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Spring 2023 Newsletter and 2022 Annual Report



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Help us to sustain our programs and continue to share joy for the next 25 years.

Please consider making a sustaining monthly donation and become part of Eric's Team Leaders, our sustaining donor club. In honor of 25 years of EDD Adaptive Sports, we suggest a \$25 monthly donation. Your sustaining gift of \$25/month will support a full year of yoga classes for one athlete. There are 30 athletes with disabilities practicing yoga with EDD Adaptive Sports in both of our primary locations.

Alternative Ways to Give

Support EDD with a pre-tax charitable contribution from your retirement account. If you need to take required minimum distribution (RMD) from your retirement account, you may be eligible to save money by directing part of your RMD to a nonprofit organization. Talk to your financial advisor about supporting EDD Adaptive Sports with a pre-tax charitable donation.

If you would like to get more involved, please contact one of us.



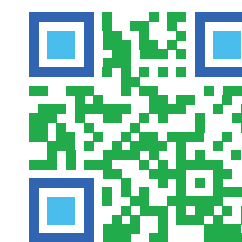
Silver Anniversary

EDD Adaptive Sports is celebrating our 25th Anniversary! We have helped more than 4,600 athletes to build confidence and find the fun in sports over the last 25 years - and that is something to celebrate. Throughout the year, there will be special moments and celebrations as we mark this important milestone. We hope you will join us!

Naturally, we wanted to make this milestone year special for EDD athletes so we updated our program awards. Every athlete will earn a sport-specific pin at every program. They will receive a program medal at the beginning of the year and then can display their pins on their medal ribbon. We encourage friendly competition among our athletes to see who collects the most pins by the end of the year. Share your photos with us as your collection grows!

*Athletes - start collecting your pins!
Sign up for a program today at www.eddfund.org.*

Each year, EDD Adaptive Sports reaches 140 athletes and helps them to find the fun in sports. Eric D. Dettenrieder loved to ski and his joy on the slopes was contagious. It is what inspired us to create the EDD Memorial Fund (now EDDAS) and we continue to share Eric's joy 25 years later. Do you have a favorite memory or story from an EDD program? We would love to hear from you. We are sharing stories and photos throughout the year. Submit your story or photo using the QR code.



EDD Adaptive Sports Clinics 2022-2023



**CELEBRATING
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Save the date!

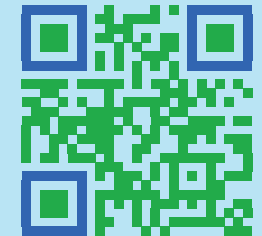
All-Star Celebrations

All-Star Picnic, Sept. 9, 2023 in Essex, VT
All-Star Benefit Silent Auction & Dinner,
Oct. 28, 2023 in Oneonta, NY

This year's programs:

- Basketball in Oneonta, NY & Castleton, VT
- Bike and Field games in Edmeston, NY & Williston, VT
- Hike in Delhi, NY
- Kayak in Waterbury, VT
- Pickleball in Oneonta, NY & Colchester, VT
- Rowing in Cooperstown, NY
- Running in Essex, VT
- Snowshoe in Delhi, NY & Williston, VT
- Downhill Skiing in Windham, NY
- Soccer in Colchester, VT
- Yoga in Norwich, NY & Williston, VT

Check our website for program schedules.



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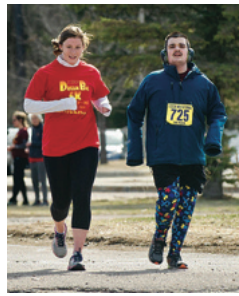
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Spotlight on...



Megan LeCours, EDD Adaptive Sports Board Member

Welcome to Megan LeCours, our newest board member! Megan has been active with our organization since 2015. As a member of the Saint Michael's College women's soccer team, she volunteered annually at the EDD soccer skill clinic on campus. She also worked as a program intern during the Spring of 2017. Megan is excited to get more involved with our Vermont-based programs, to reconnect with EDD athletes and to share her expertise on the Finance Committee.



Michael Turner, Program Intern

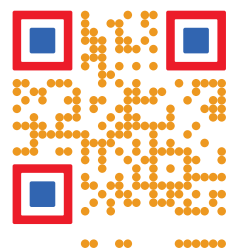
Michael Turner, our newest intern, has jumped in with both feet to help with the Dream Big 5K and our Spring programs in Vermont. Michael is an avid athlete who enjoys skiing, tennis and basketball. His enthusiasm and positive attitude will serve him well in his roll assisting with pickleball and the 25th anniversary campaign. Michael is a student at the Community College of Vermont. The internship is a new partnership with Mansfield Hall in Burlington, VT, a support organization for college students with learning disabilities.

Gabriella Cardoza , Grant-writing Intern

We have been working with the Hartwick College English Department since 2018 to provide hands-on experience with grant-writing and development. The internship allows students to hone their writing and research skills while performing important work for our organization. Gabriella Cardoza, a second-year Hartwick College student with a major in Literature and a minor in Art, is our Spring Grant-writing Intern. She is helping with grant reports, applications and research.

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