

Annual Report for 2019



From The Director

Thank you for making 2019 such a great year! The Oregon Boating Foundation's accomplishments are made possible by the excellent work of our staff and volunteers, backed by the support and encouragement from our Board of Directors, donors, and supporters.

One of our goals this year was to provide employment opportunities for young people in our community, and for the first time ever we had a paid staff of eight guides and instructors. We also introduced our guided kayak tours in Newport, and welcomed more than five hundred people to get out kayaking in Yaquina Bay. We're expecting even more next year!

We continued to help the Port of Toledo as they served more than a thousand people at their Free Family Boating events. We helped the Girl Scouts of Benton County enjoy another day of kayaking at Beaver Creek. And, as always, we made our boathouse available to support the Newport High School Sailing Team.

We appreciate your continued partnership as we start a new decade of carrying forward the organization's mission to get people out on the water safely.

We couldn't do it without you.

Brian Getting

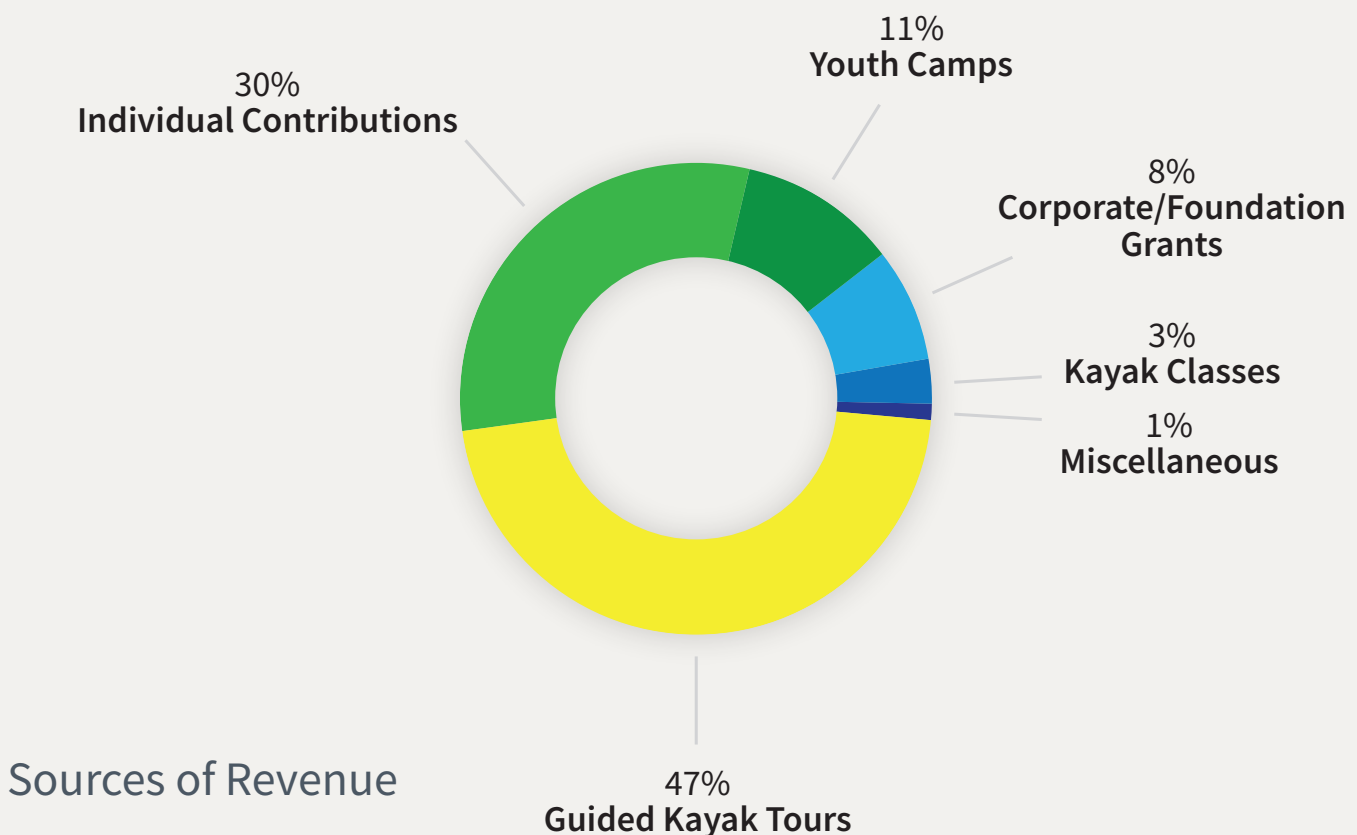
Executive Director

Financial Overview

This report is intended to give our stakeholders, donors, and other interested people information about our organization's activities and financial performance.

