



2017 Annual Report



Bronx, NY



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Dear Pitch In For Baseball Family:

2017 was a watershed year for Pitch In For Baseball. There is simply no other way to describe it. We started out with the bold goal of helping 100,000 kids for the year. Our prior record was 52,000 kids which was established in 2016, so achieving this goal would be a major step for us.

Not only did we meet that goal, we smashed it. In total, we completed a staggering 531 projects which helped 136,000 kids play baseball or softball. Truly impressive.

How did we get there? First, we have an incredible staff. For any of you who have gotten to know Meredith, Steve, or Bri, you know how bright, efficient, and committed they are to helping kids play ball. Second, we had the equipment. Through increased financial support and a larger pool of equipment donors, we could say yes to all of these projects because the equipment was there to fulfill the need. Third, we continue to expand the scope and scale of our partnerships to ensure that we continue to reach communities in need. Pitch In For Baseball could not impact this number of kids without the support of Little League International, Major League Baseball, USA Baseball, Wilson Sporting Goods, Under Armour, our major donors and our numerous and growing list of MLB team partners (Dodgers, Twins, Yankees, Reds, and Phillies).

2018 is shaping up to be a special year as well. On January 20, we launched Pitch In For Softball to increase access to the game and to promote leadership and youth development in young girls. We are also taking on the challenge of helping those communities in Houston, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands who lost everything in the hurricanes during 2017.

Thank you for being a part of the Pitch In For Baseball team. Our donors play such an important role in helping us to achieve our goals. Thank you, for supporting our mission and supporting so many children. We're so thankful you have trusted us with your support.

Warm Regards,

David Rhode
Founder/CEO



2017: A Year in Review



88%

of states in the US
received an equipment
grant from PIFB in 2017

9

equipment donations
shipped to Africa
in 2017

8,769

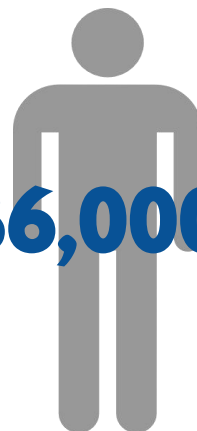
Pieces of equipment were
shipped to the Philippines
Little League that serves
over 30,000 kids

2.4+ million



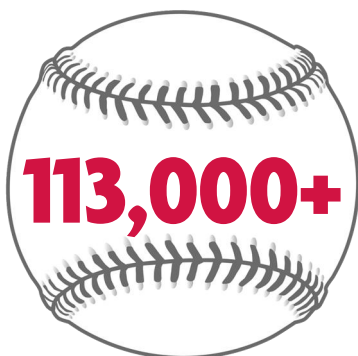
Worth of equipment
distributed in 2017

136,000+



Kids served in 2017

113,000+



Pieces of equipment
distributed in 2017

About PIFB

Mission

Pitch In For Baseball (PIFB) is a registered 501 (c)(3) not for profit organization that provides new and gently used baseball and softball equipment to boys and girls in the United States and around the world who want to play ball but lack the equipment to do so. PIFB helps to reduce barriers to play by providing equipment grants directly to leagues, schools, teams, and organizations to start, continue, and/or expand their youth baseball programs.

Core Programs

- Domestic and International Equipment Grants—PIFB equipment grants are designed to help leagues, teams, and community organizations around the globe get the proper equipment to play baseball and softball. Grantees complete required annual reporting detailing the impact of our donation. PIFB averages 500 projects each year.
- School Based Program—Launched in 2008, PIFB's School Based Program and partnerships continue to grow each year. Our School Based Program helps schools/districts stretch limited budgets, reduce participation fees, and shift funds to other areas such as transportation.
 - ⇒ Northern Kentucky: Considered a part of “Reds Territory”, PIFB, the Red, and St. Elizabeth Healthcare launched a School Based Program in 2017. The program impacted 5 baseball and 5 softball teams and helped over 200 kids get on the field. The program will continue in 2018.
 - ⇒ Bronx: In 2016, PIFB was able to launch a School Based Program in the Bronx in a partnership with the Yankees. The program was again a success in 2017 with 86% of students who participated in the program increasing their attendance at school.
 - ⇒ Chicago: Longtime supporter Wilson Sporting Goods again presented a School Based Program in Chicago in 2017. Over 300 students in the program and 87% of those students improved their grades as a result of getting on the field—a 15% increase from 2016.
- Disaster Relief Programs—In times of tragedy, children are the most affected. Baseball can help to restore a sense of normalcy amidst the chaos. PIFB has helped to rebuild entire leagues and thousands of kids to start their season on time. PIFB has assisted with relief efforts in NY/NJ shoreline following Hurricane Sandy; Joplin, MO; the Gulf Coast region; Japan; and in Houston, TX after major flooding hit the area in 2016.
 - ⇒ West Virginia: Major flooding in the spring of 2016 destroyed equipment at White Sulphur Springs Little League, Clendenin Little League, Western Greenbrier Little League, and Herbert Hoover High School. Generous funders such as the Tull Family Foundation came together to make sure these kids could play ball again. PIFB donated over \$22,000 worth of equipment to the teams.
 - ⇒ Baton Rouge: After severe flooding impacted Baton Rouge, former MLB player Ryan Theriot knew he wanted to do something to help the teams who lost all their equipment. Ryan was referred to PIFB and immediately went to work identifying local schools that needed help replacing their gear. PIFB was able to provide 4 programs with over \$75,000 worth of gear to help these kids get on the field again.
- Kids Helping Kids: Youth Philanthropy— Whether for school service learning, Bar/Bat Mitzvahs, Eagle Scouts, or for fun, nearly 200 kids choose PIFB each year as their charitable partner. About 60% of the equipment PIFB gives away each year comes from the efforts of motivated, caring kids who run collections and fundraise on PIFB's behalf.



