





# Pitch In For Baseball 2010 Annual Report





**Engaging Communities....Changing Lives....Giving Hope** 



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As Pitch In For Baseball® enters its sixth baseball season, we are pleased to present our annual report. What characterizes the Pitch In For Baseball (PIFB) story is our ability to engage communities, change lives and give hope.

We really didn't know what impact donating new and "gently used" baseball equipment would have when the organization was launched. Passion and curiosity fueled our early days. What became clear almost immediately was the incredible connection our organization made with people of all ages and in all parts of the world. From the streets of North Philadelphia to the silk road of Western China, the simple act of kindness that is exhibited when we donate baseball and softball equipment has a transformational and lasting impact on kids and the communities where they live.

We still have much work to achieve all of our goals. Lest we look too far ahead, we must remember how we got to this point. We couldn't have come this far without the incredible network of support we've been so fortunate to attract...amazing volunteers from age 5 to 85...board members with creativity and commitment. ..financial supporters and partners whose generosity has propelled us forward.

Engaging communities, changing lives and giving hope continues to fuel my motivation for coming to work every day at Pitch In For Baseball. It's a special organization fueled by very special people and, for that, I thank you.

Play ball!

David Rhode

Executive Director
Pitch In For Baseball



# **Engaging Communities....**



#### From Azerbaijan....

"Our year has been absolutely incredible and it is really all thanks to Pitch In For Baseball. We were able to add four new teams, a team met with Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and we held our first two day championship tournament. Your equipment has been placed in towns/villages that border Armenia, Iran, Russia and Georgia."

#### To Macedonia....

"Thanks to Pitch In For Baseball, kids in Macedonia are playing baseball for the very first time. They are so excited to play this sport that they have only seen in the movies."

#### From Nashville after the flood....

"This is a great example of what a community can do. Bad news in Nashville turns much better with this help. Thanks PIFB for helping those kids play ball."

## To Philadelphia, PA....

"For the first time in a long time we had the equipment we needed. The looks on the kids faces was priceless when we handed kids their first baseball gloves. Thanks for everything!"

# Giving Hope....



The summer of 2010 was special to 13 year old Jaxson Dubinsky and his family. In fact, it is one that they won't soon forget. For the Dubinsky family, including their dog, drove from Leawood, Kansas to PIFB headquarters in Harleysville, Pennsylvania to personally donate the equipment that Jaxson had collected as part of his Bar Mitzvah project. They were on a mission to simply help underprivileged kids play baseball. For that, they were willing to drive 1,150 miles. Stories like Jaxson's are what make PIFB so special. For PIFB is fueled by volunteers that work tirelessly to organize equipment drives all over the country. Jaxson cared enough to do what he could...and he made a difference.

# **Changing Lives....**



All it takes is a glove....in many cases, something that they can call their own for the very first time. It doesn't take much to make a child smile. Organized baseball and softball can help foster happier, healthier lives while teaching the value of teamwork and sportsmanship. It can also, in many cases, simply be a means of keeping kids off 'the street'. As said by one grateful coach..."I cannot begin to tell you how well received your donation will be for these young people who are often made to feel like outcasts. We are reaching the underserved and underprivileged youth of our community using baseball to teach them about life." By recycling our gently used equipment and uniforms, we are able to give these youth a chance to be a kid and just play ball.

# PITCH IN FOR BASEBALL STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

For the 12 Months Ended 12/31/10

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| Grants Received                   | 157,000.00 |
|-----------------------------------|------------|
| Individual/Business Contributions | 95,502.44  |

Total Income 252,502.44

25,637.55

## **Expenses**

Net Income/(Loss)

| Wages                                      | 96,745.65       |
|--|-----------------|
| Taxes/Benefits/Insurance                   | 38,219.19       |
| Professional Fees                          | 7,103.35        |
| Other Personnel                            | 952.00          |
| Rent                                       | 23,920.00       |
| Repairs/Janitorial                         | 1,430.41        |
| Utilities                                  | 4,403.24        |
| Office Supplies                            | 926.18          |
| Advertising/Marketing/Printing             | 927.88          |
| Postage/Delivery                           | 11,539.94       |
| Shipping Supplies                          | 4,627.53        |
| Dues/Subscriptions/Professional Developmen | t 532.50        |
| Automobile                                 | 1,126.59        |
| Telephone                                  | 408.56          |
| Travel/Meetings                            | 2,545.44        |
| Meals/Entertainment                        | 536.86          |
| Program Services-Equipment                 | 23,700.44       |
| Fixed Asset Purchases                      | 874.24          |
| Miscellaneous                              | <u>4,953.81</u> |
| Total Expense                              | es 226,864.89   |

## A Few Words From PIFB Board President, Roy Smalley, III....

I still remember putting on my first Little League uniform. It was, and still is, one of the happiest and most exciting days of my life. Chances are you have a memory like that about playing baseball as a child yourself or about the thrill that a child of yours has had. You know how significant playing baseball is in the life and development of any kid. Yet there are so many kids today who do not have the opportunity to play ball simply because they don't have the equipment. Pitch In For Baseball is in the business of bringing the joy of playing baseball to kids everywhere by providing them with the equipment they could never hope to procure on their own. We do that by distributing the new and gently used equipment that so many people have donated to us...and the list of donors grows every day. Thank you! But equipment donations alone cannot satisfy all of the need. We need your financial support, as well, in order to supply new baseballs, hard to find catchers gear, and many other items necessary to outfit a baseball team that cannot be addressed through used equipment. My personal mission is to help make sure that no kid who wants to play baseball is denied that ability because of lack of equipment. With your help, we will deliver that special feeling to kids everywhere.

## 2010 FINANCIAL DONORS

**Bradford Beadle** 

## Hall of Famers (\$10,000 or more)

Hansen Foundation
Copham Foundation
Patricia Kind Family Foundation
Little League International
State Farm

#### MVP's (\$5,000 - \$9,999)

Baseball Tomorrow Fund
Bradley Foundation
Copernicus Society of America
Evan & Marion Halfaer Foundation
New Era Caps
Oakwood Foundation
Ueberroth Family Foundation

## All-Stars (\$1,500 - \$4,999)

Jill Dlott
Brian Mentzer Memorial Fund
Friends of Zack Hample
Roy & Christine Smalley
Smalley's 87 Club
Tomato Nation
John Yengo

## Home Runs (\$500 - \$1,499)

Thomas Crowley
Steven & Denise Feldman
Grand Assembly of Montana
Immersion Media
Peggy Katz
Brad Korman
Levitt Charitable Foundation
Anna Pelaez
Arthur Pincus
Providence College
David Wahrhaftig

Wallach Foundation

Marvin Weisman

#### Rookies (\$250 - \$499)

Gabe Badner
Andrew Barroway
Peter Engelhardt
Helen Ezrick
Seth Katz
Melvin Mallinak
Bill Melton
Michelle Naps
Lance Podell
Project Bright Future
Riverdale Schools
Petra Rowland
Lester Seskin
Barry Sheppard

Mark & Laura Solomon Benjamin Turk Tolub Strawberry Mansion

Jon Slutzky

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