

## TAP CANCER OUT

ANNUAL REPORT



To all Tap Cancer Out Stakeholders and Supporters,

2018 was an incredible year, not just for Tap Cancer Out but also for myself and my family. In 2010, Tap Cancer Out was just an idea, and a half-baked one at that. I didn't know how we'd actually raise funds or what it meant to be a "Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu Nonprofit." I always thought it would be a part-time-passion. By day, I was a mild mannered advertising strategist. By night, I was fighting cancer dressed up in my superhero outfit—a Tap Cancer Out x Inverted Gear Gi, of course.

But by the end 2017, the two ends of my candle—both burning—were about to meet and I had to make a decision. That summer, with the support of family and friends, I left the professional life I knew for more than a decade and dove into Tap Cancer Out full-time. It was one of the most freeing feelings I've ever felt. Even better than escaping that super-tight arm bar. Each day I woke up excited about the work I was about to do, with more ideas than I had time to pursue. It would be unfair to say my dream was coming true, because it was beyond my wildest dreams, and I have the Tap Cancer Out community of fundraisers, competitors, volunteers, donors, and supporters to thank for that.

However, if I was going to go full-time, we needed more events. More than double, actually. Plus a trailer, truck, and driver. To accomplish this, we bought that truck and trailer, hired a Tour Director to drive around the country, and created the "Grappling for Good Tour." This new initiative would bring our innovative tournament series to seven states in two months, six of which were new markets for us. The Tour set the foundation for our growth for years to come and helped us begin to fulfill our vision of giving every grappler the opportunity to fight for those in the fight of their lives.

As you'll see in the following pages, 2018 was another record-breaking year. The support of our community allowed us to host eleven tournaments across the country, welcoming more than 3,500 competitors to our mats to celebrate, honor, remember, and fight for those in their lives who have been touched by cancer. This allowed us to present a gift of \$465,000 to Alex's Lemonade Stand which funded nine different pediatric research grants and helped more than 275 families access the potentially lifesaving treatment they need via ALSF's Travel for Care Program.

And to be honest, I feel like we're just getting started.

Sincerely,

Jon Thomas

Founder and Executive Director

### **OUR MISSION**

To motivate and empower the Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu community to raise awareness and funds for cancer fighting organizations.



### **OUR VISION**

To give every grappler the opportunity to fight for those in the fight of their lives.







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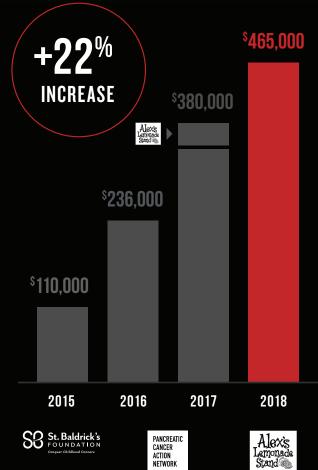


### OUR <u>Partner</u>ship:

Our first year partnering with Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation was incredibly rewarding. Liz, Jay, and their team supported us in so many ways, helping us empower our fundraisers to create even more impact than ever before.

At the end of 2018 we were honored to present Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation with a gift for \$465,000, which funded nine grants and helped more than 275 families access the life-saving treatment they so desperately need via ALSF's Travel for Care program.

The gift was a 22% total increase year over year, bringing our total funds donated to our beneficiaries all-time to \$1,360,000.





Our 2018 gift of \$465,000 to Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation was split in two ways, with \$275,000 supporting nine research grants at nine different universities and hospitals across the United States. Another \$190,000 was dedicated to ALSF's Travel For Care program, which helps lessen the burden families fighting childhood cancer face when traveling to vital appointments and treatment. With an average cost of travel at \$700 per family, our gift helped more than 270 families focus on treatment and not their buget for travel costs.

\$275,000
IN PEDIATRIC CANCER RESEARCH GRANTS





















# "THE ABSOLUTE BEST!

NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS, WIN, LOSE OR DRAW,

### YOU CAN ALWAYS FEEL GREAT KNOWING YOU HELPED

MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN PEOPLE'S LIVES."