In 2019 the Oregon Boating Foundation's earned revenue came primarily from our guided kayak tours. Thanks to the generosity of donors to our scholarship fund, we provided more than \$1,600 in financial assistance to ensure that everyone in our community had access to our programs.

Gifts from our donors, as well as grants and corporate sponsorships, continue to be vital to our financial success.



Guided Kayak Tours

After years of development, we launched our Guided Kayak Tour program in 2019.

Our goal was to provide an opportunity for anyone to safely experience kayaking on Yaquina Bay. We also wanted to provide employment opportunities for young people in our area, and an endpoint for our kayak program. More than five hundred people went kayaking with us this summer, and we're expecting more in the future.

We couldn't have done it without the hard work of our kayak guides: Julian Guerena, Chess Hagues, Shaden Jensen, Anya Panose, Jeremy Shaffer, McKenzie Thomas, and Konoha Tomono-Duvall.

We're looking forward to next summer!



Did you know? We're creating jobs for young people in our community, and employed a staff of 8 in 2019.

Youth Camps

Our five-day youth camps are designed to be affordable, fun opportunities for kids to get out on the water during the summer. Most of our camps take place at the Toledo Community Boathouse, and we've been working hard to keep up with growing demand.

Sailing Camps

Thanks to Landon Reno and McKenzie Thomas, we ran two sailing camps in 2019, and both were at full capacity. Participants spent the week learning basic sailing skills, swimming, and even capsizing!

Our goal is to develop a "next step" in our sailing program, to bridge the gap between our sailing camp and participating with the Newport High School Sailing Team.



Kayak Camps

Our youth kayak camp program has seen steady growth for many years, and 2019 was no exception. We ran four kayak camps this year, including our first-ever Advanced Kayak Camp!

All the instructors for our kayak camps this year are alumni of our program – former campers that have returned as employees to teach the next generation.



Free Family Boating

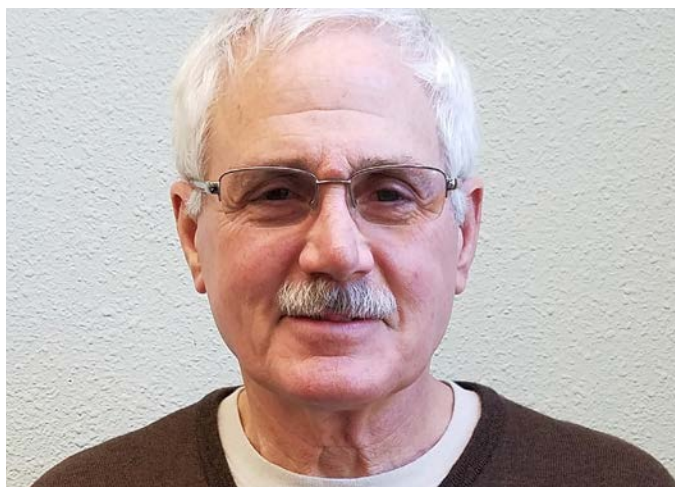
Twice a week between Memorial Day and Labor Day, the Port of Toledo's Free Family Boating events provide an opportunity for everyone in our community to get out on the water – free of charge. We're proud to support this program by providing sailboats and life jackets. Many of our staff and volunteers also participate to help ensure that this program runs smoothly.

In 2019, **more than one thousand people** had the opportunity to spend some time sailing, kayaking, paddle boarding and rowing. The demand for this program is growing, and we're working with Joe Novello, the founder of the program, to see about expanding the program to serve more people. Perhaps next year we'll host Free Family Boating in Newport...



Board Changes

Our volunteer Board of Directors provides direction and support for the organization, and we rely on their leadership. While one of our long-serving board members decided to retire this year, we also welcomed three new members to our board.



Bud Shoemake

We're grateful for the leadership and support Bud has provided over the last decade. He retired from our board in 2019.