The PIFB Team



David Rhode

CEO

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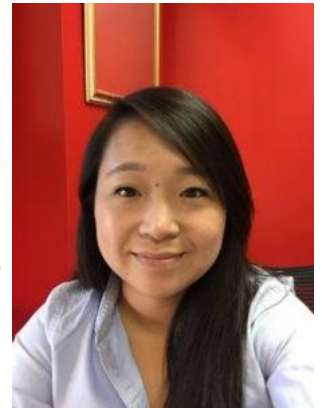
An avid sports fan and father of three, David created Pitch In For Baseball in 2005 as a way to bring the joy of baseball to all kids. Before David founded Pitch In For Baseball, he ran his own business for 12 years. He also has Marketing Management experience with Procter & Gamble and HJ Heinz. David holds a BS in Marketing from Georgetown University and his Masters in Business Administration from the Wharton School.

Meredith Kim

COO

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A former little leaguer and varsity softball player throughout high school, Meredith fully embraces the impact of sports on youth development. With a B.A. in English from Dickinson College, she brings her 15+ years of progressive fundraising experience and skills to diversify and grow PIFB's funding base in addition to helping the organization to measure and communicate impact more effectively. Meredith also oversees partnership development, fundraising efforts, and special events.



Steve Bizon

Director of Operations & Programs

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A lifelong sports fan with dreams of having a job in the sports industry, Steve joined the PIFB team in May 2013 as an Operations intern. After graduating Summa Cum Laude from Gwynedd-Mercy University with a degree in Sport Management, Steve remained with PIFB full time. He is responsible for all equipment grant requests as well as equipment donations.

Bri Kuhn

Development and Communications Manager

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As a collegiate softball player, Sport Management major, and overall sports enthusiast, Bri brings a unique perspective to the PIFB team. In addition to playing softball during her time at Alvernia University, Bri also served as the President of the Sport Management Association and received the university's Excellence in Sport Management award. Bri has played softball since age 8 and is looking forward to helping to expand PIFB's softball outreach.



