

ROCK ISLAND-MILAN  
YOUTH SPORTS

*Presenter of*



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**2023**

**ANNUAL REPORT**

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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Dear Friends of The Organization:

As President of Rock Island-Milan Youth Sports, I am proud to present the 2023 Annual Report. This summary documents our accomplishments and success to date with plans for future goals and objectives.

The Organization's focus is to:

- 1. Raise money to elevate & maximize playing conditions of facilities;*
- 2. Purchase and / or improve key equipment utilized for activities;*
- 3. Remove economic barriers which have prevented many children from actively participating in team sports and extracurricular activities.*

Due to the outpouring of support from the community this past year was a busy one. We welcomed and celebrated more than **10,000** attendees at the Milan Harvest Festival over Labor Day weekend. This family-friendly event included live music, carnival rides, games, food vendors, a trading card show, disc golf, a Jeep show, parade, fireworks, and more!

As we continue to grow, please know Sponsor Partnerships are vital. I look forward to exploring opportunities together which help kids thrive and reach their fullest potential.



*Kevin W. Nolan*

Respectfully,  
**Kevin Nolan**  
President of the Board

# ABOUT THE ORGANIZATION

Founded in 2022, Rock Island-Milan Youth Sports, a 501 C 3, was formed to raise funds for youth sports and extracurricular activities within the community. As a registered nonprofit, we rely on donations and sponsorships from the community and public to support our mission.

Our work is based on the belief that children who participate in team activities develop qualities of citizenship, leadership, respect, responsibility, discipline, confidence, self-worth, teamwork, and physical health & well-being.



# KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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2023 was a remarkable year for the Organization. Some key accomplishments include:



More than **10,000** attendees at the 2023 Festival

This family-friendly event is designed to have something for everyone. Formerly known as the Milan Indian Summer Festival, the event is about civic pride, legacy, identity, and the sense of community all while raising funds to be invested in our youth.



Positively impacting over **2,500** children in our community

Recipients included Geneseo High School Band, Junior Board of RI, Moline High School Band, RI-Milan Babe Ruth League, RIHS Art Department, RIHS Band, RIHS Baseball, RIHS Softball, RI-Milan Booster Club, RI-Milan Little League, Sherrard High School Band, and Sherrard Music Boosters.



Donations and sponsorships from more than **100** different entities

In addition, we had more than 200 volunteers donate their time. We are sincerely grateful for the generosity we've been given. Without the continued support of the community, the Milan Harvest Festival would not be possible.

# SPONSORS

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## Harvest Sponsors

Ecogistics

XPAC

## Main Stage Sponsors

Rexroat Sound

## Maple Sponsors

A1 Morris Heating & Cooling

Knights of Pythias

Grant & Virginia Brissman Foundation

Nucor

## Community Partner Sponsors

Backwater Gamblers

Rock Island Township

Bush Sports Turf

SFS Strategic Financial Solutions

Group O

State Farm – Chris Elsberg, Agent

King Food Service

Valley Construction

Rich Bassford – The Bassford Team

Village Auto Outlet

RILCO Lubricants & Services

Wheelan-Pressly Funeral Home & Crematory

Riverside Family Dentistry

## Friend of the Festival Sponsors

Blackhawk Bank & Trust

Hungry Hobo

Peters & Granet Real Estate

Bob's Blacktop

Hy-Vee (Milan and RI)

PerMar

Bonnett Wholesale Florist

IHMVCU

Reuther Construction

Bruce Enterprises

Kar Mart

RIEMR Inc

Central States Development

McLaughlin Body Co.

SC2

Crawford Company

McManus Orthodontics

Scott County Fence Co.

Fortress Bank

Midwest Complete Construction

Streamline Architects

Good Ol' Boys Tree Service

Mike Thoms

Zimmerman Honda

Hiland Toyota

NTI Nature's Treatment

## Bronze Sponsors

B&B Hardware & Rental

Langman Construction, Inc.

RIA Federal Credit Union

Califf + Harper

MidAmerican Energy

River City Church Milan

Carpentier Mitchell Goddard

Milan American Legion

SERVPRO

CIMCO Recycling

Milan Black Top

Sexton Ford

DynaGro Seed

Milan Chamber of Commerce

SFT Financial

Euclid Beverage

Neil Ferrari, State Farm

South Rock Island Township

Hawkeye Commercial RE

Pagalo's Pizzeria & Gelato

Southpark Psychology

IBEW Local 145

Performance Foodservice

Stengel, Bailey, & Robertson

Illinois Casualty Company

QC Coffee & Pancake House

The Bedding Group

IMEG

Quad City Pet Care

Uptown Vapors

JL Brady Co.

Quality Group

Wooley Trucking, LLC

L&M Accounts Inc.

Ray Turkmani, Farmers Ins.

Xtream powered by Mediacom

## Donors

Atomic Sports Cards

KONE

RI Conservation Club

Bowlyou's Ice Cream & Grill

Midwest Bank

Sunbelt Rentals

Brian Hollenback

Milan Lion's Club

Theo's Java Cafe

Electronic Engineering QC

Millennium Waste Inc.

VFC Distributors, Inc.

Goetz Concrete Construction

Modern Woodmen

Virdi Eye Clinic

Independent Ins. Services

Quad City Bank & Trust

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# MEET OUR DIRECTORS

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**Mike Bell** is a life-long Rock Island Resident and the Quad Cities Market President for Midwest Bank. He has been employed in various Bank Lending, Operations and Management positions for 35 Years. Mike and his family are passionate about providing community health, wellness and growth initiatives and opportunities, especially for youth, focusing on maximizing dreams and potential.

