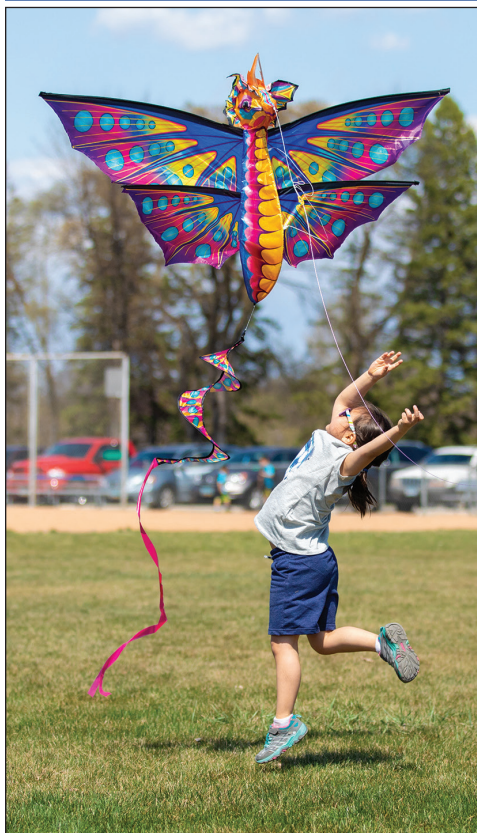


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NORTH DAKOTA RECREATION AND PARK ASSOCIATION



Advancing parks, recreation and conservation for an enhanced quality of life in North Dakota

YEAR IN REVIEW

NDRPA was actively engaged in the 2019 **State Legislative Session**. The association worked successfully to pass a number of bills, including increasing the park district bid threshold, allowing approval of park district general obligation bonds with a protest period, and ensuring park districts have the ability to protest special assessments approved by other political subdivisions. NDRPA filled Memorial Hall with exhibits showcasing the value and benefits of parks and recreation in March during **Parks Day at the Capitol**, held in partnership with the North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department (NDRPD).

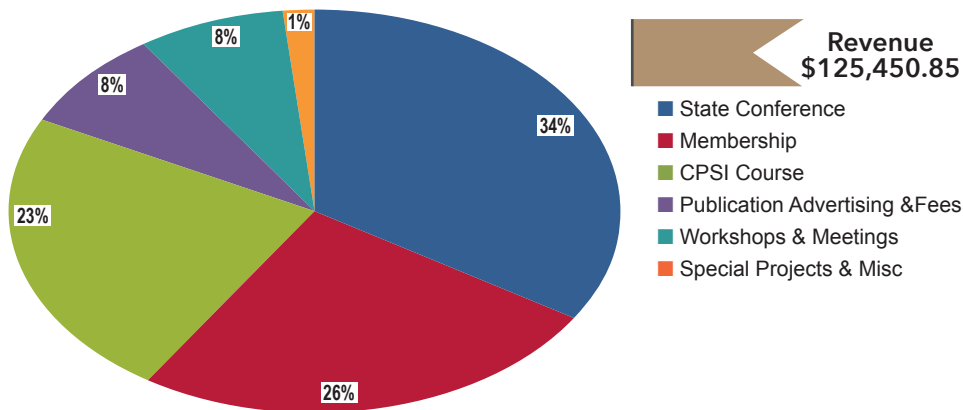
The **Certified Playground Safety Inspector Course** was held in Bismarck in March for the 17th year. The North Dakota Insurance Reserve Fund (NDIRF) and NDRPD sponsored the training.

NDRPA co-hosted the eighth annual **North Dakota Trails Conference** with NDRPD and assistance from Minot Park District in August in Minot.

The annual State Conference with the theme "Expect the Unexpected" was hosted by Valley City Parks and Recreation in September.

James Kramer and Terry Wallace were inducted into the **NDRPA Hall of Fame**, the association's highest honor. The following **awards** were also presented: Distinguished Professional Award - Kevin Klipfel, Bismarck Parks and Recreation District; Outstanding Young Professional - Elly DesLauriers, Minot Park District; Golden Egg - Two Rivers Activity Center, Jamestown Parks and Recreation; Innovative Programming - Senior Programming, West Fargo Park District; Partnership Award - Jamestown Public Schools; and Dr. Sandra Modisett Memorial Scholarship - Benson Kramer (NDSU).

FINANCIALS



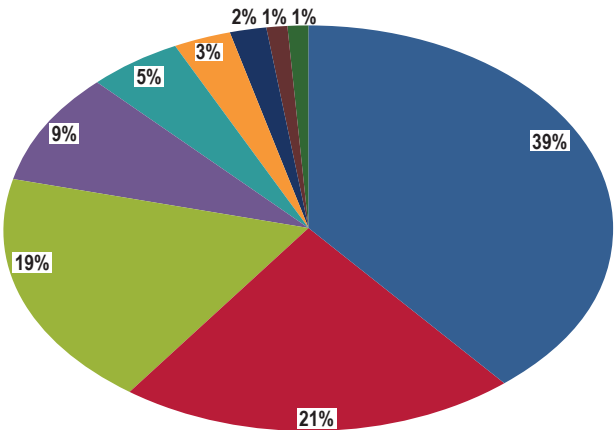
NDRPA continued its publications, the monthly electronic *NDRPA eUpdate* and the quarterly magazine *FOCUS*.

NDRPA restructured its committees to better align with its mission and goals.



MEMBERSHIP

MEMBERSHIP TYPE	2019
Agencies	77
Professionals	404
Board Members	383
Allied Organizations	6
Allied Individuals	1
Universities/Colleges	2
Students	5
Lifetime	9
Commercial	13
TOTAL	904



Expenses
\$115,035.51

- Executive Director Services
- CPSI Course
- State Conference
- Workshops & Meetings
- Publications
- Office & General
- Travel & Meetings
- Awards & Scholarships
- Special Projects

Board of Directors

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