2017 Projects: United States



Alabama		Colorado		Chicago Park District		Kentucky	
Brindlee Mtn HS Baseball	Arab	Arvada HS Baseball	Arvada	Collins Acad. HS	Chicago	Bellevue High School	Bellevue
Escambia County HS Baseball	Atmore	Aurora Central HS Baseball	Aurora	Deneen School of Exc.	Chicago	Holmes High School	Covington
Kings Home	Hayden	Horns LL Baseball	Aurora	Dewey School of Exc.	Chicago	Holy Cross High School	Covington
Lanett HS Baseball	Lanett	Boys & Girls Clb of Larimer	Ft Collins	Dulles School of Exc.	Chicago	Dayton High School	Dayton
Monroe County HS	Monroeville	La Junta Yth Baseball	La Junta	Dvorak School of Exc.	Chicago	Crosstown Baseball	Independence
River Region RBI	Montgomery	Sterling Baseball Org	Sterling	Eric Solorio Academy HS	Chicago	Jenkins MS Baseball	Jenkins
Boys & Girls Club Southeast AL	Ozark	Connecticut		Gage Park HS Softball	Chicago	Central Kentucky RBI	Lexington
Arizona		Boys & Girls Clb of Hartford	Hartford	George W Curtis School	Chicago	Newport High School	Newport
Boys & Girls Club of East Valley	Mesa	Field of Dreams	New Britain	Gresham School of Exc.	Chicago	Silver Grove School	Silver Grove
Paradise HS Baseball	Surprise	Delaware		Herzl School of Exc.	Chicago	Louisiana	
Marcos de Niza HS	Tempe	Odyssey Charter	Wilmington	Isabell O'Keeffe	Chicago	BREC	Baton Rouge
McClintock HS	Tempe	Florida		John Harvard	Chicago	Denham Springs HS Sball	Baton Rouge
Mountain Pointe HS Baseball	Tempe	Cocoa LL	Cocoa	Julia Ward Howe School	Chicago	Istrouma High School	Baton Rouge
Tempe High School	Tempe	Eustis LL	Eustis	Lake View HS Baseball	Chicago	Runnels HS Baseball	Baton Rouge
Boys & Girls Club of Tucson	Tucson	Jacksonville RBI	Jacksonville	Lewis Village HS Baseball	Chicago	St. Amant High School	Baton Rouge
Freedom Little League	Tucson	Evan Michael Chambers Yth	Lakeland	Little Village HS Baseball	Chicago	Lacassine High School	Lacassine
Arkansas		Pine Castle Area LL Inc	Orlando	Lost Boyz Inc	Chicago	Lake Charles Prep	Lake Charles
Clarendon Youth Athletics	Clarendon	Pensacola RBI	Pensacola	Marquette School of Exc.	Chicago	Singer HS Baseball	Singer
Johnson Westside School	Hartman	Riviera Beach RBI	Riviera Beach	McNair School of Exc.	Chicago	RBI Softball Regionals	New Orleans
Hall HS Baseball	Little Rock	The Debra League	Saint Cloud	Melville W Fuller School of	Chicago	Maine	
Little Rock Parkview HS	Little Rock	Tampa RBI	Tampa	Morton School of Exc.	Chicago	Medway Rec Dept	East Millinocket
California		Historic Dodgertown	Vero Beach	National Teacher's Academy	Chicago	Maryland	
All Out Baseball	Antelope	Boys&Girls of WPB RBI	W Palm Beach	Orr Academy HS	Chicago	Patterson High School	Baltimore
Boys & Girls Club of Kern	Bakersfield	Georgia		Pablo Casals School of Exc.	Chicago	Bladensburg HS Baseball	Ellicott City
West Valley Yth Lge	Cathedral City	BEST Academy MS	Atlanta	Perspectives Leadership Acad	Chicago	Montgomery County RBI	Kensington
Bonsall Fallbrook LL	Fallbrook	Brown MS	Atlanta	Pilsen Athletic League	Chicago	Massachusetts	
Holly Park Little League	Hawthorne	Harper Archer MS	Atlanta	Sherman School of Exc.	Chicago	Boys&Girls Club Brockton	Brockton
Team Hemet Little League	Hemet	Long MS	Atlanta	Stagg School of Exc.	Chicago	East Boston LL	East Brockton
City of Inglewood	Inglewood	Price MS	Atlanta	Tarkington School of Exc.	Chicago	Comm. Day Charter School	Lawrence
Antelope Valley Boys&Girls	Lancaster	Young MS	Atlanta	The Chicago Acad. Elem.	Chicago	Wilton Lyndeborough HS	Lunenburg
City of Long Beach	Long Beach	South Cobb HS Baseball	Austell	Thomas Chalmers School	Chicago	Michigan	
City of LA	Los Angeles	TRI City Generals	Columbus	Wendell Phillips Academy	Chicago	Detroit PAL	Detroit
County of LA East	Los Angeles	Osborne HS	Mableton	Near West LL	Maywood	EAGLE Sports Club	Detroit
County of LA South	Los Angeles	Pebblebrook HS	Mableton	Boys & Girls Club of Pekin	Pekin	RBI Softball Regionals	Detroit
Dedeaux Foundation	Los Angeles	Macon RBI	Macon	Indiana		Southeastern HS Baseball	Detroit
East LA Boys & Girls Club	Los Angeles	RBI Softball Regionals	Marietta	Clay City Youth Baseball	Centerpoint	Beecher HS Baseball	Flint
HILL	Los Angeles	Playing Time Ministry	Milton	Mattingly RBI	Evansville	Jackson Park RBI	Flint
LA Boys & Girls Club	Los Angeles	Floyd Cty Parks & Rec RBI	Rome	N. Youth Baseball&Softball	Evansville	Iron Mtn HS Baseball	Iron Mountain
University LL	Los Angeles	Hawaii		City Life Center	Gary	Chatham LL	Skandia
Hueneme HS Baseball	Oxnard	Laupahoehoe Charter	Laupahoehoe	Fountain Central Summer Lg	Hillsboro	Vassar Yth Bsbll & Sballl	Vassar
Boys&Girls Coachella Vly	Palm Desert	Idaho		Crispus Attucks HS	Indianapolis	Minnesota	
Airport LL	Sacramento	Boys & Girls Clb of Lewis	Lewiston	TC Howe Baseball Team	Indianapolis	Jefferson Comm. School	Minneapolis
Park Way LL	Sacramento	Nampa Babe Ruth	Nampa	N. Harrison Youth Softball	Palmyra	Minn. North Comm. HS	Minneapolis
RBI Softball Regionals	Santa Ana	Illinois		Iowa		Minn. Patrick Henry HS	Minneapolis
Boys & Girls of Monterey Cty	Seaside	Azteca Baseball League	Chicago	180 Zone Inc	Davenport	Minn. South HS Softball	Minneapolis
Greenacre Home&School	Sebastopol	Bradwell School of Exc.	Chicago	Lake Mills Comm. School	Lake Mills	Minn. SW HS Baseball	Minneapolis
LA Monarchs Girls Bsbll	S. Pasadena	Brian Piccolo School of Exc.	Chicago	Kansas		Minn. Washburn School	Minneapolis
Venice Boys & Girls Club	Venice	Carter School of Exc.	Chicago	League 42 Foundation	Wichita	Patrick Henry Softball	Minneapolis
Harbor Teacher Prep	Wilmington	Chicago Academy HS	Chicago			RBI Softball Regionals	Minneapolis

2017 Projects: United States



2017 U.S. Totals:

- 469 projects
- 72,000+ kids served
- 44 states

Minnesota (cont...)

Roosevelt HS Softball Minneapolis
South Senior High Bsbll Minneapolis
Thomas Edison HS Minneapolis
Twins RBI Minneapolis
American Indian Magnet Bsbll St. Paul
Harding HS St. Paul
Johnson HS Softball St. Paul
St. Paul Humboldt Baseball St. Paul
Washington Tec Baseball St. Paul

Mississippi

Clarksdale School District Clarksdale

Missouri

N. Tech HS Baseball Florissant
Couch HS Myrtle

Montana

Montana Elite Baseball RBI Missoula

Nevada

Boys & Girls - Southern NV Las Vegas

New Jersey

Washington Park LL Jersey City
Hoboken RBI Newark
Newark RBI Newark
RBI Softball Regionals Newark
Patterson RBI Patterson