**Jason Burgett** is employed by Nutrien Ag Solutions and oversees the company's day to day operations for their internally owned seed brand, Dyna-Gro. He grew up in Minnesota but has called Illinois home for the past 14 years. Jason has always been passionate about giving back to local communities, especially in ways that benefit future generations. Being a father to two adult sons that were actively involved in sports growing up, it's important to him to continue to promote youth organizations and help them succeed.

**Robert Downing** is employed at TBK Bank Sports Complex and Iron Tee Golf as the Director of Technology. He and his wife Teri reside in Rock Island and have two children that attend Rock Island High School and are involved in Baseball, Softball, Youth Group, The Grey Matters Collective, and The National Honor Society. Robert is passionate about youth sports and giving back to the community through volunteerism. He is a seventh-year board member of the Rock Island-Milan Little league and President of Rock Island-Milan Babe Ruth Baseball/Softball.

**Reza Fardi-Turkmani** was born and raised in the Quad Cities and attended Moline High-School where he wrestled and played football. He is the owner of SFT Financial Group and a Farmers Insurance Agency, selling Life, Health, Property and Casualty insurance and is the current Vice President of Rock Island-Milan Little League. Reza and his wife have four kids who are actively involved in various youth activities.

**Mark Hemphill** holds many fond memories of the Milan Indian Summer Festival as a native of Aledo, Illinois; today he is happy to be involved with the Milan Harvest Festival. He is a graduate of Augustana College, majoring in Accounting and Business Administration, and is the Senior Managerial Accountant at Ecogistics in Moline, Illinois. As a parent – and now grandparent – of young people involved in many extracurricular activities over the years, he understands the importance of supporting these vital programs. Mark and his wife Kim reside in Delmar, Iowa, where he is a member of the Delmar Lions and actively involved in many community projects and activities.

**Tina Imes** was raised in the Quad Cities and entered the field of education early on in her career. Tina currently serves as the Assistant Principal of Student and Staff Supports for Galesburg School District #205, bringing 28 years of experience in education and administration. With a passion for student success and a commitment to fostering a positive learning environment, Tina works closely with faculty, staff, and students. In 2018, she formed the Fearlessly Girl Club at Galesburg High School and works with dedicated staff to bring leadership skills, student voice, and community involvement to girls in grades 7-12. She resides in Rock Island with her husband Rick. She is the proud parent of a daughter, two sons and two grandsons.

**Kirk McKnight** was born and raised in Milan, IL. He and his wife, Anita have been married for 39 years and counting. Kirk had a great career at MidAmerican Energy and retired after 44 years. He is the current President of Rock Island-Milan Little League and former Boy Scouts of America Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster in the Illowa Council. He is also a member of Davenport Valley Archers and enjoys family time, the outdoors, boating, fishing, and archery hunting.

**Ella Nolan** is a full-time college student majoring in communications and holds a manager position with Iconic Coffee and Energy Bar. In addition to volunteering for the Harvest Festival, she has volunteered her time at The Overlook Senior Living center.

**Kevin Nolan** is President & CEO of Ecogistics a Moline, Illinois - based third-party logistics company he founded in 2009. Kevin is a skilled supply chain expert who has led organizations in manufacturing, procurement, transportation, and logistics positions. Kevin loves music of all kinds and could be described as a life-long learner. He has a particular love of his community, where he heavily supports youth activities primarily through Rock Island-Milan Youth Sports, The Milan Harvest Festival, and Little League Baseball and Softball.

**Stephanie Purdy** was born and raised in the Quad Cities. In addition to being a Board member of Rock Island-Milan Youth Sports, she is the current Treasurer and Assistant Coach of Firebirds USA '13. She and her husband Andrew have two children that keep them highly active and involved in their various activities and over the years have volunteered their time at organizations such as Junior Achievement, Big Brothers Big Sisters, Relay for Life, Orion Little League, Charger Youth Volleyball, and several youth wrestling clubs. Stephanie has a spirit of stewardship and thrives on sharing this with others through her community involvement.

# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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The following is the organization’s financial statement for the year 2023.

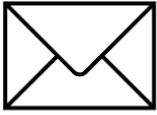
	<u>Jan - Dec 23</u>
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>	
<b>Income</b>	
Corporate and Community Support	130,612.30
Festival Revenue	62,527.99
Vendor Support	2,350.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<u>195,490.29</u>
<b>Expense</b>	
Contract Services	7,400.00
Facilities and Equipment	45,574.57
Festival Expenses	27,366.83
Operations	12,664.03
Other Types of Expenses	4,317.00
Promotion	16,409.03
Travel and Meetings	538.99
<b>Total Expense</b>	<u>114,270.45</u>
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	81,219.84
<b>Other Income/Expense</b>	
<b>Other Expense</b>	
<b>Program Support</b>	
Geneseo High School Band	
Junior Board of Rock Island	
Moline High School Band	
RI Milan Babe Ruth League	
RIHS Art Dept	
RIHS Band	
RIHS Baseball	
RIHS Softball	
Rock Island Booster Club	
Rock Island Milan Little League	
Sherrard High School Band	
Sherrard Music Boosters	
<b>Total Program Support</b>	<u>39,741.83</u>
<b>Net Income</b>	<u><u>41,478.01</u></u>



# CONTACT US

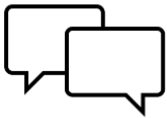
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If you would like to learn more information about our Organization, donate and/or become a sponsor, please contact us at:



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