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When the winds shift, we change course and adjust.

When something breaks unexpectedly, we get creative and do what is necessary to get home.

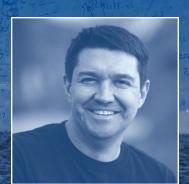
Problem solving and tenacity are part of who we are, and they guide us through the times of uncertainty. It isn't how we bask in the sun, but how we weather the storm that defines us.

COVID-19 has presented all of us the opportunity to demonstrate this sailor mindset.

Instead of crafting a standard Impact Report with facts and figures of our work, we decided to share with you the details of our journey over the past few years. By every measure, 2019 was the most impactful year in our 28-year history. 2020 and 2021's successes were highlighted by our ability to work through restrictions, innovate new programs, and respond creatively to the needs of our friends and neighbors.

We helped keep kids, adults, and families connected to Lake Champlain at a time when freedom, fun, exploration, and comradery were more essential than ever.

Now we set our sights on the future. As you'll see in this report, we aspire to get back on course to the volume of visitors we served in 2019. Your Community Sailing Center is also working harder than ever to ensure that nobody in the community is left ashore by eliminating all boundaries to access the lake. We are coming out of the storm well prepared and ready for whatever challenges lie ahead. Will you join us?



All aboard!

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Owen Milne

Executive Director



As the only non-profit Sailing Center on Lake Champlain, we use sailing as the means to provide Lake Access. Life Lessons. For All.

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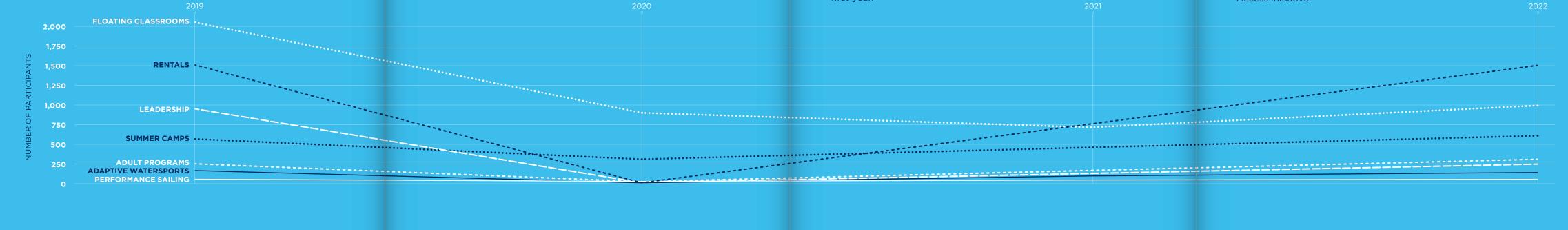


2019 was a year of action, momentum, and celebration. It was a banner year for CSC, with more kids in camps, and more people on the water than any other time in CSC history. Guests included celebrity sailor Laura Dekker, the youngest person to circumnavigate the globe, at an event we hosted with over 300 people in attendance. We set a precedent in 2019 for the magnitude of impact CSC could have on our community.

2020 was a year of adaptability, innovation, and COMMUNITY. During the pandemic CSC rose to meet the needs of families across the county, pivoting to become a certified childcare program while other facilities closed. We not only ran summer camps at 90% capacity without a single outbreak, we also navigated COVID guidelines to gather our community on the shores of Lake Champlain for the first annual Flotilla Concert, a new signature event raising over \$45,000.

2021 was a year of dedication, resilience, and progress. Our youth camps operated at 100% capacity, our signature Floating Classrooms program returned in collaboration with local schools, and we welcomed more participants in adult programs than ever before. 2021 also marked the start of our award-winning Sailing Diversity Access Initiative, a program that provides 100% fully paid and supported summer camp experiences for BIPOC campers ages 11-15. This initiative met a clear need from our community and reached 98% capacity in its first year.

2022 is a year of reinvention, expansion, and growth, and we project higher participation across the board. This was a record-breaking year for youth camp registration. To meet overwhelming demand we added spots to increase capacity by nearly 10%. This year we are also diversifying and expanding our adult programming, and the CSC board has made a long-term commitment to examine all current programming through the lens of racial and economic equity. These efforts are not going unnoticed. This year CSC earned the US Sailing Jim Kilroy Outstanding Outreach and Inclusion Award for our Diversity Access Initiative.





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