



2024 Year in Review

The Lauri Ann West Community Center is more than just a building. It is a community of families and individuals connecting with one another, learning new information and skills, and staying active through fitness. Our staff greets up to 600 visitors per day! We are open seven days per week, 365 hours per month, and 359 days per year. While we offer fitness memberships, daily passes are available and anyone is welcome to register for a class, attend a lecture, take advantage of our free WiFi, meet a friend for a snack from Aspinwall Everyday Gourmet, or simply enjoy the friendly atmosphere in the Center.



Vision

We unite and inspire community.



Mission

The Lauri Ann West Community Center builds connections, expands horizons and impacts lives by providing a safe place for all to learn, play and grow.



Values

CARES - Collaboration, Accepting, Respect, Ethics, Service.

"The Lauri Ann West Community Center has a profound impact on our neighbors, offering a safe gathering space for friends to meet, attend classes and lectures, and stay active together. My family and I are proud to be long-time members and supporters."

-Jane Siddons Herrmann



Arts & Enrichment

Nadia and Natasha bound off the school bus from O'Hara Elementary, bubbling with excitement as they start what they consider the best part of their day: participating in the Arts & Enrichment After School Program (A&E). They are part of a spirited group of over 70 students from all four Fox Chapel Area School District elementary schools who bring joy and laughter to the Center every weekday from 3:45 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

At the helm of A&E is Director Wade Kramm, who crafts and implements a dynamic year-long curriculum designed to spark curiosity and creativity. Students dive into projects and tackle intriguing questions, such as "How does an airplane fly?" For more than a decade, Wade, along with dedicated teachers Bobbie Cubbage and Stella Petraglia, has been the heartbeat of the program. They are joined by seven other passionate team members who work across six classrooms and the gymnasium, creating a safe and nurturing atmosphere where young minds can learn, play and grow.



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The quality and success of the Arts and Enrichment program has always been the result of the instructors and their dedication to teaching and unwavering service to the nurturing of the community's children.

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-Wade Kramm



\$66,000

in scholarships provided to families to participate in programs, summer camps, our after school program, or to utilize the fitness center.

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We can't imagine a better place for our kids to spend time after school. We're so impressed by the quality of programming, including all of the creative things our kids get to do, and being able to send them to additional sports, dance, and other programs is a HUGE perk. Lauri Ann West Community Center [staff] is the loveliest family. We consider ourselves so lucky to have this program!

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-Tanya Nikiforova and Brent Thier

Summer Camp

For ten weeks in the summer, up to 60 campers a week bring their energy and enthusiasm to the Center. Their creativity fills the air as they spend their days engaging in fun activities and making lasting friendships and memories.

Friday afternoons are especially festive when the Kona Ice truck scoops out sweet treats for the participants - a gift from long-time supporter Jane Siddons Herrmann - marking the end of another week of adventure.

Fridays are also the day of discovery. Guest instructors and creatives take the stage to illustrate and integrate the themes of the week. 2024's themes included Myths & Legends, Nature, Outer Space, Build, Design, & Construct, and All Things STEAM.



2024

**192 kids
participated in
summer camps!**

Programming

When Margaret, who is retired and recently widowed, moved to the area, she looked for an opportunity to connect with others. She was thrilled to find a class that was held weekly at the Center, which allowed her to make friends. She is among the over 844 individuals who participated in 160+ wellness, growth and discovery programs offered at the Center in 2024 to everyone ages three and above.

“ We support Lauri Ann West Community Center because we want to ensure area kids have a safe place to go. ”

-Mike and Judy Sullivan



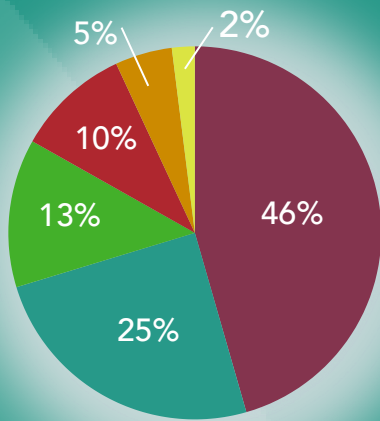
Fitness

When Angelo returned to the fitness center after a three-week hiatus, David greeted him with a big smile and a warm handshake. Their relationship is just one of hundreds formed while staying active in our fitness center, group-exercise classes, SilverSneakers® classes, pickleball, walking track, and open gym. Not a fitness member? No problem. Daily passes are available at our Welcome Desk.

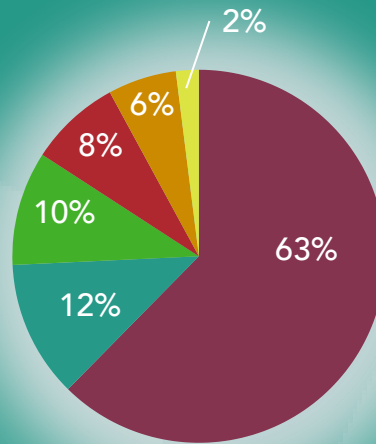
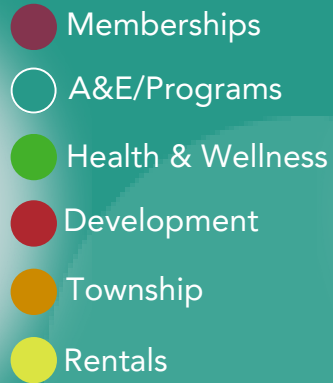
- 57 group-exercise classes offered each week
- 400 hours/month avg for personal training in 2024
- 17,780+ hours logged in 2024 on the cardio machines
- 64 court hours of pickleball offered each week
- 200+ SilverSneakers® classes offered in 2024



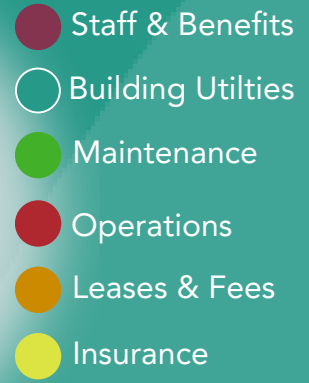
The Financials



2024 Revenue



2024 Expenses



Thank you!

The support from generous individuals, foundations, and organizations sustains and grows the quality programming offered. In addition to the children's programming and summer camps, Cruisin at the Center, Breakfast with Santa, Trunk or Treat, Thursdays on the Patio, and Unity in the Community are all funded in part by support from our donors.

“There isn't a cause more worthy of my investment than the Lauri Ann West Community Center.”
-John Culbertson

\$206,766

donated in
2024.



Educational Improvement Tax Credit Program (EITC)

What is the EITC program?

Businesses and individuals can donate to approved Educational Improvement Organizations (EIO) like the Lauri Ann West Community Center. The businesses and individuals receive PA tax credits and their taxes directly benefit their local communities.

Thank you to the businesses that redirected their taxes to the Lauri Ann West Community Center through EITC.

Contact Mark Rothert, Executive Director, to learn more about how YOU can support local families in the A&E program at the Lauri Ann West Community Center through EITC. mrothert@lauriannwestcc.org or 412-828-8566 ext 110.

\$39,900

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