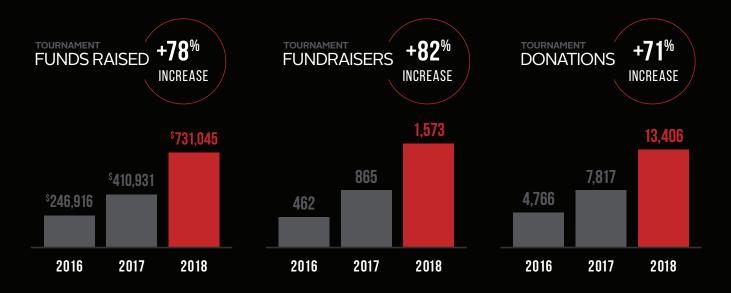
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# 2018 YEAR IN REVIEW



SAN DIEGO, CA — NEW HAVEN, CT — BUFFALO, NY — RALEIGH, NC — NEW ORLEANS, LA ORLANDO, FL — AUSTIN, TX — ST. LOUIS, MO — CHICAGO, IL — DOWNINGTOWN, PA — DANVERS, MA

In 2018, we more than doubled the number of tournaments we hosted, thanks to our "Grappling for Good Tour" which brought our innovative tournament series to six new markets. Our tournaments in total grossed \$731,045, a 78% increase year-over-year (YoY). For the second year we nearly doubled the number of transacting fundraisers at 1,573, who garnered 13,406 donations, a 71.5% increase YoY. Of our new cities, Chicago was by and large the best performer, setting the record for most fundraised (\$78,522), held previously by Philadelphia '16 at \$45k. Connecticut continued as our flagship event raising \$157,328.





### 5 CITIES — 3 COUNTRIES — \$27,500+ RAISED

In only its second (official) year of existence in 2018, we saw four Grapplethons take place in three different countries! England (Artemis BJJ, Wave BJJ) actually hosted the most (2), followed by Canada (Vancouver, Bateson's Martial Arts/NWBJJ Maple Ridge) and the United States (California, Gold Country BJJ), both with one. Combined they encouraged 32 transacting fundraisers and 157 generous donors to raise \$13,778.51.

But the support didn't stop at Grapplethons. In late November we received an email from Mark Vives, a black belt out of New Breed Training Center in Chicago, IL. He wanted to support our cause by hosting I2 seminars in I2 days in early December. Mark's incredible efforts and the support of the Chicagoland BJJ community raised an additional \$13,371, making Mark's seminars the single-most successful volunteer-hosted event series ever hosted on our behalf. Thank you Mark!!

GRAPPLETHON FUNDS RAISED \$27K GRAPPLETHON FUNDRAISERS 32 GRAPPLETHON DONATIONS 221



# YEARLY FUNDS RAISED

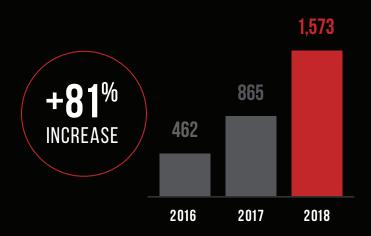
Fundraising is vital for us to support the infrastructure of Tap Cancer Out and, ultimately, our beneficiaries. 2018 saw us begin our partnership with Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation. By the end of 2018 we were able to donate \$465,000 to Alex's, plus an additional \$30,000 from 2017 fundraising activity.





It's a special sign of commitment to our cause when an individual fundraises on our behalf. Our top ten individual fundraisers of 2018 generated an incredible \$47,308. In total we had 1,573 transacting fundraisers, an 81% increase from last year.

#### **NUMBER OF TRANSACTING FUNDRAISERS**



### **2018 TOP FUNDRAISERS**

	TOTAL	\$47,308
10	SOPHIA KIRKLEWSKI	\$3,617
9	WARREN BRAND	\$3,808
8	ALYSON ALBERINO	\$3,818
7	ROBBY WARFORD	\$4,034
6	NUNO ALMEIDA	\$4,084
5	DIEGO CUENCA	\$4,138
4	MICHAEL GOLDSTEIN	\$4,621
3	JESSE LOCANTORE	\$5,469
2	SONNY NGUYEN	\$6,062
	CODY ALESSI	\$ 1,65 /



# DONORS

Our success, ultimately, is fueled by our generous donors. More than 13,400 individual gifts were donated to Tap Cancer Out in 2018. While every single gift is cherished, we like to recognize those gifts that help us dream even bigger.

