

NET RESULTS JUNIOR TENNIS

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MISSION

The mission of Net Results Junior Tennis is to increase children's academic and life skills through the sport of tennis. We use tennis, in addition to tutoring, because success in tennis requires many of the same skills as success in the classroom and community: focus, integrity, managing emotions, teamwork and avoidance of unhealthy activities.



HISTORY

Net Results was founded in 1993 by a school social worker, Prilla O'Connell, searching for a way to reach her most challenging students. Noticing the tennis courts across the street, and being an avid tennis player, she thought that perhaps by transferring some of the skills required to play tennis; discipline, focus, self-esteem, accountability, etc., she might be able to reach these students. She had them set academic and behavioral goals, and met with them weekly to chart their progress. In addition, they received free tennis instruction. The program was a success; her students improved their grades, were more connected to their school and community and achieved their personal goals. Over 2,000 students have participated in the Net Results program since its inception.

GOALS

The Net Results program is unique in Denver, and fills a community need by demonstrating the importance of healthy, active lifestyles in addition to providing safe out of school experiences that nurture and develop the whole child: physically, mentally and emotionally.

The goals of Net Results are as follows: 1) To improve the **academic achievement, life and leadership skills** of youth in elementary, middle and high school. 2) To improve the **behavior** of our school age youth -- demonstrating sportsmanship, improving attitude towards school, self and community, helping make positive and healthy life choices. 3) To increase **access to tennis programs and health education** for low income, culturally diverse youth -- access to coaching and all necessary equipment as well as providing moderate to vigorous exercise two to four times a week and access to health/nutrition lessons and activities.

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WHO WE SERVE



Net Results runs after school and summer programs in Northeast and Northwest Denver. We take our program right into the schools and neighborhoods that need us most – Title I schools with high risk populations, low incomes and low test scores.

DEMOGRAPHICS

Age: 7-18

Gender: 53% Boys; 47% Girls

African American - 55%

Hispanic - 30%

Asian - 3%

Other - 4%

Caucasian - 8%

From a family income of:

0-27k - 56%

28-43k - 29%

44-54k - 6%

55-65k - 1%

65k+ - 8%

50% of our students are living in families that have 3 or more children.

From households with:

1 adult - 31%

2 adults - 51%

3 adults - 16%

4 adults - 2%

47% have lived at their current address for one year or less.

2008/2009 PROGRAM SUMMARY

274 Students Served

School Year Program: 177 children

Number of Schools: 9

Number of Programs: 10

Elementary Schools: Ashley, Florida Pitt Waller, Philips, Valdez

Middle Schools: Hill, Horace Mann, Skinner, Smiley, Wheat Ridge

Summer Camps: 97 children

Locations: Skinner and Smiley Middle Schools



IMPACT

The post-test results administered by our tutors, many who are Denver Public School Teachers, yielded the following results:

82% of our students showed a marked improvement in their academic performance.

85% of our students showed a marked improvement in leadership skills.

75% of our students showed a marked improvement in attentiveness and behavior.

82% said the Net Results program helped them make positive life choices.

91% of our students called Net Results a supportive & caring environment.

93% reported an increase in their fitness level.



ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Three of our middle school programs participated in USTA Colorado's Middle School League.

Three of our students were awarded Colorado Youth Tennis Foundation scholarships for tennis related needs.

Three of our students were selected to participate in the national USTA Tennis & Leadership Camp, in which only 40 youth from across the country were invited to attend. The camp incorporated tennis activities, but also focused on team building, leadership and community service activities.

During our summer programs, we fielded five USTA Junior Team Tennis teams, and three advanced to the State Championships.

Net Results was named one of 16 First Serve Chapters-in-Development. First Serve is a national tennis and education organization that, in conjunction with the developers of the First Tee life skills curriculum, has created a highly rated national life skills curriculum. This curriculum will supplement our established programming and give our students the opportunity to receive First Serve college scholarships.



The Net Results program promotes positive values, healthy habits, character development and real-life skills that empower students with the tools they need to be responsible, productive and successful in school and in life.

