



Community

Is Stronger Than Cancer



**GILDA'S
CLUB
SIMCOE
MUSKOKA**

An Affiliate of the
CANCER SUPPORT COMMUNITY

Gilda's Club Simcoe Muskoka 2021 Annual Report

The mission of Gilda's Club Simcoe Muskoka is to ensure all people impacted by cancer are empowered by knowledge, strengthened by action and sustained by community.

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Men's Group: Graham Knight

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Qigong: Brenda Light-MacKinnon

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Erin King BSW, RSW

Program Coordinator



Beyond The Red Door Society

Beyond The Red Door Society members ensured that Gilda's Club Simcoe Muskoka was able to successfully focus on and adapt our Cancer Support Program during a global health crisis. Beyond The Red Door Society membership ensures a sustainable planning, management, and expansion of our free Cancer Support Program, at no cost to individuals and families touched by cancer.

Leadership Gift

Crook, David
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Gift of Empowerment

Charlebois, Christine
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Young, Therese

What our Members said

"Gilda's Club (in person *and* virtual) has been critical to my cancer recovery and well being. I am forever grateful to all of the staff and volunteers who support all of us who never wanted to go on this cancer journey. I didn't want to be in this cancer club but I am so glad Gilda's is here for us!"

"In my darkest hours of caregiving for my sister, you helped guide me through."

"Great to pass through the red door once again and meet in person. Felt safe!"

"Without virtual programming I would have not been able to participate in any Gilda's activities as I live far away. I am so thankful to have had access to virtual programming during the pandemic (and hopefully beyond)!"

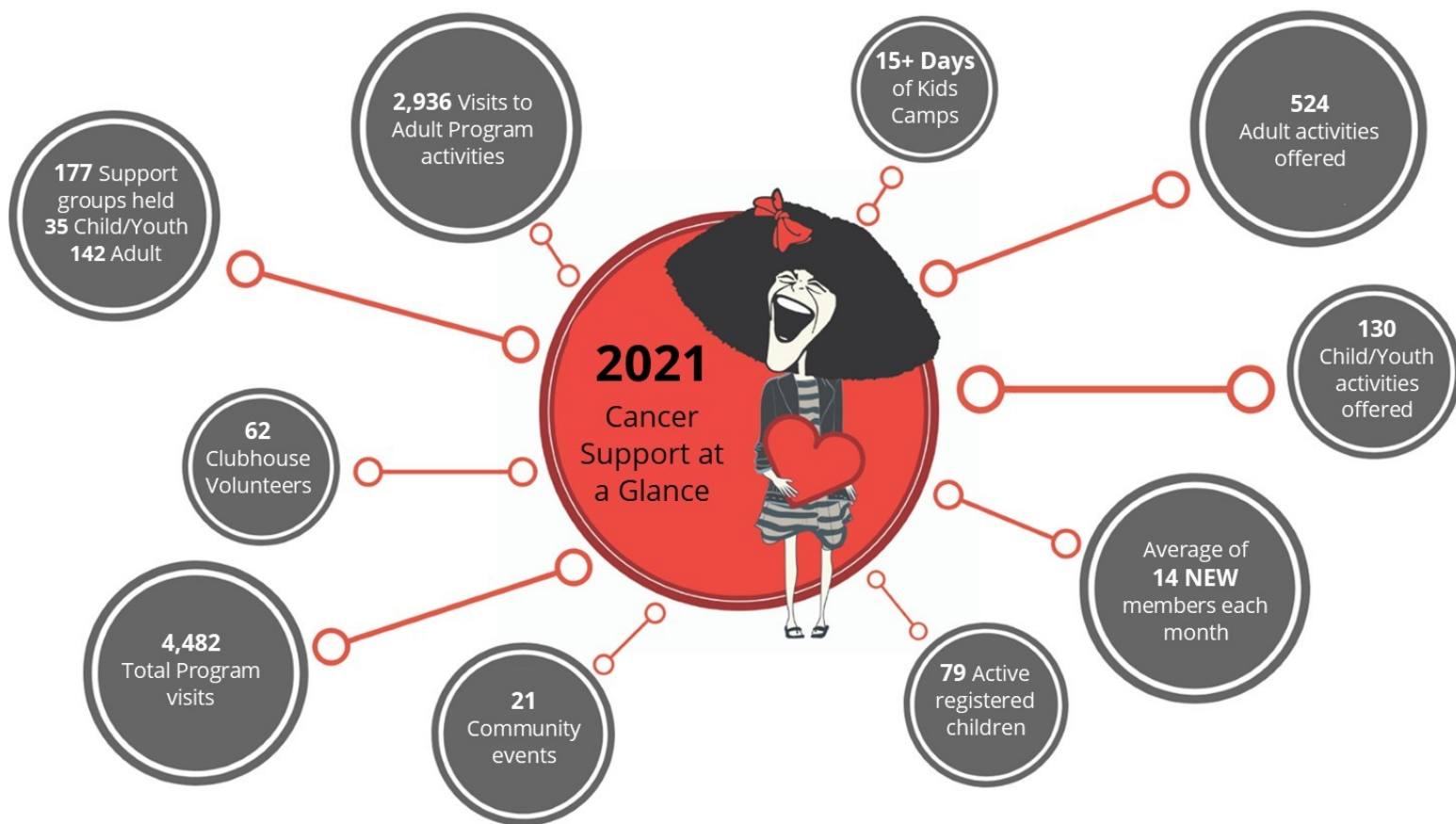
"I am not alone in this journey. Gilda's 2022 Calendar photo shoot was well worth it. Mr. August."

