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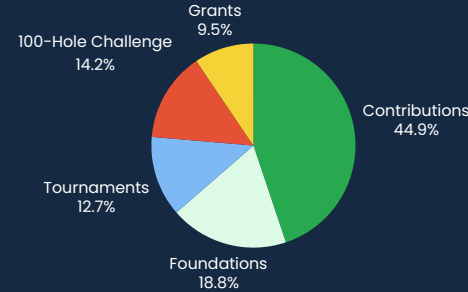
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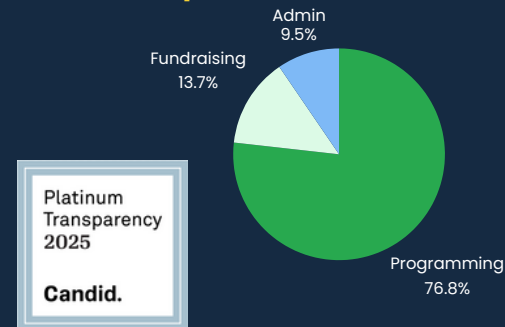
Devin Shaw  
*Program Coordinator*

## Financial Report

**Revenue: \$1,269,085**



**Expenses: \$1,186,146**



\*unaudited financials/cash method



### Michael B. Finnegan Learning Center

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For Program Locations and for secure online donations please visit:

[www.firstteepalmbeaches.org](http://www.firstteepalmbeaches.org)

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## 2024 ANNUAL REPORT



### Life Skills Experience

First Tee offers an age-based life skill and golf instruction curriculum.

Allamanda Elementary	11
Beth El Early Learning Center	32
Boca Raton Golf & Racquet Club	197
Boys & Girls Clubs	285
Carver Middle School	31
Clewiston Golf Course	52
Dyer Park Programs	139
EDNA Runner Tutorial Center	50
Franklin Academy	18
Golf Club of Jupiter	270
Haitian Bible Baptist Church of NPB	15
John Prince Learning Center	72
Keiser University Coaching Center	55
Milagro Center - Junior	25
Milagro Center - Teen	18
Palm Beach Par 3	8
PBSO PAL	44
Red Reef Executive Course	2
Royal Palm Beach Commons Golf	244
Sigma Beta Leadership Club	8
St. Marks Episcopal	13
Suncoast High School	89
Village Golf Club	19
YMCA	200
Youth Empowerment - Riviera Beach	5
Youth Empowerment - West Palm Beach	34

**2,024 Students** participated in our First Tee Golf and Life Skills Programs



### Barbara A. Douglas & Dr. William J. Powell Diversity Award

We were honored to receive the Barbara A. Douglas & Dr. William J. Powell Diversity Award at the First Tee Network Summit in Phoenix. With 61% of our participants ethnically diverse and 40% female, we will serve over 2,700 youth in 2025 through partnerships with other national and local youth serving organizations. We thank Golf Digest and First Tee HQ for recognizing our commitment to serving our community.

## Chapter Scorecard

**2,024** First Tee Students

**684** Special Needs Students

**395** Veteran Participants

**26%** Teen Students

**40%** Female Students

**61%** Ethnically Diverse

### 2024 Coach of the Year

Zach Newell



Zach Newell and his brothers run Newell Golf at Boca Raton Golf and Racquet Club. Since joining First Tee in March 2023, Zach has built one of Palm Beach County's largest programs, now serving over 200 students. He conducts junior tournaments, veterans' programs, and with Mark Susskind, launched a Special Needs program for people affected by Parkinson's disease.

### 2024 Students of the Year

Annika Collado  
Mark Wells  
Devin Shaw  
Veteran of the Year



# Community Outreach

We partner with youth organizations that support underserved communities to introduce golf, using fun games and activities that are appropriate to the ages and abilities of the kids and teens involved.