Bsball Assoc. Atlantic Cty Pleasantville

S. Main St. School Bsbll Pleasantville

Spotswood Bsbll & Sball Spotswood

West End LL Trenton

Boys&Girls - NW NJ RBI Wayne

New Mexico

Native Am. Comm. Sball Albuquerque

New York

Boys&Girls - Binghamton Binghamton
Bronx MS (60 schools) Bronx
City Knights Sports Yth Fndn Bronx
Grace Dodge Campus Bronx
Hank Greenberg LL Inc Bronx
International Baseball LL Inc Bronx
Morrisania Educational Campus Bronx
Neighborhood Kids Bronx
NYC HS Bronx
Riverdale Kingsbridge Acad. Bronx
Samuel Gompers Campus Bronx
Validus Prep Academy Bronx
Bonnie Youth RBI Brooklyn
Bringing Back Baseball Brooklyn
Brooklyn Jr RBI Brooklyn
Far Rockaway RBI Far Rockaway
Nick/Worldwide Day of Play Jamaica

Liberty HS Academy
Louis D. Brandeis HS
MLB Youth Classic
NY Giants Baseball Club
RBI Softball Regionals
School in the Square
Poughkeepsie Yth
Rensselaer LL
Kevin Williams Memorial Fd
Riverton St. Charter School
BGCA of Northtowns RBI

North Carolina

EE Smith High School Fayetteville
Buck Leonard Assoc. Rocky Mount
San Lee MS Softball Sanford
Power Cross Ministries Statesville

North Dakota

Burlington Rec Burlington
Friends of Minto Baseball Minto

Ohio

West Liberty Ball Assoc. Bellefontaine
RBI World Series Cincinnati
Red Urban Youth Academy Cincinnati
West End Reds Cincinnati
Northridge LL Dayton

LaBrae Athletic Club Leavittsburg

Navarre Baseball/Softball Navarre

Sciotoville LL Portsmouth

Sheffield Lake Yth Sheffield Village

Washington LL Washington Ct House

Boys & Girls - Youngstn Youngstown

Oklahoma

Star Spencer HS Softball Spencer

Pennsylvania

Lehigh Valley RBI Allentown
NCSA Youth Softball League Erie
M.O.S.E.L.F. Harrisburg
Antonia Pantoja Charter Philadelphia
Bartram HS Softball Philadelphia
Central High School Philadelphia
D.N. Fell Philadelphia
Eugenio Maria De Hostos Philadelphia
Farrell Elementary School Philadelphia
Feltonville School of Arts Philadelphia
General George McCall Philadelphia
GAMP Philadelphia
Grover Washington MS Philadelphia
Horace Furness HS Philadelphia
John B Stetson Charter Philadelphia
Julia de Burgos Elem. Philadelphia

New York Juniata Park Academy
New York Lamberton Elem.
New York Lawncrest Lions
New York Lindley Academy Charter
New York Maternity BVM
New York Mayfair Elementary
New York Northeast HS
Poughkeepsie Olney Charter
Rensselaer Overbrook HS
Shoreham Philadelphia Perf. Arts
St. Albans Phillies RBI
Tonawanda RBI Softball Regionals

R&R Mejia
Roxborough HS
S. Philadelphia HS
Southwest Phillies RBI
Stephen Decatur
Thomas K. Finletter Elem.

Warren G Harding MS
Zombies Baseball
Olivet Boys & Girls Club
Steel High Jr/Sr HS
Steelton Midget Baseball

Rhode Island

RBI Softball Regionals Pawtucket

South Carolina

Chester Yth Baseball League Chester

PAL LL Florence

South Dakota

Boys & Girls of Rosebud Mission

Thaler Foundation Vermillion

Tennessee

Orange Mound Dodgers Memphis

American Way MS Memphis

Bellevue MS Memphis

Colonial MS Memphis

Grandview Heights MS Memphis

Hamilton MS Memphis

Havenview MS Memphis

Hickory Ridge MS Memphis

Highland Oaks MS Memphis

Kate Bond MS Memphis

Kingsbury MS Memphis

Kirby MS Memphis

Memphis Grizzlies Prep Memphis

Memphis Scholars MS Memphis

Oakhaven MS Memphis

Raleigh Egypt HS Memphis

Riverview MS Memphis

Universal Youth Sports Memphis

Philadelphia Stratford STEM School

Philadelphia Spring City Softball

Philadelphia Texas

Philadelphia Texas Rangers RBI

Philadelphia IDEA Allan College Prep

Philadelphia Newton County Rec Assoc

Philadelphia Jubilee Park & Comm. Ctr

Philadelphia West Dallas LL

Philadelphia Dickinson Youth Baseball

Philadelphia El Paso Base Play RBI

Philadelphia Boys & Girls - Cooke Cty

Philadelphia Garner LL

Philadelphia Hitchcock LL Baseball Org

Philadelphia Astros RBI

Philadelphia Houston Astros MLB Yth Ac.

Philadelphia Boys & Girls - Central TX

Philadelphia CTX Ability Sports

Philadelphia Christian Sports Org

Philadelphia Utah

Philadelphia Salt Lake Bees Yth RBI

Philadelphia Virginia

Reading Armstrong HS Softball

Steelton Plaza LL

Steelton Washington

Pawtucket Boys & Girls - Snohomish Cty

Chester Legend Sports Club RBI

Florence West Virginia

Mission Clendenin LL

Vermillion Herbert Hoover HS

Memphis Cowen LL

Memphis Elkview MS

Memphis W. Greenbrier LL

Memphis White Sul. Sprg. White Sulphur Springs

Memphis Wisconsin

Memphis Boys & Girls - Chippewa Vly

Memphis Hayward NW LL

Memphis Alexander Hamilton HS

Memphis Bradley Tech HS

Memphis COA Youth & Family Ctr

Memphis Harold Vincent HS

Memphis James Madison HS

Memphis Milwaukee Bay View HS

Memphis Milwaukee Pulaski HS

Memphis Milwaukee RBI Program

Memphis Milwaukee Riverside Univ.