"I'm glad I finally reached out to you. Great team of supportive individuals."

"Thanks for such a great environment to work at healing. The support at Gilda's has been exceptional!"

“Thank you for being so kind and welcoming. From connecting with staff to meeting others in the same session as me. I hope I will be able to attend more sessions in 2022. The impression I get from Gilda’s Simcoe Muskoka is that it’s a welcoming and supportive environment.”

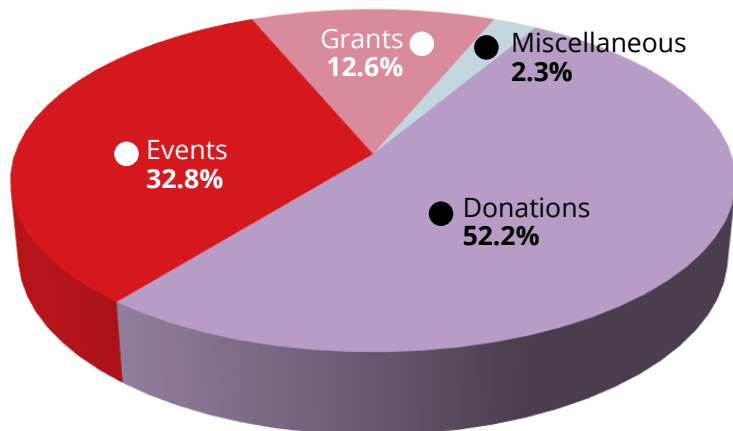
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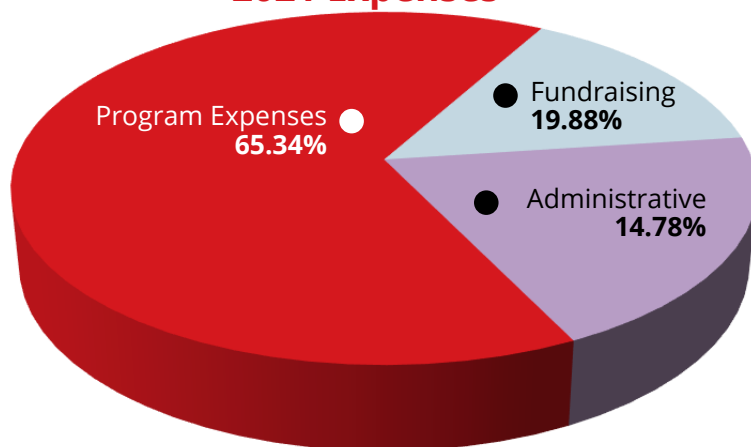
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Gilda’s Club relies on the Simcoe Muskoka community for support. Our cancer support programs are free of charge to members. Gilda’s Club Simcoe Muskoka is proud of the way it manages and safeguards the general contributions we received from donors, corporations, and other organizations.

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2021 Expenses



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– Gilda Radner



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