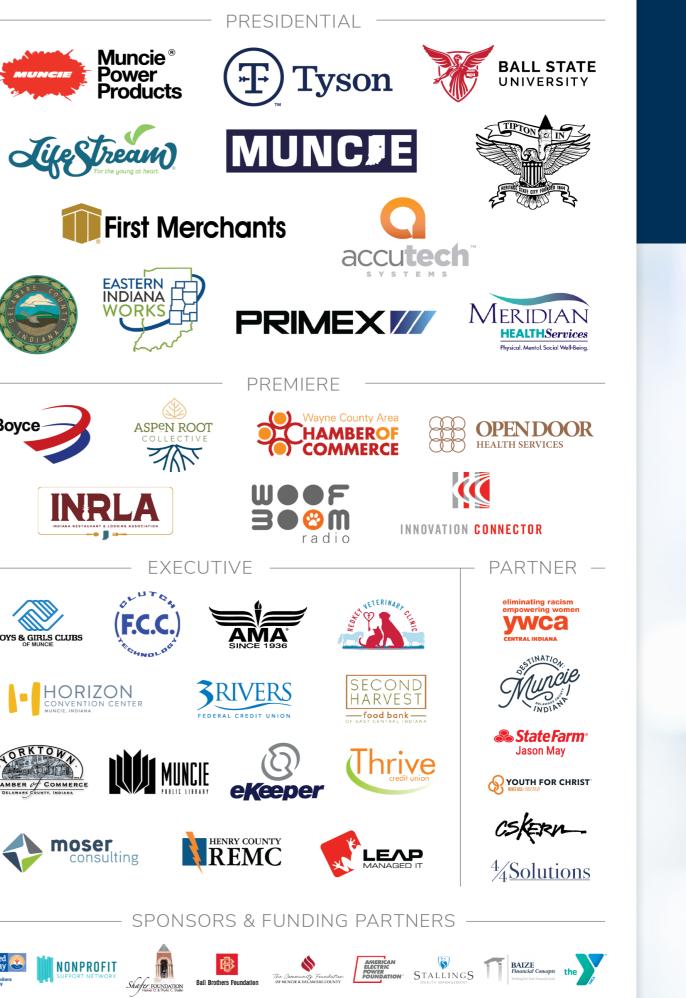


	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Tuition	13%	12%	7%	5%	2%	1%	3%	3%
onsorship/Membership	16%	15%	15%	26%	27%	20%	26%	26%
Custom Programming	20%	29%	38%	33%	32%	52%	56%	54%
Donations	3%	3%	2%	1%	1%	1%	<1%	1%
Grants	48%	42%	38%	34%	38%	26%	15	16%

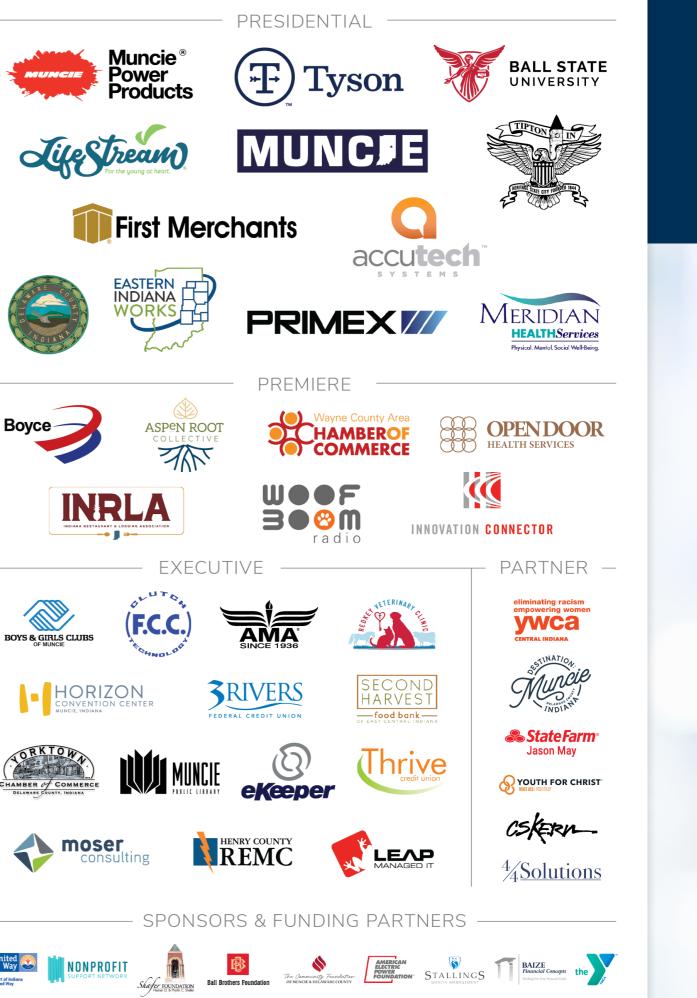
GROWTH IN CUSTOM AND SPONSORSHIP/MEMBERSHIP REVENUE HAS LED TO REDUCTION IN GRANT DEPENDENCY