Memphis Milwaukee School Lang.

Memphis Milwaukee S. Division HS

Memphis Ronald Regan HS

Memphis Rufus King International

Memphis Washington HS of Info Tech

Memphis Radisson LL

Memphis Winter

Nashville

Spring City

Arlington

Austin

Bon Wier

Dallas

Dallas

Dickinson

El Paso

Gainesville

Garland

Hitchcock

Houston

Houston

Killeen

Pflugerville

San Antonio

Salt Lake City

Richmond

Virginia Beach

Everett

Spanaway

Clendenin

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Cowen

Elkview

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2017 Projects: International



Las Aguilas Beisbol	Argentina	Israel Baseball	Israel
Melvin Mora Foundation	Aruba	Camp Butler Marine Yth Activities	Japan
Baseball in Azerbaijan	Azerbaijan	Baseball 4 Africa	Kenya
Bahamas Baseball Association	Bahamas	Living Hope International	Mexico
Newsong	Belize	Los Padres	Nicaragua
Unlimited Potential, Inc.	Belize	Gloves Go Far	Nicaragua
HCBE/Baseball in Benin	Benin	Ekiti Kete Little League Baseball	Nigeria
Sao Paulo Baseball Club	Brazil	Baseball Tomorrow Academy	Nigeria
Baseball in Support to the Education System	Brazil	MIF Baseball—Mjondalen Baseball	Norway
Chacales de Beisbol	Colombia	Peruvian Youth Sports Foundation	Peru
Potros MBC	Colombia	Club Deportivo Beisbol/Softbol Camaguey	Peru
Club de Beisbol menor Deportivo	Colombia	Queen's Row Elementary School Avers	Philippines
Little League Baseball	Colombia	Philippines Little League	Philippines
El Saino Elementary School	Costa Rica	1 United Philippine Baseball	Philippines
St. Luke's Episcopal Church	Cuba	Kiburiao Baseball Program	Philippines
Teen Cultures Connect	Cuba	Kiburiao Softball Program	Philippines
Hector Pichardo Baseball Lge	Dominican Republic	I Liceum Ogolnoksztalcace im. Gen.	Poland
Home-Run Against Poverty	Dominican Republic	Romanian Baseball & Softball Foundation	Romania
ENED Foundation	Dominican Republic	Russian Baseball & Softball Foundation	Russia
Ivan Cuello Baseball Academy	Dominican Republic	Russian Baseball & Softball Fund	Russia
Academia beisbol Rob. Mejia	Dominican Republic	Sierra Leone Baseball & Softball Fed.	Sierra Leone
Dellin Betances Program	Dominican Republic	VOB Baseball & Softball Club	South Africa
Futuras estrellas de Baldera	Dominican Republic	Uganda Baseball & Softball	Uganda
Egypt Baseball	Egypt	Uganda Baseball & Softball Association	Uganda
Greek Softball Federation	Greece	Kyiv Baseball & Softball School	Ukraine
Bridge Builders	Guatemala	Boarding School—Obdarovanist	Ukraine
Fundacion Margie	Honduras	Pryvilneska Village School	Ukraine
Liga Roberto Valenzuela LL	Honduras	Pyriatyn NGO	Ukraine
Gigantes	Honduras	Ukraine Pony	Ukraine
Hugarian Ntl Baseball/Softball Fed.	Hungary		



Johan and Bryan live in an orphanage in Medellin, Colombia after they were abandoned by their parents. The orphanage focuses on giving all the children opportunities to spend time outside of the orphanage. Johan and Bryan go to the baseball field three times a week to learn the game, make friends and learn to share. Baseball has brought the boys joy in their lives.

2017 Project Highlights & Impact Stories

In 2016, West Virginia experienced devastating flooding. Herbert Hoover High School had more than 8 feet of water and the school was condemned by FEMA. All the baseball and softball equipment was lost. PIFB was able to help get both teams back on the field this past spring by donating over \$13,000 worth of gear to replace what was lost. The softball team went on to win the state championship!

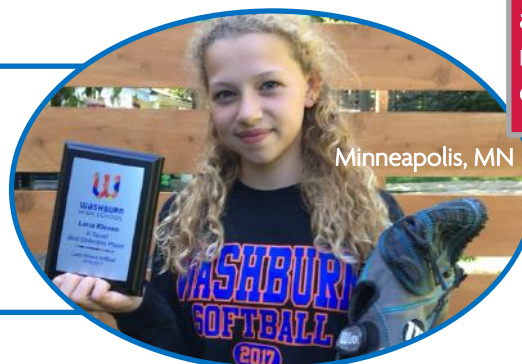


At age 14, Joel was regularly skipping school to fight on the streets. When he decided to play baseball during his freshman year of high school, Joel started to turn his life around. Baseball encouraged him to shift his focus to academics and to helping train other children who wanted to play ball. Joel and the team have the proper equipment and he is now the top catcher on the team.

PIFB Fun Fact!

The shipment to the Philippines traveled approximately 8,600 miles to reach its final destination!

When Lena showed up to the first day of softball practice, her coach knew that her outdated glove was too small for high school ball. After the team received gear from PIFB, Lena was able to start practicing with a new glove that was the right size. Her improvements and performance this season were so great that she was voted "Most Outstanding Defensive Player."



At the beginning of the season, Hector wanted to go out for the baseball team but knew he would have trouble affording equipment. Hector was abandoned by his parents who left the U.S. and he is living at the poverty rate in Milwaukee County. When he found out he wouldn't have to purchase his own gear to play, Hector was ecstatic. His grades and attendance both went up as a result of being on the team.

