



2021 Annual Report


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February 11, 2022

Dear Friend,

The Arc of El Paso has been part of the El Paso community for decades. While we can trace our history back almost forty years, during the past year we received information that suggests The Arc of El Paso may have been active in our community since the late 1960s or early 1970s. Founded through grassroots efforts and advocating for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, the organization through the years has had periods of growth and decline. Our trajectory is onward and upward, and we intend to keep it that way. Your volunteer Board of Directors is committed to growing our place within the El Paso Borderland Region, expanding organizational capacity while we continue to work tirelessly to build an equitable, just and strong community, acting as a hub for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) and their families through delivery of services and education.

Even with the challenges of the pandemic, we launched the Arc Adventure Club to provide social and recreational opportunities to youth and young adults, and that initiative came to us through a request of a self-advocate. We continued our training series, advocated against proposed Sun Metro Fare increases, and provided individual consultation and advocacy services. We even hosted our first Everyday Heroes of IDD Awards Banquet. To be relevant in our community we will continue to be responsive to community needs that align to our mission. As we become aware of these needs, we begin finding solutions. I am thankful for the support of the Board of Directors, our many donors and funders, and our numerous friends who make our work possible, and welcome your review of this annual report and our accomplishments during 2021.

Sincerely,



Tom Laign,
President



Planning for Those with Special Needs

- 82% of caregivers are concerned they do not have enough financial resources to last their disabled relative's lifetime.
- 77% of caregivers are concerned they won't be able to retire.
- 70% believe they will have to compromise their own retirement plans in order to provide for their dependent with special needs
- 60% of caregivers with life insurance have less than \$300,000 of coverage and fewer than half have the protection of whole life coverage. However, the lifetime cost of caring for a dependent with autism is between \$1.4 and \$2.4 million.
- 73% of caregivers don't have long term care insurance.
- 87% are concerned about what will happen to their child with disabilities when they (mom/dad) are no longer living.

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Connecting for IDD 2022



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Connecting for IDD 2022



For the new year, we invite you to join us in connecting for IDD. At The Arc of El Paso, we are for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD), and to start 2022, we are providing an educational series that will strengthen your ability to support the people with IDD in your life. Whether a



What We Did

Advocacy and Consultation

During 2021, 72 individuals were provided assistance. Most contacts were inquiries regarding services and programs we offer. Many consultations assisted with elements of future planning, and a lesser number regarded concerns over changes to publicly administered services. Some consultations provided assistance in concept development for micro-enterprises. During the year, we took a stand with the community against proposed fare increases for public transit, and those proposed fare increases were delayed.

Arc Ambassadors

Our Arc Ambassadors were busy during 2021 and served as a face for the organization in the community during many community and organization events, and also served as host at the Social Drop-In Center.

Arc Adventure Club

Started during 2021 in response to a constituent request, we served 39 unique individuals with 34 individuals participating more than twice. Activities were geared for youth and young adults and occurred in many different locations in the community as well as our Social Drop-In Center. Initial funding for this was provided by the Pulte Family Charitable Foundation.

Membership

During 2021, we had 12 members with paid membership and 66 members with free membership. Members with paid membership are eligible to vote during the annual meeting and serve on the Board of Directors.

Social Drop-In Center

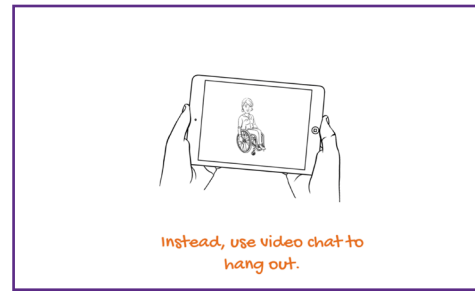
COVID-19 continued to influence the use of the Social Drop-In Center, and throughout the year there was an increased usage of the facility. Some activities for the Arc Adventure Club were held here, and multiple face-to-face consultations with constituents were held. The location even hosted meetings with some of our community partners. During 2021, an adult changing table was added to one of the restrooms.

Social Media and Electronic Newsletter Presence

During 2021, we had 1853 followers on Facebook, and began growing other social media channels including Instagram with 279 followers, Twitter with 110 followers. We also uploaded 27 videos to our YouTube Channel.

Trainings

During 2021, we provided 6 trainings on topics related to future planning and public transit and these had 114 participants. An additional 842 individuals have viewed recordings of these webinars made available through social media.