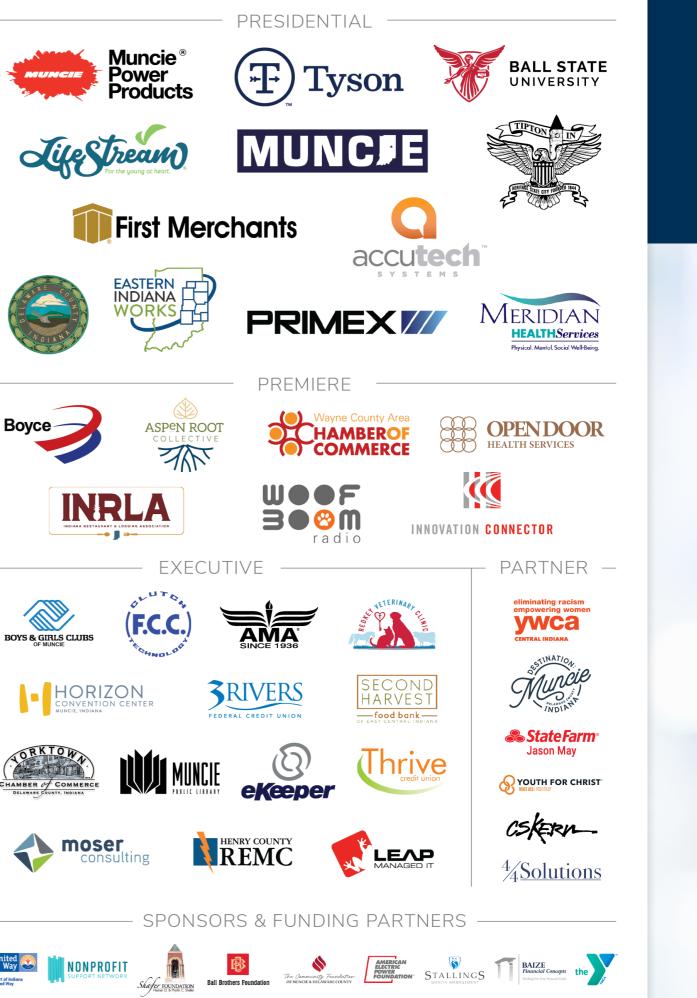




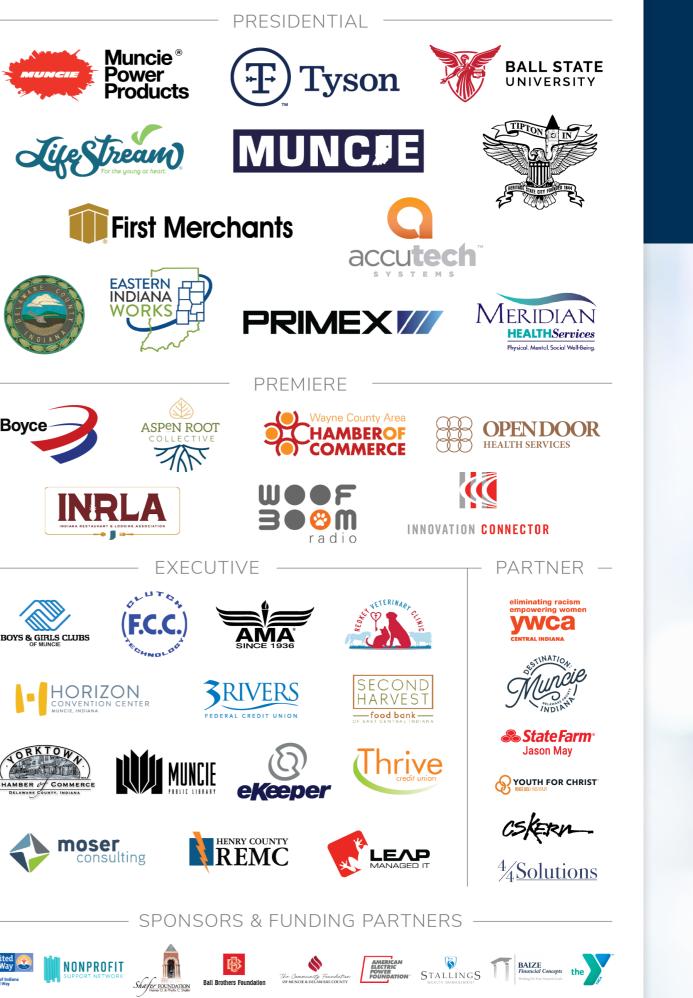


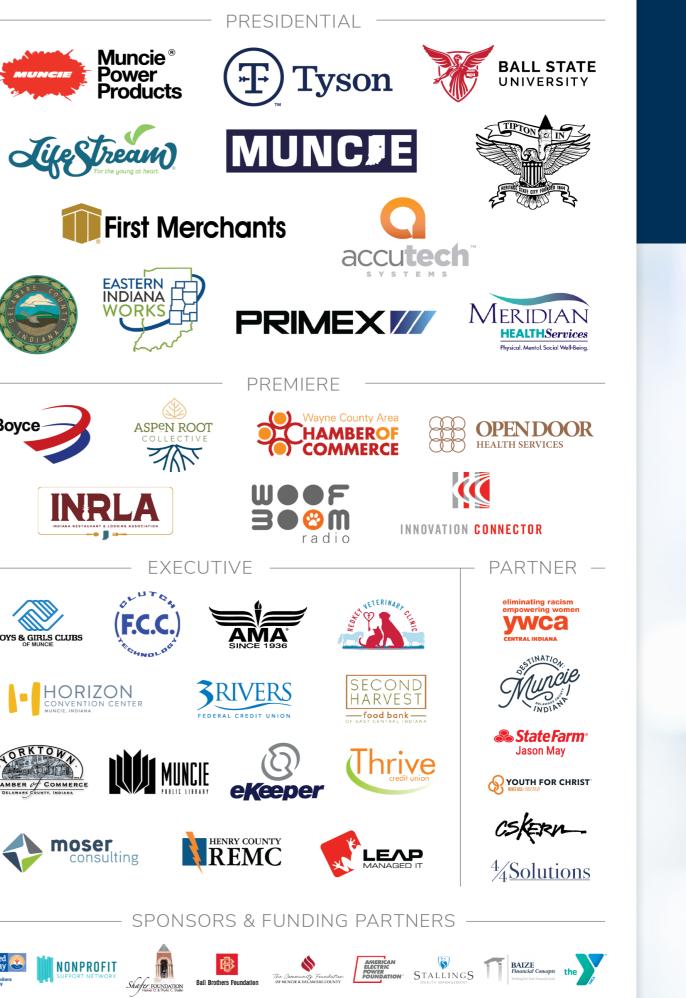












Continued Membership Growth



- City of Muncie
- City of Tipton
- Tyson Foods
- Eastern Indiana Works •
- Primex Plastics •
- Muncie Power Products
- Meridian Health
- LifeStream Services
- Ball State University
- Delaware County Government
- Boyce Systems •
- Aspen Root Collective
- Open Door

- Innovation Connector
- First Merchant's Bank
- Yorktown Chamber of Commerce
- Muncie Public Library
- WoofBoom Radio
- eKeeper
- Wayne County Chamber
- Boy's and Girls Club
- INRLA
- FCC Portland
- Accutech
- Leap IT
- Second Harvest

- Academy of Model Aeronautics
- Redkey Veterinary Clinic
- Horizon Convention Center
- YWCA
- 3Rivers Federal Credit Union
- Moser Consulting
- Henry County REMC
- Destination Muncie
- State Farm Jason May
- Youth for Christ
- CS Kern
- 4/4 Solutions





2023 DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION PROGRAMS

- Total Offered 13
 - How Speaking Differently Matters–Embracing Linguistic Diversity
 - An Introvert's Guide to Mastering Small Talk
 - Queerology 101
 - The Language of Disability
 - **Understanding Dementia Friendliness: Inclusion for All**
 - **Understanding how Bias Impacts our Communication**
 - **Facilitating Unbiased Conversations**
 - Leaders are Inclusive: Fostering a Welcoming Workplace
 - Managing Workplace Bias
 - **Fusion: Leading Multigenerational Teams**
 - **Building Differences Through Art**
 - **Opening Conversations on Identity**
 - Neuroleadership 101

2023 SLA FACILITATORS:

- Women 27
- People of Color 7
- Open members of the LGTBQ community 4
- Differently abled 5



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COMMUNITY INCLUSION AMBASSADORS: • 1:1 meetings with 161 community members from diverse backgrounds • 135 hours attending community events





SI A Staff

Mitch Isaacs Executive Director

Tisha Gierhart Program Director

Jeff Robinson **Development Director**

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Charlize Jamieson Community Inclusion Ambassador

Gabrielle "Gabby" Lloyd Community Inclusion Ambassador

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Grow your people.

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