

2020 ANNUAL REPORT

North Dakota Recreation And Park Association



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

...Year In Review.....

The North Dakota Recreation and Parks Association (NDRPA) was actively engaged in the 2020 **State Legislative Interim**, tracking studies relevant to the membership, such as tax reform, Legacy funding, government finance and constitutional amendments. NDRPA also met with Sen. John Hoeven's office to discuss proposed federal bills allocating COVID-19 relief funds directly to special districts.

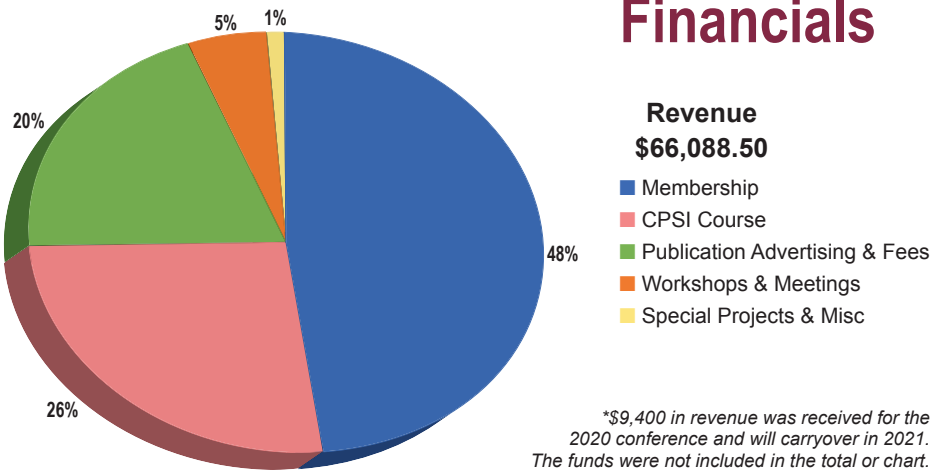
The **Certified Playground Safety Inspector Course** was presented for the 18th year and for the first time as a virtual blended course in December. The North Dakota Insurance Reserve Fund (NDIRF) and North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department (NDPRD) sponsored the training.

The annual NDRPA State Conference and North Dakota Trails Conference were planned to be held jointly for the first time, but were cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions.

The following NDRPA **awards** were presented: Distinguished Professional Award – RaNae Jochim, Bismarck Parks and Recreation District; Outstanding Young Professional – Ashley Martinson, Valley City Park District; Golden Egg – Veteran's Memorial Ballpark, Mandan Park District; Rustad Recreation Center, West Fargo Park District; Innovative Programming – Safety City, Dickinson Parks and Recreation; Partnership Award – New Rockford Eagles Club and New Rockford Lions Club; and Citizen Advocacy Award – Dana Schaar Jahner.

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

Financials



Membership

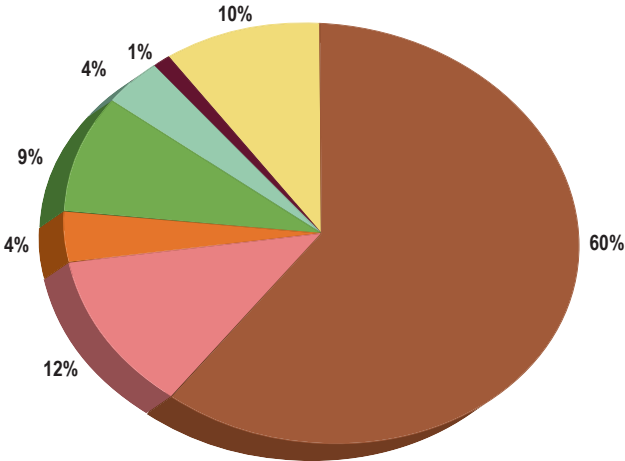
MEMBERSHIP TYPE	2020
Agencies.....	76
Professionals.....	463
Board Members.....	439
Allied Organizations.....	6
Allied Individuals.....	1
Universities/Colleges.....	2
Lifetime.....	11
Commercial.....	11
TOTAL	1,009



Financials

Expenses
\$77,825.35

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



Leadership 2019-2020

Board of Directors

Kevin Klipfel, President
Amy Pederson, Past President
Sam Larson-Frobig, President Elect
Mike Orr, Secretary/Treasurer
Cole Higlin, Public Policy Chair
Katie Ettish, Engagement Committee
Matt Mack, Education Chair

Councils, Committees and Liaisons

Hall of Fame Council – Randy Bina, Chair
Conference Committee – Ethan Eberle and Ryan Geerdes, Chair
Midwest Rep – Darin Krueger
North Dakota Community Forestry Council – Dave Leker
North Dakota Missouri River Advisory Council – Randy Bina
North Dakota Outdoor Heritage Fund Advisory Board – Randy Bina



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