### **2018 TOP DONORS**

#### **\$2,000 AND UP**

THE FALLS IN HUDSON
TIM PATIN
MARK VIVES
BJJ TEES
ZEIDMAN & ASSOC.
SEYMOUR YANG
(MEERKATSU)

#### \$1,999 TO \$1,000

MIKE WEAFER
MARK WEGENER
PHONG NGUYEN
MICHAEL DWYER
NICHOLAS LEWIS
LEO JEAN
NATHAN HARRIS
CHRISTINE LAUNCH
PRIME BUCHOLZ
KAREN O'CONNOR

#### \$999 TO \$500

NADIR OSBORNE SHITAL PATEL JACK & JENN O'NEILL **MSONS FUEL** LENNON SLATTER SCOTT KAZAR JOSEPH BENACQUISTO **EAMONN WODDCOCK** CHRISTOPHER KIM JIU JITSU TEES **AVALON BAY** THE ALESSI FAMILY **ANTHONY ZITO RYAN CHALOUX** DAVID KELLY THE ALBERINO FAMILY

**KURT TWADDELL** WILLIAM ORTEGA **OLIVIER LAURIN DANIEL HUGHES** MICHAEL CLOHECY MILLENNIUM AUTO **GROUP** VAHAN MANOOGIAN THOMAS TIMKO VINCENT MCELDERRY LAURA KIRKLEWSKI ANDREW KEENAN MARY HARMON **BRANDON SCHILLING JASON RENNA** C-4 RENTALS STEVE CHERNY

**BMO TEAM** NUIMAGE TEAM NESHAT TRAN NGUYEN ANTHONY BRADGON JEFF SORBEL ANTHONY RUGGIANO **GARY ALLEN DON KASPER ERIC SWANSON** LEAH LEHMAN **GREG PRESSWOOD** JAY MEJIA **DOUGLAS CARROLL** RYAN ROWLAND WAYNE FAULKNER **ANTHONY CASH** 

# GRANTS

Grants are intended to invest in Tap Cancer Out's infrastructure to host more events and make an ever larger impact in the fight against cancer in 2019 and beyond. We cherish each of these, but we do not publish all of them out of respect of those that prefer their gifts be private. Our total grants in 2018 totaled \$40,000.

#### **KOHL'S NATIONAL GIVING PROGRAM**

Amount: \$10,000

Tap Cancer Out was nominated by a Kohl's employee and chosen by the Kohl's National Giving Program to receive a \$10,000 grant. This program provides over \$3 million in grants to health and wellness focused non-profits to help further their commitment to communities nationwide. The grant is made possible through the Kohl's Cares, the organization's philanthropic program.



# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

#### Tap Cancer Out Inc.

#### Statement of Financial Activities Years ended December 31, 2018 to December 31, 2015

	2018		2017		2016		2015	
Revenue:								
Corporate Contributions	\$	773,242	\$	469,326	\$	272,450	\$	138,618
Tournament Registrations	\$	168,650	\$	108,283	\$	37,891	\$	26,487
Merchandise Sales	\$	84,242	\$	70,281	\$	54,687	\$	16,888
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Grants	\$	42,481	\$	55,000	\$	-	\$	-
Spectator Revenue	\$	40,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Total Gross Receipts	\$	1,108,615	\$	702,891	\$	365,028	\$	181,993
Other Types of Income								
Interest	\$	23	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Other Revenue	\$	3,033	\$	11,227	\$	3,431	\$	1,559
Total Revenues	\$	1,111,671	\$	714,118	\$	368,459	\$	183,552
Expenses:								
Cost of Goods Sold								
<b>TOURNAMENTS</b>								
Referee Fees	\$	28,795						
EMT Fees	\$	2,446						
Venue Fees	\$	29,522	\$	9,021	\$	6,900	\$	2,079
Bracketing Manangement Fees	\$	5,610						
Insurance	\$	6,270	\$	7,428	\$	1,995	\$	1,848
Merchandise Not for Resale	\$	33,191	\$	21,227				
Supplies	\$	7,139						
Postage / Shipping	\$	2,370						
Meals	\$	9,781						
Lodging	\$	15,503						
Travel	\$	21,447						
Marketing - Print	\$	7,151						
Marketing - Digital	\$	46,029						
Professional Fees	\$	4,345						
Labor	\$	480						
Medals	\$	11,520						
Tournament Director Fees	\$	10,525						
Transportation	\$	5,517						
Photography/Videography		1,000						
<b>Total Cost of Tournaments</b>	\$	248,641						
<u>MERCHANDISE</u>								
Merchandise	\$	78,223						
Marketing - Digital	\$	15,460						
Photography/Videography	\$	250						
Merchant Fees - Merchandise	\$	2,394						
<b>Total Cost of Merchandise</b>	\$	96,327	\$	54,874	\$	18,970	\$	25,204

