

# Charity Storage 2023 Annual Report

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#### A Letter From Our Chairman

Dear Charity Storage Partners,

I am pleased to present the Charity Storage 2023 Annual Report, showcasing significant achievements made in partnership with the self storage industry. We onboarded 240+ facilities, introduced new community giving initiatives, implemented strategic marketing initiatives for participation growth and donated \$91K+ to charities nationwide.

Together, the Charity Storage team, sponsors and self storage facilities across the U.S. have advanced fundraising efforts, raising \$50,587 for <u>Kure It Cancer Research</u>, \$9,611 for the <u>Self Storage Association (SSA) Foundation Scholarship Program</u> and \$31,204 for many other great charitable causes across the nation.

#### 2023 Highlights

- Self Storage Plus Enrolled 60+ Facilities
- Storage King USA Enrolled 150+ Facilities
- New Marketing Kits Launched
- Non-Lien Auction Program for Charity
- Paws & Relax Event at SSA
- Hoops For A Cause at ISS Expo
- · Charity Storage Bowling Tournament at CSSA Napa

#### **2023 Financial Overview**

Charity Storage donated \$91.4K to 24 deserving charities across the United States. This accomplishment would not have been possible without the generous contributions of our donors, sponsors and the 1,660+ self storage facilities that make up the Charity Storage program.

We sincerely appreciate your ongoing support as we strive to expand and grow this remarkable program. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Charity Storage at <a href="mailto:info@charitystorage.org">info@charitystorage.org</a>.

Sincerely,

Robert A. Chiti

**Board Chairman** 



#### **What Is Charity Storage**

Charity Storage, the official charity partner of the SSA and SSA-Managed State Associations, was founded in 2011 and is an independent 501(c)3 national self storage industry non-profit that partners with local storage facilities to leverage their existing operations and raise funds through auctions to support charities across the U.S.

#### **Our Story**

Charity Storage was conceived by Lance Watkins, who had first-hand experience with the storage industry and with the reality television show "Storage Wars." The late Barry Hoeven Co-Founded Charity Storage, bringing years of self storage and philanthropy expertise. Hoeven's dedication, fueled by his battle with Kidney cancer, served as inspiration, rallying industry operators to support the cause.

Together, they created a simple and effective model that would give storage operators the opportunity to amplify their charitable contributions:

Donated and abandoned items are placed into a vacant storage unit and the contents are auctioned off onsite or online, via <a href="StorageTreasures.com">StorageTreasures.com</a> (all seller fees waived) or other online auction platforms. The proceeds are then donated to charities throughout the U.S.

#### **How Does Charity Storage Work?**

- 1) Storage operators select a charity they would like to support and designate a vacant unit as a donation drop-off point.
- 2) Donated and abandoned items are placed into the vacant unit and the contents are staged and sold at auction.
- 3) Charity Storage distributes the proceeds as follows:
  - · 60% to the operator's designated charity
  - 20% to Kure It Cancer Research
  - 10% to the SSA Foundation Scholarship Program
  - 10% is used to fund Charity Storage operations

#### Why Participate In Charity Storage?

"Over the past decade, Charity Storage has offered a logical path to giving for the leading companies in our industry. We encourage our members to integrate this charitable platform into their operations, it's a tremendous additive to your business and your community." – **Tim Dietz, SSA President & CEO** 



#### **Sample of Participating Operators**

























#### **Sponsors**

#### **ANGEL**











#### **BENEFACTOR**













#### **GUARDIAN**









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# SSA Magazine SiteLink SpareFoot Storage King Storesmart Bader Best Self Storage Insurance

#### **SUPPORTER**

AZSA, CSSA, TSSA Self Storage Strategies Hawai'i UnConference

#### **FRIEND**

Barth Storage
Chateau Products
Cover Roofing Solutions
Haviland Storage Services
Lamber Goodnow



Extra Self Storage Deans & Homer SBOA StorTrack Tenant Property Protection Xercor Yardi Breeze







#### 2023 Highlights

**Self Storage Plus Enrolls 60+ Facilities:** <u>Self Storage Plus</u> enrolled 60+ self storage facility locations in the Charity Storage program to amplify their impact and support multiple charitable causes at once. Self Storage Plus has elected the <u>Children's National Hospital Foundation</u> as their charity of choice.