As the eldest of six children, Akima enjoyed playing softball but she also had to babysit her younger siblings. Concerned that she wouldn't have anyone to watch her younger children while working, Akima's mom didn't want her to play this year. Knowing Akima's talents, the coaches convinced her mom to allow her to play. She was very successful on the field this year and is even being scouted to play in college.



2017 Financial Donors

Legends (\$50,000+)

Hansen Foundation
Los Angeles Dodgers Foundation
Major League Baseball
Minnesota Twins Community Fund
The New York Mets Foundation, Inc.

Hall of Famers (\$25,000-\$49,999)

New York Yankees
Wilson Sporting Goods

Triple Crowns (\$10,000-\$24,999)

Andreas Foundation
Baseball Tomorrow Foundation
Cincinnati Reds Community Fund
Copernicus Society of America
Little League Baseball, Inc.
Nike N7 Fund
NorthMarq Capital
Roy Smalley, III
Shannon S. Smith
USA Baseball

MVPs (\$5,000-\$9,999)

Steve Brehm
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John & Lisa Solberg Charitable Fund
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All-Stars (\$1,500-\$4,999)

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Home Runs (\$500-\$1,499)

Mazen Alromhein
Denise and Rich Brereton
Elaine Bridge

Home Runs cont... (\$500-\$1,499)

David Caddick
Caddick Utilities
Larue Coleman
Blane Dexheimer
Michele Fabrizio
Ronald Fisher
Catherine Flood
Freehold Thunder North Baseball
Roei Ganzarski
Richard Gelles
Theresa Getz
Randall Harbert
Mark Hein
Independent Contract Flooring
Ira Ingerman
Sam Konstan
Kopech-Fabrizio 2002 Trust
Nancy Kurtin
Light For You Foundation
Mark Longaro
Susan Lowe
Stephanie and Kenneth Marder
Raynes McCarty
Mitchell Meffert
Nancy Mercer
Olentangy Thunder
John Pickard
Bill Pizek
Renew Design Group
David Rhode
Irving Shafran
Springfield Rotary Club
Paris Stachtiaris
Joseph A. Tahl
Olivia & Michael Vix
Oliver Zelman

Rookies (\$250-\$499)

Albert Ciardi
Linda Brandt
Melissa Berger
Bluestein Michael & Co PC
Sandy Boklep
Brunswick Bank & Trust
C&D Waterproofing Corp.
C&L Rivet Co.
Chasella Group
Charles Clarkson
Ram Cnaan
Peter Conn
Heather Depiano
Electrical Design Build, Inc.

Rookies cont... (\$250-\$499)

Kirk Ellsworth
Pamela Fingerhut
Christopher Flynn
Jessica Fortney
Jeffrey Gelles
Susan Gherity
Angie Halderman
Marc Hellman
Charles Indich
Carla Jones
Gerald Kilhefner
Meredith Kim
Klover Contracting
Franklyn L. Litsky
Ellen Loflin
Jane Lowerre
Daniel Marino
Zev Marmurstein
Stephen McNich
Ward McMasters
Mercedes Benz of West Chester
Jeffrey Michael
John Morrison
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Donations of equipment help to keep our costs low and enable us to support more teams each year. The gear we need the most are:

- Gloves (12"+)
- Baseballs/Softballs
- BBCOR bats/USA Standard bats
- Catcher's equipment



Under Armour

PIFB and Under Armour expanded their partnership in 2017. Under Armour has become a key contributor of in-kind product to PIFB. This includes multiple shipments a year of product including cleats, pants, sliding shorts, shirts, heart guards, and more! Working with large manufacturers who either donate in-kind product or allow us to purchase it at discounted prices enables us to fill in the gaps of equipment that is not always donated as frequently as it is requested from our grant applicants.

Partner Highlights

Strategic Partners

Pitch In For Baseball is proud to work with these industry leaders who have enabled us to expand our programming and help more children around the world. These partners are instrumental in allowing us to grow our impact by making generous financial contributions, large donations of in-kind product, and connecting us to groups in need of assistance.



Dominican Republic

Family, baseball, and the Dominican Republic are near and dear to New York Yankee Dellin Betances. He also shares PIFB's passion for helping kids get on the field. In a unique partnership between Dellin, PIFB, Wilson Sporting Goods, Nike, and Papa John's, nearly 100 children in the small town of Bonao received the equipment needed to play ball. PIFB will team up with Dellin again in 2018!



Dayton, KY

With support from the Cincinnati Reds and St. Elizabeth Healthcare, PIFB equipped 18 baseball and softball teams at 5 schools with the gear needed to expand their programming in 2017. The equipment that was donated enabled schools to field additional teams and engage more students. This partnership will again help kids get on the field in the 2018 season.



Partner Highlights

Partners since 2014, the Minnesota Twins were one of the first MLB clubs to participate in our School Based Program. In 2017, the program helped nearly 400 kids on 22 baseball and softball teams in St. Paul and Minneapolis take the field. Nearly 200 students had never played baseball or softball before this year and 56% of students improved their attendance as a result of playing ball.



Minneapolis, MN



2017 marked the second year of a Chicago based School Based Program partnership which outfits 25 middle school baseball teams with our partner, Wilson Sporting Goods. Pictured at left is Jamiya, one of three girls to go out for the baseball team at McNair School of Excellence this year. With over 200 students participating in this School Based Program, 87% improved their grades this season.



