



EPILEPSY
FOUNDATION

COLORADO & WYOMING



2022 annual report

CONNECT. EDUCATE. EMPOWER.

2022 Highlights



CONNECT



- In 2022 we hired a new Wyoming Director who now offers programs and services to the nearly 5,000 people with epilepsy in Wyoming.
- In our commitment to diversity and inclusion, our Hispanic Outreach Program engaged more than 200 Spanish-speaking individuals in epilepsy education, support groups and direct support.
- Our special events such as the Walk to END EPILEPSY and the Summits & Stars Gala brought together more than 3,000 people to raise awareness and build community.



EDUCATE



- Our information and referral team is geographically and linguistically diverse, responding to more than 600 emails, calls, and meetings to provide information, resources, case management, and more than \$7,000 in emergency financial assistance.

- We partnered with the State of Colorado and various community agencies to implement "Joey's Law" which requires all public schools in Colorado to have at least one person on staff who is trained in seizure recognition and first aid, ensuring that all students with epilepsy will have an adult at school who knows how to properly care for them.

- We launched a new and improved website to offer better access to information and resources to support people impacted by epilepsy.



EMPOWER



- More than 50 individuals participated in our mental health programs, including 18 individuals who completed PACES, a skill-building program that helps improve self-management of their health condition and improve the overall quality of life.

- In partnership with our local representatives and other health organizations we helped pass HB22-1370, which will make healthcare more affordable and dependable by reforming step therapy and prohibiting insurers from making changes to coverage mid-contract.

- Our advocacy volunteers led the effort to create an Epilepsy Awareness Colorado License Plate, which is available now!

Expand our focus on outreach to rural communities

Serve on Colorado's new Rare Disease Advisory Council

Host the first-ever Epilepsy Connect Symposium in Cheyenne

Bring Young Adults together for an in-person weekend retreat

Broaden the range of mental health services and support we offer

Invite families from across the region to join us at a brand-new Family Camp

Design an employment program to support people with epilepsy who are struggling to find meaningful work

Share our recently-produced "Seizure Disorders in Correctional Facilities" video with partners across the country

18
Participants completed skills-building program

100
Kids and teens attended summer camp

500
Newly Diagnosed kits distributed

1275
People trained in Seizure Recognition & First Aid



Our Mission & Vision

The Epilepsy Foundation of Colorado & Wyoming is the leader in connecting, educating, and empowering to improve the lives of everyone affected by epilepsy.

We **connect** people to healthcare providers, support networks, and a listening ear. We **educate** schools, employers, and the community at large, to reduce stigma and raise awareness. And we **empower** people affected by epilepsy with knowledge, resources, and advocacy to live their best lives.

Our mission: The Epilepsy Foundation of Colorado & Wyoming leads the fight to overcome the challenges of living with epilepsy and to accelerate therapies to stop seizures, find cures and save lives.

Since 1964 we have remained committed to our mission, and we will not rest until we achieve a world free from seizures.



2022 Financial Overview



Statements of Financial Position As of December 31, 2022 and 2021

	2022	2021
Cash & cash equivalents	\$209,260	\$206,362
Donations receivable	\$29,050	\$7,654
Grants receivable	\$5,000	\$0
Prepaid expenses	\$50,511	\$35,964
Operating lease right of use asset	\$47,451	\$0
Property & equipment (net)	\$1,730	\$3,460
Investments	\$1,123,801	\$1,425,085
Total assets	\$1,466,803	\$1,678,525
Accounts payable	\$21,355	\$13,560
Accruals - salaries & benefits	\$19,228	\$10,262
Deferred revenue	\$2,000	\$0
Operating lease obligation	\$48,793	
Financing lease obligations	\$2,016	\$3,878
Total liabilities	\$93,392	\$27,700
Net assets without donor restrictions	\$801,765	\$973,141
Net assets with donor restrictions	\$571,646	\$677,684
Total net assets	\$1,373,411	\$1,650,825
Total liabilities & net assets	\$1,466,803	\$1,678,525

Statements of Activities For the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

	2022	2021
Revenue & Other Support		
Special events (net)	\$539,978	\$535,039
Contributions	\$195,532	\$155,019
Wills and bequests	\$20,765	\$0
Memorials/honorariums	\$13,960	\$17,786
Foundations & Grants	\$133,935	\$144,674
Government support	\$80,189	\$107,200
Activity fees	\$27,444	\$3,376
In-kind donations	\$18,336	\$6,670
Other giving	\$1,213	\$2,861
Investments (loss)	(\$148,660)	\$133,154
Total Revenue & Support	\$882,692	\$1,105,779
Expense		
Program	\$975,801	\$691,149
Supporting Services		
Management and general	\$123,931	\$108,172
Fundraising	\$60,374	\$49,108
Total Expenses	\$1,160,106	\$848,429
Change in net assets	(\$277,414)	\$257,350

The Epilepsy Foundation of Colorado & Wyoming emerged from the COVID-19 pandemic more determined than ever to make a real and meaningful impact in the lives of our community members. We are grateful for our history of generous support which gave us enough of a cushion to meet some unexpected challenges in 2022, including rapid inflation and a significant decline in our reserve funds. We invested more in our staff, our infrastructure, and in the development of new programs. Despite a difficult year, we are proud to announce that our strong financial health and ongoing accountability and transparency has earned us a Four-Star Rating from Charity Navigator in 2022.

Today epilepsy affects nearly 65,000 people in our region, and many of those people need far more than their doctor can provide. The Epilepsy Foundation offers a wealth of programs and services that have a positive impact on quality of life - and these services are free and accessible nationwide.

Your generosity makes our life-changing work possible! As a partner in this work, your gifts fund programs that **connect** those living with and impacted by epilepsy, **educate** about epilepsy and how to respond to a seizure, and **empower** individuals through education and awareness of epilepsy.



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