
DANCEWAVE

2023 IMPACT REPORT

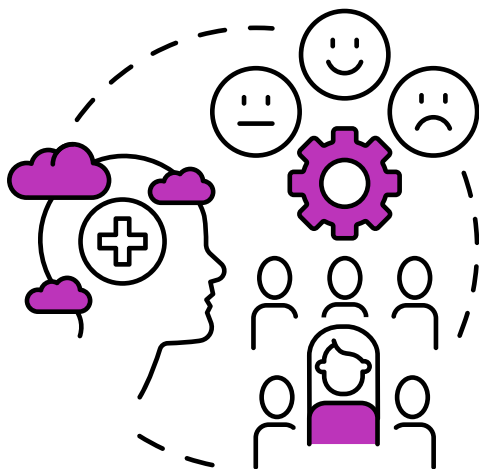


ABOUT DANCEWAVE

We believe in youth empowerment, whole-person development, and a community-oriented dance experience accessible to all.

Since 1995, Dancewave has served as a trusted community hub for artists, educators and young visionaries. We're one of Brooklyn's premiere dance education nonprofits, with an emphasis on mental health-focused programming and college/career preparation.

We use dance as a vehicle for expression, community building, self-reflective transformation and active citizenship. Central to our work is Dancewave's unique culture model, which strives to subvert oppressive systems through responsive and equity-driven programming.



New York's only
**SOCIAL AND
EMOTIONAL
LEARNING-FOCUSED
AND EQUITY-DRIVEN**
dance education organization

MESSAGE FROM OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Dear Dancewave Community,

On behalf of Dancewave's Board of Directors, I am thrilled to report that 2023 marked yet another successful year for the organization. Dancewave is a vital part of the New York arts community, providing future-affirming dance programs to NYC Public Schools students, older adults, emerging and established artists, and everyone in between.

For the past few years, Dancewave has reached an international audience through Dancewave Through College and Beyond (DTCB), which is a one-of-a-kind program! DTCB connects students from around the country with top US and UK universities, opening the door for talented young people to pursue an education that they might not otherwise have access to. DTCB clearly illustrates how Dancewave provides members of our community with opportunities for lifelong success.

I am proud that Dancewave has not only been able to navigate the multi-year effects of the 2020 global pandemic, but has leveraged these significant changes as a catalyst for positive growth. Dancewave is now thriving and as successful as it has ever been.

For these reasons and many others, I am proud to serve as the Chair of Dancewave's Board of Directors. I look forward to working with the wonderful people at Dancewave in 2024 and beyond, helping them realize a bold vision for the future as we get closer to the 30th anniversary of Dancewave.



Todd L. Spillane
Board Chair

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OUR IMPACT

Dancewave served an international audience of over **6,200 individuals in 2023.**



\$53,000
in scholarships
awarded to over **300**
youth



500
young artists **trained at**
the **Dancewave Center**



125
no-cost programs
hosted in schools and
community centers



4,300
New Yorkers of all ages
impacted through our
Community Residencies



260
high school students
started their college
journey at DTCB



250+
hours of **performance**
training logged with
professional artists



\$13,600+
in rehearsal subsidies
awarded to **over 1900**
local artists



180+
stewards supported
Dancewave with **over**
\$40,000 in donations



80
artists provided **free or low**
cost classes through our
Class Share Program



82,200+
website pageviews



11,900
people reached via email



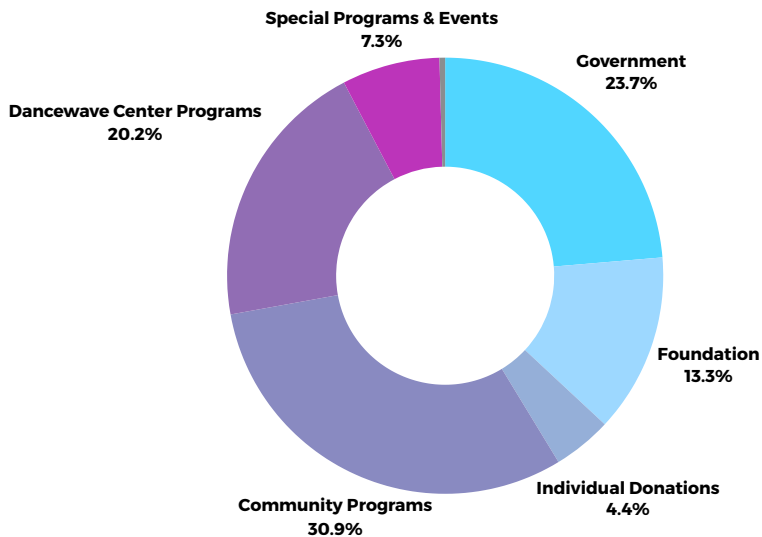
80,000
accounts reached via
social media

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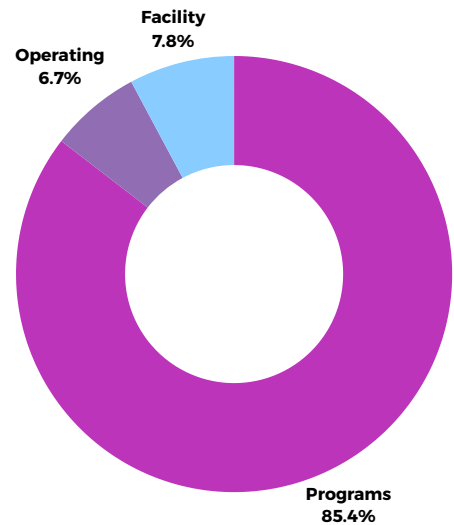
Dancewave strives to live its mission, vision, and values at all levels of the organization. We allocate our financial resources carefully and strategically to maximize community impact. Dancewave prioritizes equitable access for all participants, providing fee-based programs that employ flexible and free tuition options. No one is ever turned away for lack of funds.

Thanks to the organization's excellent fiscal management, Dancewave has emerged strong following the COVID-19 pandemic. Dancewave seeks to grow and diversify its financial portfolio with mission-aligned partners to ensure continued sustainability and success. To learn more, please get in touch with leadership@dancewave.org

INCOME



EXPENSES



OUR TEAM



Nicole Touzien



Kristen Stout



Kalinda Santor



Sophie Tibiletti



Jessie Sector



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Phoebe Ballard



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And a vibrant network of 180+ individuals whose charitable contributions make our work possible

We thank you for your continued support of a more inclusive and vibrant dance community.



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