**Storage King USA Enrolls 150+ Facilities:** <u>Storage King USA</u> has enrolled and onboarded 150+ self storage facilities in the Charity Storage program, reinforcing their nationwide philanthropic commitment and offering facility staff the opportunity to deepen their connections with their local community. Storage King USA has elected the <u>Leukemia & Lymphoma Society</u> as their charity of choice.

**New Marketing Kits Launched:** Charity Storage officially launched its redesigned marketing kit. Each kit, generously sponsored by <u>StorageTreasures</u>, includes a new gate sign, counter sign and window cling. 200+ Charity Storage participants received these kits free of charge.

**Non-Lien Auction Program for Charity:** Operators can now amplify their charitable efforts by converting non-lien auctions to charity units OR donating a portion of profits earned from their non-lien auction sales. This is a new initiative that gives operators even more opportunities to give back.

**Paws & Relax Event at SSA:** Charity Storage and Michael's Angel Paws connected with self storage operators, raising awareness for their respective causes, thanks to SSA and other generous sponsors. Michael's Angel Paws received \$4K in unrestricted funds to support dog training and therapy during the Paws & Relax event at the SSA 2023 Fall Conference & Trade Show.

**Hoops For A Cause:** Charity Storage and the <u>Inside Self-Storage World Expo</u> teamed up for the Hoops for Cause pop-a-shot fundraiser, raising funds and program awareness. Thanks to the self storage operators at this event, Charity Storage raised \$5K for <u>Shriners Hospitals for Children!</u>

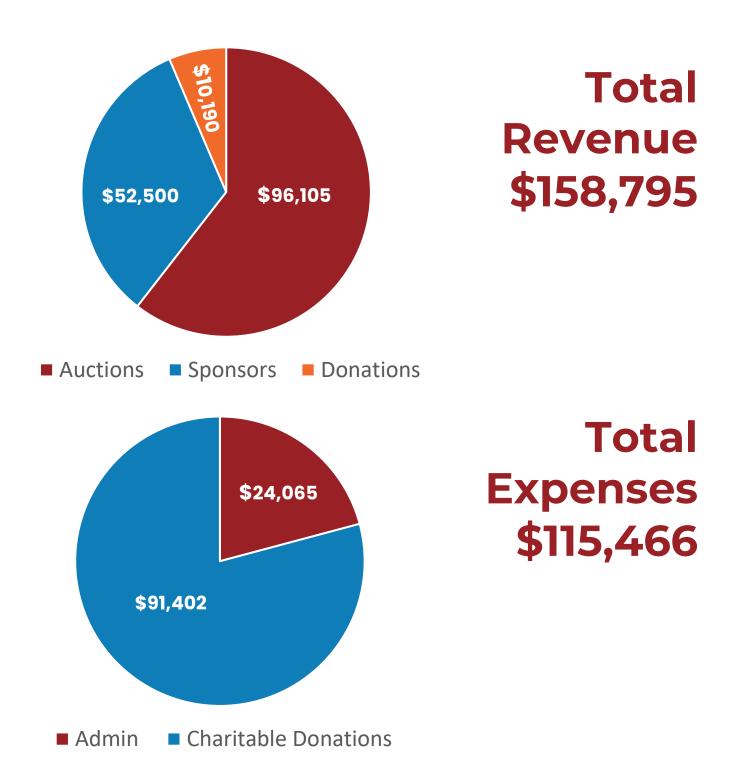
**Spare A Little Bowling Tournament at CSSA Napa:** Charity Storage and the <u>California Self Storage Association (CSSA)</u> partnered up to host the 'Spare A Little' for Charity Storage Bowling Tournament for a second year. Sponsored by CSSA, the event raised funds to expand storage operators' support for charities in their local communities.







#### 2023 Revenue and Expenses



<sup>\*</sup>Charity Storage operates on accrual-based accounting and issues charity donations twice per year



# 2023 Statement of Activity

	Jan - Dec 2023	
Revenue		
Charity Storage Auctions	\$	96,105.06
Contributions & Sponsors		
Donation- Hoops for a Cause	\$	7,781.00
Donations- CSSA	\$	2,100.00
Donations-Miscellaneous	\$	308.95
Sponsor Contributions	\$	52,500.00
Total Contributions & Sponsors	\$	62,689.95
Total Revenue	\$	158,795.01
Gross Profit	\$	158,795.01