Chicago, IL



The New York Yankees kicked off their partnership with PIFB with a very generous donation in exchange for Alex Rodriguez's 3,000th hit ball, caught by Zack Hample, a longtime PIFB supporter. 2017 marked the second year of a School Based Program partnership with the Yankees to help kids in the Bronx play ball. A total of ten teams received equipment and boasted an 86% increase in attendance.



Bronx, NY



PIFB and MLB expanded their partnership significantly in 2017. Major League Baseball identifies Reviving Baseball in Inner City (RBI) leagues and connects them with PIFB to ensure their equipment needs are met. Shown at left is a packing event for two local RBI leagues that MLB staff helped pack up at their headquarters. Over 600 kids got the gear they needed to play.



New York, NY



Thanks to their incredibly generous gift, the Tull Family Foundation and PIFB donated over \$70,000 worth of equipment to help nearly 1,000 kids play ball in 2017. Over 400 kids got the proper gear needed to play in two leagues in California. Additionally, two of the three leagues in West Virginia that received equipment were able to rebuild after losing all their gear in disastrous flooding in 2016.



Hawthorne, CA

Tull Family
Foundation

Donor Highlights



London, UK

Matthew Completes PIFB's 1st Equipment Collection Abroad

Part of the Jewish tradition of the bar and bat mitzvah is the completion of a mitzvah project, when a young person gives back to his/her community in a meaningful way. Of the nearly 200 kids who complete equipment collection projects on behalf of PIFB each year, approximately 50% are mitzvah projects. What made this project so unique is that Matthew lives with his family in London! While Matthew could have taken the easy route by starting a fundraiser to buy baseball and softball equipment for kids in need, he opted to challenge himself by starting an equipment drive in his community. Though baseball and softball are not the most popular sport in London, the small community that does play is very tight knit. Matthew collected well over 200 pieces of equipment and was even able to get it to our Pennsylvania warehouse location!

About 60% of the equipment PIFB has available to distribute comes from supportive communities like these!

- Youth baseball organizations whose communities have an abundance of equipment not being used and want to give back
- Caring kids who love the game and want to give others a chance to play
- Companies that want to engage their employees and communities in philanthropy



Jenkintown, PA

Pictured above, Jenkintown Youth Activities. At right, Alex Span who completed his 3rd equipment collection in 2017.



Mountain Lakes, NJ

For his mitzvah project, Michael chose to collect equipment to support PIFB. Michael was able to collect over 1,200 pieces of equipment to donate to PIFB and his family made the drive from Connecticut to visit our Pennsylvania warehouse and drop off the gear! Amazing Michael, thank you!



West Hartford, CT



Colonia, NJ

Driven by her passion for softball, Julia chose to collect gear on behalf of PIFB. Julia says, "I hope to not only be giving equipment to someone who needs it but to also be giving passion, pride, and the love for a game that teaches character, self-respect, and friendship." Thank you, Julia!

Donor Highlights



Shrewsbury, NJ

Ethan is a fantastic example of someone who runs his equipment collection nearly all year round! Ethan has supported PIFB for several years now and he drops off massive amounts of gear to our Pennsylvania warehouse multiple times a year. Thank you, Ethan for your continued hard work and dedication to PIFB!

WMGK & XFINITY Equipment Drive

For the second year in a row, local Philadelphia radio station WMGK, facilitated an equipment collection drive in the tri-state area! In 2017 WMGK teamed up with ten XFINITY stores in the area to serve as collection sites. The collection ran for approximately a month and was highlighted by special guest appearances by Philadelphia Phillies legend Tommy Greene at XFINITY stores! The league or team that donated the most equipment won an appearance by Tommy at their opening day ceremonies. In total, the drive collected well over 2,000 pieces of equipment from supporters in Pennsylvania, Delaware, and New Jersey.



Various locations: PA/DE/NJ

***Pictured at right:** The Baseball Center NYC with one of their two donations in 2017. **Pictured right bottom:** Ty Nielson collected nearly 600 pieces of equipment for his Eagle Scout Project in his hometown of Las Vegas and dropped it off at our Los Angeles warehouse! **Pictured far right & inset:** The Moldovan family, our very first equipment donor when PIFB was founded, completed their last collection in 2017 and will be passing the tradition along to other families! THANK YOU, MOLDOVAN FAMILY!*