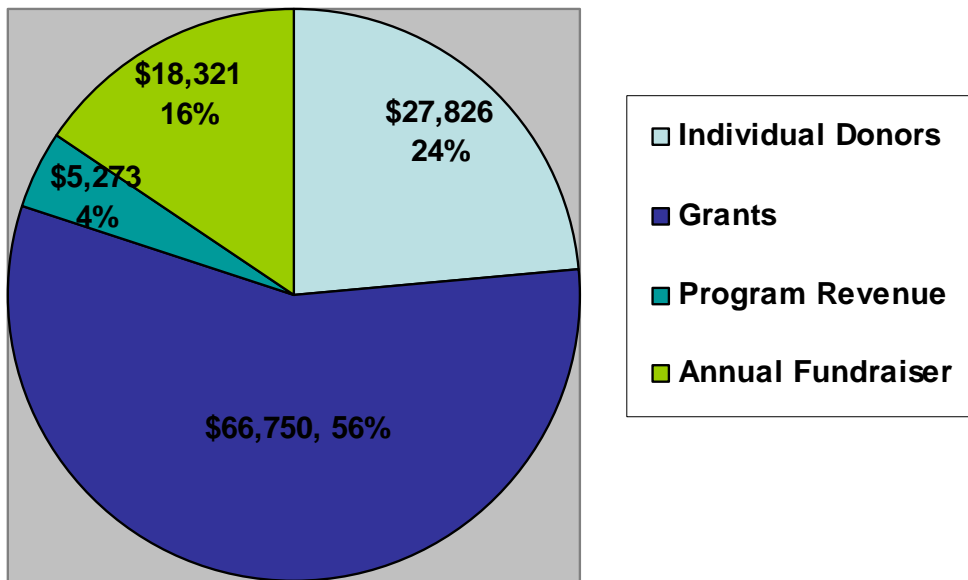
2008/2009 FINANCIALS

Total Revenue - \$118,170**

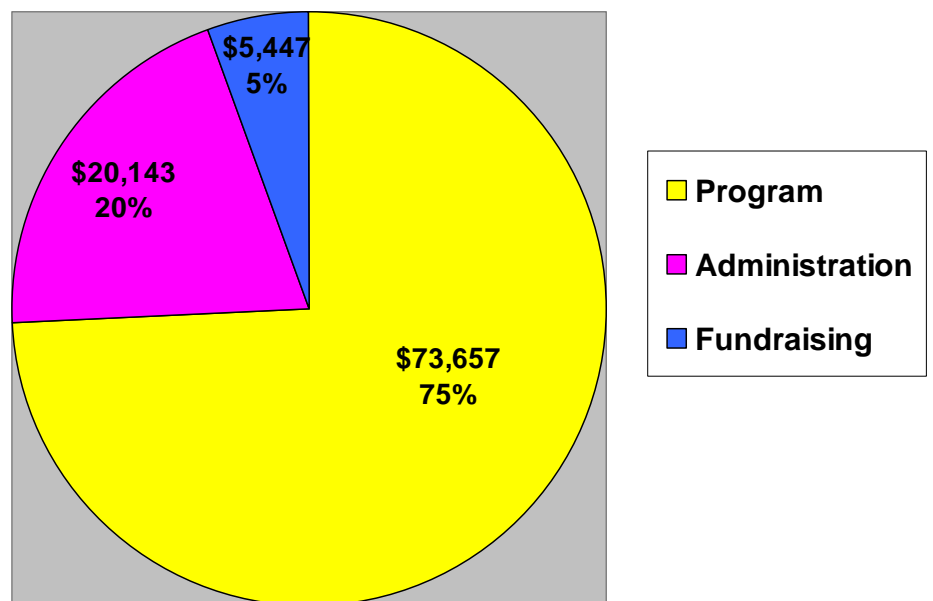
Total Expenses - \$99,847

** The most money Net Results has raised in its fifteen year history.

Revenue



Expenses



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