

**Wow! What a year it's been!** Around this time last year we had just developed our vision and mission for the foundation, and begun putting together a plan on how to make it all happen. Twelve months later, we have hosted two education events, established a music scholarship, and are looking forward to an even better 2019!

**Our proudest achievement last year was our education event initiative.** When Sarah asked us to “build a place where kids can learn in their own unique way”, it seemed a daunting request - especially for the four board members spread across multiple time zones and with day jobs. We have taken her idea and decided that even though we do not have a “permanent place”, we can create momentary places where Sarah’s vision can come to life. Twice in 2018 we did just that: we created ["A Musical Scavenger Hunt"](#) in Golden Gate Park in March and invited kids to ["Discover Their Wild Thing"](#) in Mission Bay Park in July.

**Our second initiative in 2018 was a [partnership with Oklahoma Youth Orchestras](#) (OYO) to award music scholarships to children in need.** We chose OYO based on its location in Sarah's hometown and its connection to Sarah's love of children. On an annual basis, our foundation will provide funds to OYO for scholarships for young musicians to relieve the financial burden of pursuing arts and music. We were able to give a total of \$1000 last year and hope to grow this amount in the future.

**In 2019, we're aiming to build on our success.** Our partnership with OYO is continuing, and we are planning on three events next year:

- **Spring in [Oklahoma City](#).** We're coming to Oklahoma for the first time and bringing the musical scavenger hunt with us.
- **Summer in [San Francisco](#).** We're in the early planning stages for a fun Sarah-style summer run/race for kids and adults alike.
- **Fall in [San Francisco](#).** We will close our 2019 schedule with a new education game about exploring outer space.

Our goal is to fund our activities for the entire year through a single fundraising campaign. **We are kicking it off this [Giving Tuesday](#) when Facebook will begin matching donations at 7AM CST/5AM PST.** We expect the matching to end within the first 15 minutes, so [mark your calendar](#), follow us on Facebook for the link to the fundraiser, and join us in our mission to inspire children to be curious through kind, creative, and joyful education programs.

**Thank you for making this all possible.** It is only through the support and generosity of friends of the foundation like yourself that we are able to continue the work we do. For those who gave in our first year, whether financially or through volunteering your time, we are eternally grateful. We couldn't have gotten off the ground without your contributions and we are thankful for your continued support in 2019.

With a joyous #HiFive4Sarah,

The Board of Directors  
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