Expenditures	
Bank Charges & Fees	\$ 12.00
Credit Card Fees	\$ 734.26
Insurance	\$ 1,541.99
Legal & Professional Services	\$ 7,107.75
Marketing	\$ 3,407.28
Marketing Kits & Postage	\$ 8,766.71
Meals & Entertainment	\$ 500.00
Travel	\$ 597.75
Office Supplies & Software	\$ 112.27
Postage	\$ 113.46
Taxes & Licenses	\$ 150.00
Trade Show- Meals & Entertainment	\$ 181.52
Trade Show-Travel	\$ 839.82
Program Services	
Kure It	\$ 50,586.64
SSAF	\$ 9,610.51
Other Charities	\$ 31,203.80

	Ja	Jan - Dec 2023	
Total Expenditures	\$	115,465.76	
Net Operating Revenue	\$	43,329.25	



#### **2023 Program Services**

\*Program services include donations to various charitable organizations across the country that self storage operators have designated to receive 60% of charity auction proceeds through the Charity Storage program.

- American Heart Association
- Arlington Charities, Inc.
- Charity Storage
- Children's National Hospital
- College is Real
- Family Renewal Shelter
- Grandma's Hours A Vision of Hope
- Heritage Church of God Faith House
- Humane Society of Elmore County
- Kure It Cancer Research
- Leukemia & Lymphoma Society
- Make A Wish Orange County and the Inland Empire

- Michael J. Fox Foundation
- Paradise Community Guilds
- Safe Harbor My Friend's Place
- Self Storage Association Foundation Scholarship Program
- Selma Cares
- Serving Hands International
- United Through Reading
- Warriors & Quiet Waters
- Womenspace
- Wounded Warriors Project National
- YWCA Clark County
- Cup of Cool Water















### **2023 Statement of Financial Position**

	Total	
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Bank Accounts		
Checking-Wells Fargo	\$	141,129.65
Cash in Transit	\$	17,155.00
Checking-NBAZ	\$	18,249.01
Total Bank Accounts	\$	176,533.66
Accounts Receivable		
Accounts Receivable	\$	12,000.00
Total Accounts Receivable	\$	12,000.00
Other Current Assets		
Prepaids	\$	7,492.66
Total Other Current Assets	\$	7,492.66
Total Current Assets	\$	196,026.32
Fixed Assets		
Furn/Fix/Equip	\$	-
Total Fixed Assets	\$	-
Other Assets		
Accumulated Amortization Website	\$	(26,970.00)
Website Capitalized	\$	26,970.00
Total Other Assets	\$	-
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	196,026.32



## 2023 Statement of Financial Position Cont.

	Total	
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable		
Accounts Payable	\$	-
Total Accounts Payable	\$	-
Credit Cards		
Divvy Credit Card	\$	3,090.00
Total Credit Cards	\$	3,090.00
Other Current Liabilities		
Accrued Expenses	\$	-
Due to OpenTech	\$	1,560.83
Due to Charities	\$	44,656.37
Accrued SSA Payable	\$	-
Total Other Current Liabilities	\$	46,217.20
Total Current Liabilities	\$	49,307.20
Long-Term Liabilities		
Due to StorageTreasures	\$	-
Due to US Storage Centers	\$	-
Due to Westport Properties	\$	-
Total Long-Term Liabilities	\$	-
Total Liabilities	\$	49,307.20
Equity		
Retained Earnings	\$	103,389.87
Net Revenue	\$	43,329.25
Total Equity	\$	146,719.12
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$	196,026.32







#### **Board of Directors**

Robert A. Chiti - Chairman

Chief Executive Officer

OpenTech Alliance

Sue Haviland - Vice Chair

Owner

**Haviland Storage Services** 

**Anne Mari DeCoster - Secretary** 

Founder

AMDeCoster LLC.

**Deb Sculli - Board Member** 

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Self Employed

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President and Founder

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**Brandon Snyder – Board Member** 

Sr. Director, Risk Programs

Storable

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President & COO

Xercor Insurance Services LLC.

Jon Fawcett - Board Member

President

**Accent Building Restoration** 

Lance Watkins – Founder/Board Member

Chief Executive Officer

Tenant Inc.

**Administration** 

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Kristi Adams – VP of Marketing

**VP of Marketing** 

OpenTech Alliance

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Controller

StorageTreasures

**Sean Funk – Marketing Generalist** 

Marketing Generalist

OpenTech Alliance

Kimberly Robinson – Director of Marketing Communications

**Director of Marketing Communications** 

OpenTech Alliance

