

GRATITUDE REPORT

FISCAL YEAR 2022



RITE of PASSAGE JOURNEYS

The Good you Make Happen!

Your contribution to Rite of Passage Journeys is an investment in resilience, self-awareness and inner-strength. Your support opens the door to the kind of “summit-the-pass” determination it takes for youth and adults to thrive.

You give them starlit nights around the fire, an authenticity of sharing many have never before experienced, connections that become a benchmark for healthy community. **Your contributions fund Mentors** who are there every step of the way, to listen, encourage and provide a framework for the revelations that arise — offering a gentle nudge that opens a door.

They return, forever changed...

Our profound gratitude for your investment in a positive future!

YOUTH PROGRAMS



Your 2022 investment in these unique, time-tested journeys immersed youth ages 8 to 18 in wilderness, community and opportunities to experience profound self-discovery and deep gratitude for life. **Sharing from the heart** around council fires, **pushing up a pass** carrying a heavy pack, reaching deeper inside than perhaps ever before to **persevere through an extended wilderness Solo** — these are moments that help kids **reveal the confident, resilient, soulful adults they want to become.**



“ It was so much fun. My favorite part was all the animal experiences and the Solo where I got to think about myself and my family. **Thanks for everything.**”

*Call to Adventure Participant
Age 12*

Parents and Youth Offer their Gratitude

“During this trip I was able to learn more about myself as well as the natural environment. My favorite part was the 50 hour solo because it allowed me to take a break from feeling like I have to do things to fit into any crowd.” *Mountain Quest Young Men participant, Age 15*

“The world we live in, surrounded by screens, has the effect of disconnecting kids from their selves and the world around them. Journeys has the ability to remediate that damage, and allow kids the space and opportunity to get in touch with themselves and learn about others as well. This is life affirming and evolving work.” *Mom of Solo Crossing participant, Age 15*



ADULT PROGRAMS

Your generosity deepened & expanded education! Folks across the world **shared skills and built connections online**, training in rite of passage leadership & mentoring, storytelling & ritual, elderhood, grief & gratitude. Hands-on exploration of herbalism, tracking, fire, bird language & drummaking fed a **soul-deep need for the healing spirit of nature**. Edges were stretched on-the-trail, and revelations were found on Solo vigils, in the new Adult Mountain Quest. Together we grow the community of **adults who are capable of and committed to restoring Rites of Passage in our communities**.



“ YES! Did you walk among trees and ferns and sing to birds? Did you hear the secrets of new friends? Did you cry and rage and fall apart, the pieces held by a circle of love? **Did you journey into the wild and return, touched by the sacred?**”

Excerpt from poem by Adult Mountain Quest participant, Paul Bouchey



Our 2022 Adult Offerings

Leadership Development Series

Terrain of Transformation
Crucible of Youth
Leadership Fundamentals Intensive
Field Training Apprenticeship

Summer Programs

Adult Wilderness Quest
Adult Mountain Quest

Community Programs

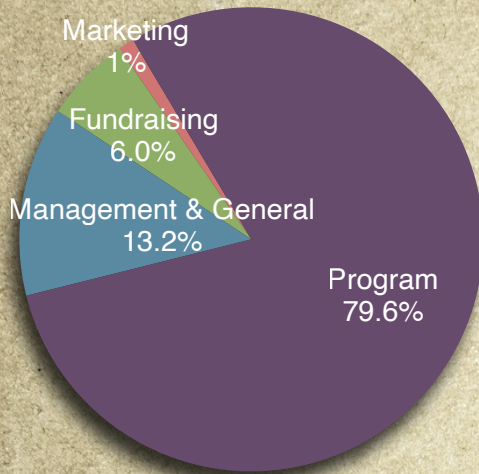
Awakening the Sage Within
Creating Soulful Ritual
Art of Storytelling series
Tracking from the Heart
Drummaking
Grieving Time

Ongoing Events & Gatherings

Dreamweaving Council (monthly)
Heart of Journeys gathering

YOUR FUNDS AT WORK

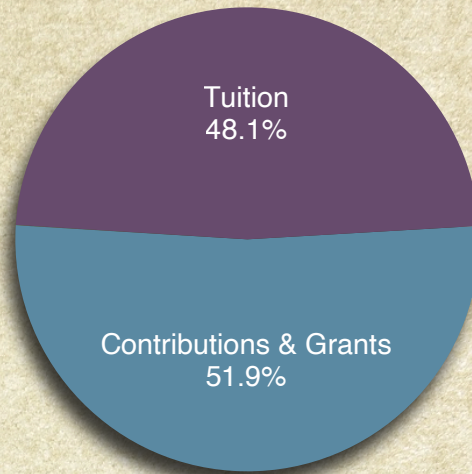
2022 EXPENSES



- Program: \$382,329 = 79.6%
- Management & General: \$63,522 = 13.2 %
- Fundraising: \$29,036 = 6%
- Marketing: \$5,307 = 1%

TOTAL: \$474,887 = 100%

2022 REVENUE



- Tuition: \$212,424 = 48.1%
- Contributions & Grants: \$229,257 = 51.9%
- Other: \$105 = <1%

TOTAL: \$441,786 = 100%

SUCSESSES your Investments created!

A sense of hope as we came through the other side of COVID hibernation

Guided **44,472 hours** of journeys into nature, compared to 36,720 in 2021

Provided **\$33,519 in scholarships** for families in need

Continued **LGBTQ2IA+** program development and delivery

Continued Changes in tending Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

Grew our Rite of Passage Leadership **Training Hub worldwide**

Continued **partnership - Sage-ing International & Youth Passageways**

The Harris Family granted \$48,000 in Youth Scholarships for 2022 and has continued to significantly donate in 2023! We hear again and again how these transformative experiences would not otherwise be available for these kids. Through your ongoing generosity and this tremendous pledge we have profound gratitude that no family in 2022 was turned away for lack of funds, and with your support we have the same hope for 2023.

There are additional significant donations happening in 2023. Paul Bouchey, the Bishop Family and Zimmerman Family have formed a coalition for a \$100,000 matching grant for Journeys. We are more than 3/4 way of meeting this grant. Every dollar you donate before the end of August is matched through this grant!

