

# YOU CREATE WAVES *of Change*



THE ABILITY  
EXPERIENCE  
A PI KAPPA PHI PHILANTHROPY

## GETTING BACK *to camp*

We hosted some of our first Ability Camps out of COVID-19 pandemic this spring and fall. Chapters are now asking about camp availability and wanting to know how they can plug in. Donors this year have ensured we continue rising to meet the needs of current and future student members of Pi Kappa Phi.



## PRIORITIZING STUDENT *success*

From Pi Kapp College for Emerging Leaders this May to our 57th Supreme Chapter in July, we had the opportunity to get in front of students and re-engage them. We witnessed young men getting out of their comfort zone, being vulnerable, asking questions and really experiencing what The Ability Experience is all about.

## A RENEWED ENERGY *for summer events*

This year marked the first year back for our Journey of Hope TransAmerica route, and the impact of these organizations getting back with the team after a two-year hiatus was powerful. The energy of the summer gained tremendous momentum which we plan to build on in the coming academic year.



*Thank  
You*

"My son said he feels like he can do anything now! What a life-changing experience ... he has a much greater appreciation for the diversity of this country, of the brothers in his fraternity, and especially for people with disabilities."

– Cheryl Marconi 2022 Journey of Hope, TransAmerica Route Parent

# THIS YEAR WAS THE 45TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ABILITY EXPERIENCE

Over the last year, we re-engaged our chapters, closed out a record-setting Ride Along event, and got Ability Camps up and running again. Thanks to you, we opened the doors to new shared experiences among our Gear Up Florida and Journey of Hope teams, and received significant funding from supporters to advance our growth in servant leadership, empathy training, and education. Now, we are preparing to engage more chapters in increasingly diverse programming and events in the coming academic year.

**All of this progress and reconnection is thanks to you.**

"The young men of Pi Kappa Phi represent the very best values and characteristics we should celebrate -- service, selflessness, commitment, and love."

- Dr. Mark A Johnson, The Arc of Alachua County, Gainesville, FL  
2022 Gear Up Florida Partner



Cycling Teams Visited  
65 Organizations



Teams Met 2,635 People  
with Disabilities



59 Grants Awarded to  
Organizations in Need



40 Chapters Restored  
a Volunteer Partnership



\$325,000 Raised for the  
Tirado-Porterfield Memorial Fund



189 Amazing 77  
Society Donors



133 Ability  
Camp Volunteers



\$32,960 Raised Through the  
Rock Community Challenge



250 Gas Tanks filled for the  
Journey of Hope Teams

## LOOKING TO THE future



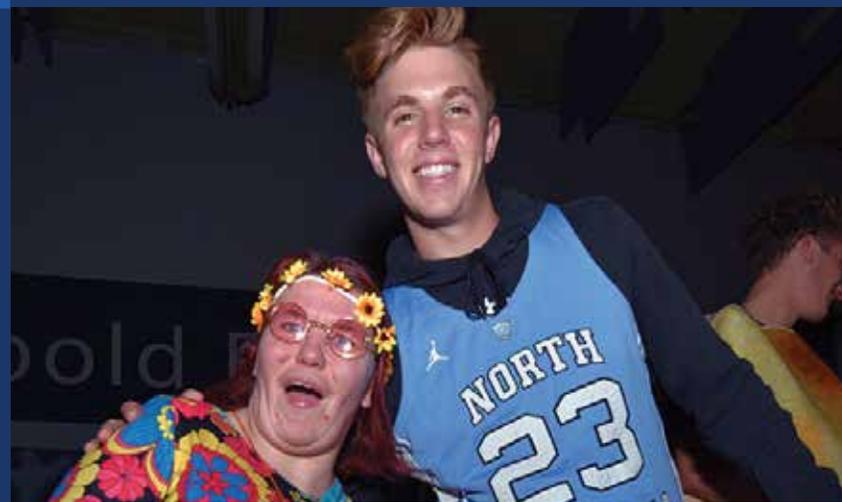
Your incredible generosity this year has created ripples that are now developing into waves. Waves of increasing size and speed are required to continue the Pi Kappa Phi tradition of fraternity men connecting with our friends in the disability community. Thank you!

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President and Executive Director

## A RESURGENCE OF chapter engagement

At the core of the last 45 years of The Ability Experience is the chapter experience. Though the COVID-19 pandemic has interrupted normal chapter operations, we have begun re-engaging our chapters and starting ripples within these chapters to step up, to get more involved with The Ability Experience servant leadership programming and opportunities to impact the disability community in their area.



*Thank You*

"Serving others became less about what I was doing to help the community and more about building relationships with some truly amazing people, despite any preconceptions about our surface-level differences."

- Matt Ramsay, Delta Lambda (UNC- Charlotte)

## PI ALPHA ENGAGEMENT and support

This 45th anniversary year was extraordinary. We welcomed 68 Pi Alphas back into the fold and gave them adventure and reconnection. Over the 3-day ride, friendships were rekindled – as well as their passion for our core values and what it means to be a Pi Alpha. This powerhouse of a Ride Along team is further proof that as The Ability Experience grows, so does our commitment to providing life-changing shared experiences and servant leadership education to every student that seeks it.



"So much of who I am is due to my experiences through Pi Kappa Phi and the Ability Experience. Now is the time for all of us to re-engage and share our time, talent, and treasure."

- Christopher Orr, Alpha Delta (Washington), Journey of Hope South 1992 Crew, 1993 Cyclist, 2022 Ride Along Cyclist

*Thank You*