

Author Christy Mihaly gets kids excited about reading and writing



Fiscal Year 2021 Annual Report

July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021

Letter from the Executive Director

Dear Friends of CLiF,

Despite COVID's ongoing challenges, in FY 2021 CLiF served more low-income, at-risk, and rural children, and gave away more new, high-quality children's books than ever before!

Our 64 professional presenters hosted **788 inspiring free literacy events** (a mix of virtual and in-person) throughout New Hampshire and Vermont with a **total attendance of 52,753**, and **we donated \$988,000 in new books** to eager young readers and writers.

Over the past year CLiF:

- Awarded sponsorships to shelters, low-income housing, after-school programs, refugee and migrant programs, and many other organizations that serve CLiF's target audience.
- Partnered with scores of schools and libraries to ensure thousands of children received critical literacy programming, resources, and new books during this difficult time.
- Distributed recorded seminars to inmates and continued sending new books with personal notes from many hundreds of incarcerated parents to their children despite strict COVID prison lockdowns.
- Held our annual CLiF Community Literacy Conference online. The event received very positive reviews.
- Showcased dozens of professional CLiF presenters in fun online presentations that were made available for free to all. Expanded our online collection of literacy materials and activities that help inspire kids to read and write.

- Conducted our beloved Summer Readers program that served more than 12,000 children.
- Started a popular CLiF Book Club for Grown-Ups that featured live, online presentations by Dan Brown, Katherine Paterson, Rajnii Eddins, and many others.
- ➤ Located a property in Waterbury Center, VT where we plan to build a new CLiF office in 2022 (more news to come!)

CLiF is widely recognized as an efficient and effective nonprofit that "does a lot with a little". Our FY 2021 expenses were \$728,751, and it cost us \$15 to \$25 for each child served (depending on the program).

CLiF was able to accomplish all this thanks to the loyal and generous support of more than 760 individuals, businesses, companies, and social organizations. Thank you all so much for enabling CLiF to continue "Opening Books, Opening Minds, Opening Doors" for many thousands of children who need our help the most!

Duncan McDougall,
CLiF Executive Director



"We feel incredibly lucky to be associated with CLiF. The resources CLiF provides are fantastic. Keep on doing what you have been doing, please."

— Librarian



IN THE PAST YEAR...



52,753 ATTENDANCE AT CLIF EVENTS



140+ TOWNS SERVE



AMAZING AUTHORS, ILLUSTRATORS, POETS, GRAPHIC **NOVELISTS, AND SONGWRITERS**

"CLiF has made a big difference in my life... I never knew how powerful and meaningful a book could be. (The children) love and look forward to getting the books in the mail as much as I look forward to the seminars."

— Incarcerated family member



SINCE 1998

SERVED ALMOST 350,000 CHILD



"CLiF has been wonderfully generous to our public library so many times that I will soon need to use Roget's Thesaurus to find more words to express appreciation."

Library Trustee





"This year's [Year of the Book] kick off outside was great! The students were actively engaged in the presentation and couldn't wait to dive into their new books."

— Teacher



+ RVED



788

EVENTS HOSTED BY CLIF



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BOOKS FOR EACH STUDENT AT YEAR OF THE BOOK SCHOOLS



\$988,000

TOTAL VALUE OF BOOKS GIVEN AWAY



"Dear (author and storyteller)
Mr. Caduto, Thank you for
reading to us and puting so much
deatall in the storey. I really liked
when you sang all thos songs! The
thing I'll remember is how kind
you wher (sic)."

— Student



DREN

GIVEN AWAY \$9 MILLION IN BOOKS



"When is CLiF coming back? I need more books!"

— Student



Statement of Financial Position

JUNE 30, 2021		
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash	\$117,531.68	
Money Market	187,864.37	
Investment Accounts	465,746.94	
Building Campaign Funds	464,710.31	
Inventory Asset – Books	79,407.43	
Total Current Assets	\$	1,315,260.73
Fixed Assets		
Computer / Office Equipment	\$16,842.99	
Website	15,000.00	
Accumulated Depreciation	(21,865.13)	
Work in Progress - New CLiF Building	19,992.00	
Total Fixed Assets		\$29,969.86
Other Assets		
Pledges for New Office	\$94,475.00	
Investments	607,049.76	
Investment Annuity	73,184.07	
Total Other Assets		\$774,708.83
Total Assets	\$2	2,119,939.42
LIABILITIES & EQUITY		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable (A/P)	\$870.69	
Credit Cards	29,401.33	
Building Campaign Pledges	199,000.00	
Total Liabilities		\$229,272.02
Equity		
Total Net Assets with Donor Restrict.		\$208,184.07
9	\$890,207.29	
Other Net Assets w/o Donor Restrict. (135,000.00)		
Total Net Assets without Donor Restr	ict.	\$755,207.29
Unrestricted Net Assets		(13,209.82)
Net Income		940,485.86
Total Equity		1,890,667.40
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$:	2,119,939.42

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CLiF Operating Expenditures





FY 2021 Individuals 84% Foundations 13% Businesses 2% Organizations 1%