Aja Burke

With nearly 20 years of experience in the marine industry, we're ecstatic that Aja joined our board in 2019.



Jason King

We're lucky that Jason joined our board in 2019, lending his expertise in sales, event planning, and nonprofit management.



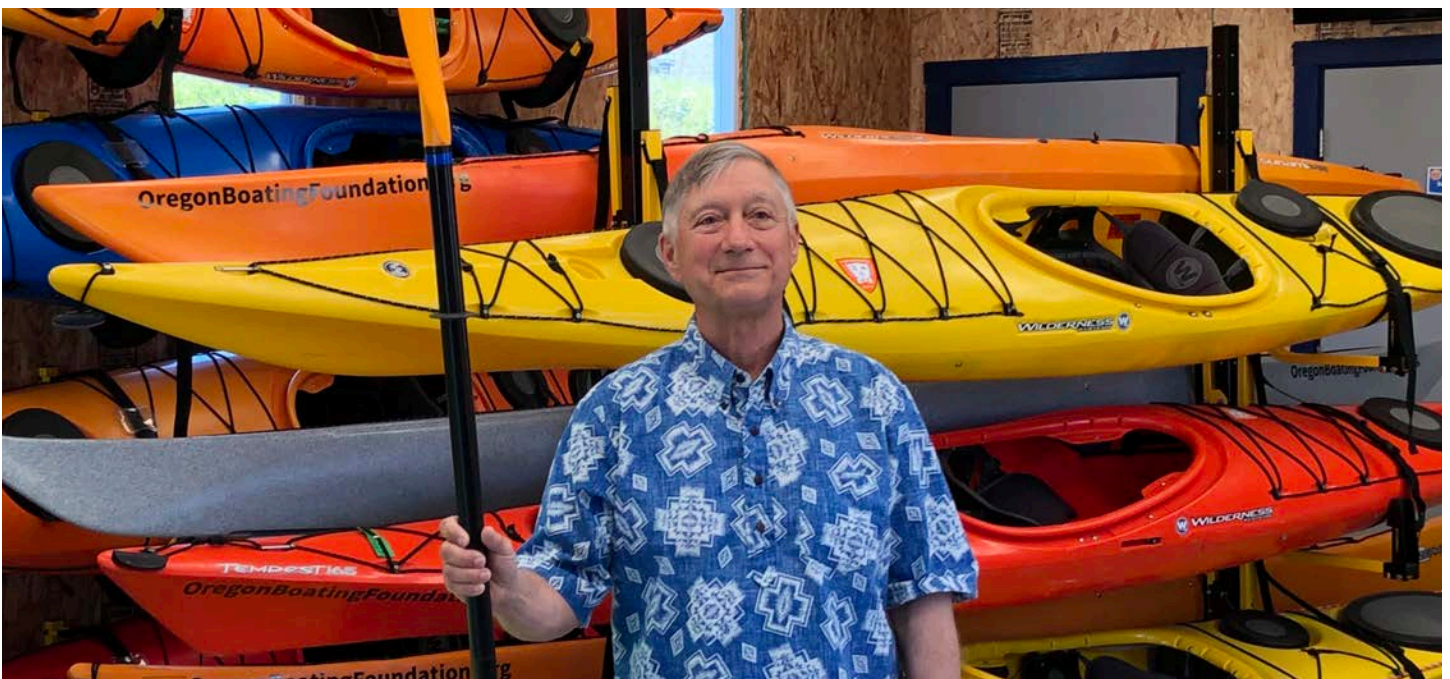
Charlie Plybon

We're excited that Charlie joined our board in 2019, adding his experience with nonprofit management, volunteering, and fundraising.

Tom Murphy

After many years of dedicated service, Tom Murphy decided this year that he will be retiring from his position as our Kayak Program Coordinator. Tom has been a relentless volunteer, and has impacted the lives of hundreds of people in our community.

After bringing his kayak program to our organization in 2015, Tom's passion for kayaking has been a primary driver for its growth and success. Thanks to Tom, we're currently able to get hundreds of people out on the water each year through our camps, classes, and guided tours. We're very grateful to Tom, and we're pretty sure that we'll still see him out on the water with us occasionally.



Donors & Supporters

We rely on the generosity of our community to do our work, and we'd like to thank everyone for the support we received in 2019.

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