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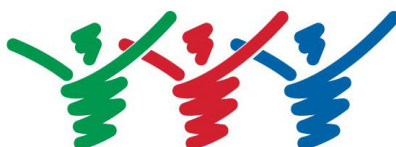
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Solid On Our Commitments

Grants Concluded

During 2021, we concluded a grant from the Edith Zanker Fund through the El Paso Community Foundation and the Paso Del Norte Health Foundation. These grants provided financial resources to provide messaging on COVID-19, future planning, and to hire Arc Ambassadors.



PASO DEL NORTE HEALTH FOUNDATION

We also concluded a grant from the Pulte Family Charitable Foundation which gave us the resources to launch the Arc Adventure Club. We are currently expanding services available through the Arc Adventure Club. The Pulte Family Charitable Foundation is a private family foundation working to meet the basic human needs of the most marginalized members of the human family.



Everyday Heroes of IDD Awards Banquet

We delivered on a promise that because of COVID-19 was put on hold since 2020 with our inaugural Everyday Heroes of IDD Awards Banquet held October 7th. Sponsored by Amerigroup, and held at Education Service Center Region 19 through their donation of the facility, this event celebrates the unsung heroes, the everyday heroes who make a difference in the lives of people with IDD, and during 2021 we recognized 8 individuals in the community.



Grants Received

During 2021, we were awarded a grant from The Walter H. Hightower Foundation through the El Paso Community Foundation to expand opportunities for individuals with IDD and their families to be more engaged after sheltering in isolation during COVID-19. This work will be accomplished as we move into 2022.

We are also grateful for amounts received from An Alternative House and the Braden About Memorial Foundation that were given to help cover operating costs.

Legacy Donor

We extend our gratitude to Guerra Investment Advisors for their continued generosity shown to The Arc of El Paso.



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Statement of Financial Position

As of December 31, 2021

	TOTAL
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
Checking (2126)	486.09
Savings (0730)	23.24
Encumbered Savings	0.00
Total Savings (0730)	23.24
WestStar Checking-0919	23,247.20
Total Bank Accounts	\$23,756.53
Other Current Assets	
Payroll Advance	0.00
Refundable Deposit	350.00
Total Other Current Assets	\$350.00
Total Current Assets	\$24,106.53
Fixed Assets	
Furniture and Equipment	8,354.08
Total Fixed Assets	\$8,354.08
Other Assets	
Payroll Clearing	0.00
Total Other Assets	\$0.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$32,460.61
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
Payroll Liabilities	0.00
Total Other Current Liabilities	\$0.00
Total Current Liabilities	\$0.00
Total Liabilities	\$0.00
Equity	
Retained Earnings	29,899.34
Net Revenue	2,561.27
Total Equity	\$32,460.61
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$32,460.61

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Statement of Activity January - December 2021

	TOTAL
Revenue	
Donations	
Membership Donation	440.30
Regular Donations	11,800.04
Special Usage	18,312.50
Total Donations	30,552.84
Total Revenue	\$30,552.84
GROSS PROFIT	\$30,552.84
Expenditures	
Advertising & Marketing	2,554.77
Advertising and Promotion	248.00
Arc Adventure Club Expenses	928.30
Bank Charges & Fees	0.00
Business Licenses and Permits	5.14
Cleaning Expenses	19.98
Computer Expenses	0.00
Conferences and Meetings	0.00
Depreciation Expense	1,308.94
Donation Expenses	61.97
Gifts	125.00
Insurance	0.00
Insurance Expense	1,902.00
Meals & Entertainment	0.00
Meeting Meals	1,324.67
Membership Fees	478.00
Miscellaneous Expense	0.00
Office Supplies & Expense	0.00
Office Supplies & Software	547.13
Payroll Expenses	1,034.99
Payroll Tax-FICA	1,066.65
Payroll Tax-TWCC	131.58
Salaries & Wages	9,546.49
Total Payroll Expenses	11,779.71
Postage and Delivery	120.20
Printing and Reproduction	662.20
Rent & Lease	0.00
Rent Expense	4,200.00
Supplies	81.67
Telephone & Internet Expense	1,162.09
Translation Services	500.00
Uncategorized Expense	0.00
	TOTAL
Utilities	0.00
Total Expenditures	\$28,009.77
NET OPERATING REVENUE	\$2,543.07
Other Revenue	
Interest Income	18.20
Total Other Revenue	\$18.20
Other Expenditures	
Other Miscellaneous Expenditure	0.00
Total Other Expenditures	\$0.00
NET OTHER REVENUE	\$18.20
NET REVENUE	\$2,561.27

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*Visit us at the Social Drop-In Center located at
Sunland Park Mall, upper level close to Monkey Rock.*

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