New York, NY



Las Vegas, NV



Basking Ridge, NJ

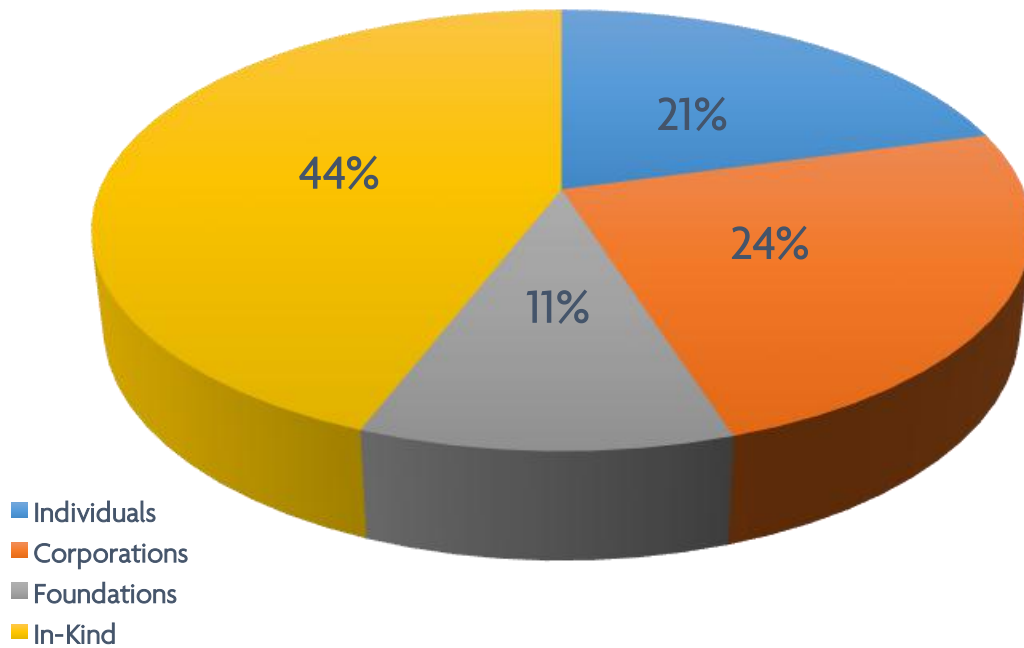


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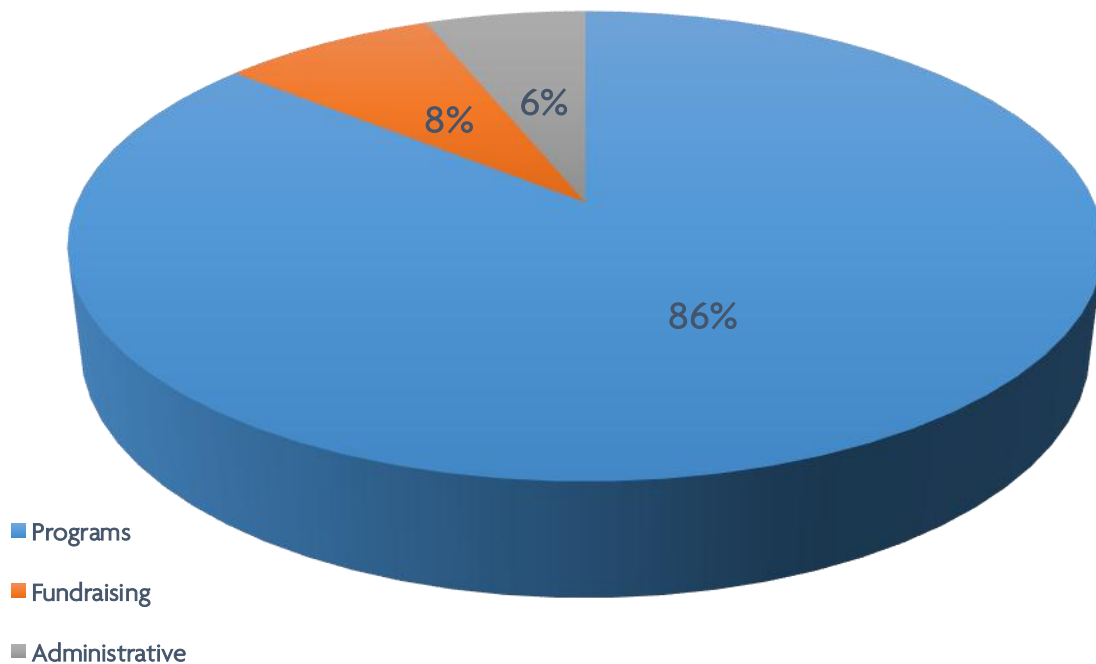
Located outside of Portland, Oregon, Gladstone Jr Baseball treasurer Brian Stewart wanted to clean out their equipment shed but was unsure how to facilitate getting the gear to us in PA. PIFB reassured him that he could ship to our Los Angeles warehouse location, significantly reducing shipping costs. Gladstone Jr Baseball, Brian, and an army of volunteers collected, sorted, and shipped over 500 pieces of equipment to the Los Angeles warehouse and will be running another collection in 2018!

2017 Financials (for fiscal year ending 12/31/17)

2017 Total Revenue/Assets: \$3,853,890



2017 Total Expenses: \$967,540.60



A look ahead

Pitch In For Baseball has many exciting and ambitious endeavors on the horizon for the 2018 year. Take a look at what we're bringing to the plate over the next 12 months!



In recent years, there has been marked growth in the amount of requests for softball equipment. However, PIFB's inventory of softball equipment has not grown to support the demand. As PIFB explored prospective partnerships to secure resources to support the increased interest in softball, we were met with some concern/confusion over the implied exclusivity of the "Pitch In For Baseball" brand. As such, the PIFB Board recognized the need to launch a parallel brand focused exclusively on softball. Pitch In For Softball is lead by an advisory board of industry leaders consisting of legendary UCLA coach Sue Enquist, USA Softball phenoms Natasha Watley and Crystl Bustos, and representation from Little League Softball, Wilson Sporting Goods and more. PIFS officially launched on January 20th, 2018 at the Mohegan Sun World Softball Coaches Convention in Uncasville, CT with a sponsored autograph session with Natasha Watley.



In late summer 2017, Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria tore through the southeastern part of the United States and the Caribbean, leaving in their wake destruction and heartbreak, flooded homes, and millions of displaced people. Though the road to recovery is long, we know here at PIFB that baseball and softball have healing powers for kids, parents, and coaches alike in the aftermath of tragedy. Sports can help to restore a sense of normalcy amidst the chaos. PIFB is committed to helping as many kids get back on the field as possible. Thanks to the support of major partners Major League Baseball and Little League, PIFB will be focusing its efforts on helping kids in Houston and Puerto Rico play ball again and PIFS will complete disaster relief efforts in the U.S. and British Virgin Islands.





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