<u>DONATIONS</u>							
Merchant Fees - Donations	\$	40,905					
<b>Total Cost of Donations</b>	\$	40,905					
OTHER INCOME							
Merchant Fees - Registrations	\$	110					
Food for Resale	\$	388					
Total Cost of Merchandise	<u>\$</u>	499					
Total Cost of Merchandise	J	400					
Total Cost of Good Sold		386,372	=				
Gross Profit	\$	725,299					
Expenses							
DEPRECIATION & AMORTIZATION							
Depreciation	\$	7,310					
	\$						
Total Depreciation & Amortization	•	7,310					
EQUIPMENT & FACILITIES							
Electronics Expense - Hardware	\$	2,365					
Electronics Expense - Software	\$	10,757					
Equipment Expense	\$	13					
Equipment Expense - Auto	\$	1,723					
Total Equipment & Facilities Expense	\$	14,858	\$	18,369			
GENERAL & ADMINISTRATIVE							
Books, Subscriptions, Reference	\$	304					
Postage, Mailing Service	\$	11,642	\$	10,440	\$	3,191	\$ 2,308
Printing and Copying	\$	61					
Supplies	\$	1,323	\$	16,490	\$	19,790	\$ 8,387
Telephone, Telecommunications	\$	2,164					
Insurance	\$	1,693					
Bank Fees	\$	247					
Filing Fees / Gov. Fees	\$	1,212					
Storage Fees	\$	2,111	\$	1,907	\$	2,402	\$ 2,501
Volunteer / Referee Clothing	\$	646					
Website	\$	336					
Office Supplies	\$	391			Ф	450	
Conferences & Training	\$	150			\$	458	
Total General & Administrative Expenses	\$	22,280					
GRANTS TO BENEFICIARIES	ø	165,000					
Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation	\$	465,000					
Total Grants to Beneficiaries	\$	465,000	\$	380,000	\$	236,000	\$ 110,000
Payroll Expenses							
Salaries	\$	73,333					
FICA Tax Expense	\$	5,419					
FUTA Tax Expense	\$	540					
Payroll Processing Fees	\$	360					
<b>Total Payroll Expenses</b>	\$	79,652	\$	10,600	\$	10,600	\$ 10,600

Professional Fees					
Accounting	\$	708			
Professional Fees - Other	\$	4,307			
<b>Total Professional Fees</b>	\$	5,015	\$ 36,192	\$ 42,593	\$ 17,579
Marketing					
Marketing - Print	\$	751			
Marketing - Agency	\$	113,000	\$ 104,717	\$ 11,817	\$ 2,671
<b>Total Marketing Expenses</b>	\$	113,751			
Travel & Entertainment					
Travel	\$	42			
Lodging	\$	280			
Meals	\$	730			
Transportation	\$	1,470			
<b>Total Travel &amp; Entertainment Expenses</b>	\$	2,522	\$ 13,617	\$ 15,875	\$ 8,825
OTHER EXPENSES					
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$				
<b>Total Other Expenses</b>	\$	-	\$ 661	\$ 39	\$ 127
Total Expenses	\$	710,388	\$ 685,543	\$ 370,630	\$ 192,128
Change in Net Assets	\$	14,911	\$ 28,574	\$ (2,171)	\$ (8,576)
Net Asset at Beginning of Year	\$	29,509	\$ 934	\$ 3,105	\$ 11,681
Net Asset at End of Year		44,420	\$ 29,509	\$ 934	\$ 3,105