### PROGRAM PARTNERS

- Boys and Girls Clubs
- Edna Runner
- LPGA - USGA Girls Golf
- Milagro Center
- Police Athletic Leagues
- Sigma Beta Leadership Club
- Suncoast High School
- YMCA
- Youth Empowerment WPB



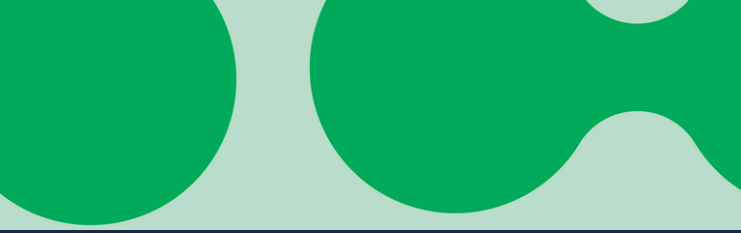
# FORE Freedom

Our chapter has worked with local veterans for over 20 years. Many of our veterans suffer from PTSD and enjoy outdoor recreation and socializing with their peers. Our veterans compete in local Veterans' Golf Association Tournaments.

- Belle Glade Municipal Golf Course
- Birdies and Hooks
- Boca Raton Golf & Racquet Club
- Drive Shack
- Dyer Park
- John Price Park Learning Center
- PGA HOPE
- VA Vision Unit and Hospital
- Westchester Country Club



### FORE Freedom Sponsors:



# Student Events

First Tee Headquarters and our Chapter offer a variety of unique opportunities to our students that further their golf and life skills education. These opportunities are life-changing experiences for our teen participants. Students from our Chapter have participated in:

- PURE Insurance Championship at Pebble Beach
- First Tee National Championship
- Evans Caddie Scholarship
- Sage Valley Junior Invitational
- First Tee Game Changers Academy
- PGA Tour Superstore Leadership Academy - Atlanta
- PGA Tour Superstore Leadership Summit - Montana
- James Hardie Pro Football Hall of Fame Pro-Ams
- Monday Pro-Am and Monday After Tournament at The Cognizant Classic
- Women's Leadership Forum at The Cognizant Classic
- 100 Friends at the Bear's Club



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## Legacy Partners

Gifts of \$100,000 or more



## Game Changer Sponsors

Gifts of \$10,000 or more



# School Programs



Our Staff and Coaches support 41 elementary school P.E. teachers to introduce the game of golf and our core values to over 20,000 students during physical education classes. Students are introduced to the sport of golf while learning basic golf motor skills and the inherent values of the game.

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|------------------------|----------------------------------|
| • Allamanda Elementary | • Grove Park Elementary          |
| • Baldwin Prep Academy | • Renaissance Charter            |
| • Franklin Academy     | • St. Marks Episcopal Elementary |
| • Frontier Academy     |                                  |

# Special Needs



The game of golf for many students with special needs is an activity that helps develop their social skills, such as: taking turns, following directions, working together, and accepting change in their normal routine. Our programs help develop communication skills (application of learned vocabulary, listening to and following multiple step directions, and more).

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| • ARC of Palm Beach County | • Gold Coast Down Syndrome                       |
| • Boca School for Autism   | • SAIL   |
| • C.H.A.M.P                | • Special Olympics - Dyer Park                   |
| • Connection Education     | • Special Olympics - John Prince Learning Center |
| • Els Center of Excellence |  |

# Participant Spotlight

## VALENTINA MARIE GUERTIN

Valentina Marie Guertin has been a dedicated First Tee participant since 2019, training with Coach Chip Inks, PGA. She finished third at the Pure Insurance Championship at Pebble Beach with PGA Tour pro KJ Choi—our Chapter's best finish! She was named the 2023 SFPGA Player of the Year (13-18 division). Valentina also led FAU High School girls' golf team to a State title with her sister Angelina. She also placed 13th at the First Tee National Championship. Committed to the University of Oklahoma for college golf, Valentina's talent and perseverance continue to inspire.



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