

EVERY DOLL  
MAKES A  
DIFFERENCE



**2022**  
**COMMUNITY IMPACT REPORT**

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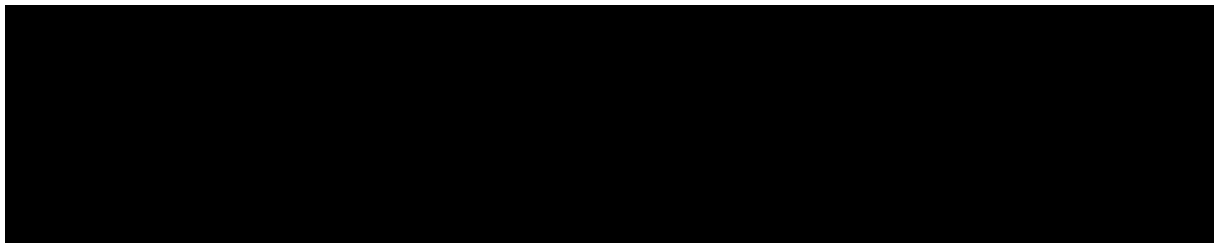
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**SIGNATURE EVENTS  
AND FUNDRAISERS**





## **BOOTS AND SUITS CELEBRATION**

Dynamo Charities hosted their first ever Boots and Suits Celebration presented by Lexus. The end of year event showcased the high points of the year both on and off the field. Boots and Suits gave attendees their first look into the newly announced Dynamo Charities pillars and the organization completed throughout the year. Dynamo and Dash players also participated in the event by announcing fun team awards including Best Hype-Man and Hype-Woman as well as Best Locker Room DJ. The event raised over \$100,000 to support Dynamo Charities.







## DYNAMO CHARITIES CUP

The Dynamo Charities Cup presented by PNC Bank is an international friendly game that helps draw awareness to a cause close to home for both Houston Dynamo FC and PNC Bank. This year's match benefited Kids' Meals Houston which works to end childhood hunger in Houston by delivering free healthy meals, year-round to the doorsteps of Houston's hungriest preschool-aged children. This year's match saw Houston Dynamo FC face off against Liga MX's Atletico San Luis at PNC Stadium on Saturday, June 11th. Proceeds from the Charities Cup auction, 50/50 Raffle and individual donations made by fans during the game benefited Kid's Meals Houston. Houston Dynamo FC staff and players along with Atletico de San Luis players also volunteered at Kid's Meals Houston during the week leading up to the match. Volunteers helped prepare and pack over 475 sandwiches for hungry children in Houston.

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## DYNAMO CHARITIES WEEKEND

During the weekend of August 12th through August 14th, both the Dynamo and Dash games were themed Dynamo Charities Weekend. This opportunity allowed Dynamo Charities to educate more fans about the organization and what they stand for. Dynamo Charities was able to recognize organizations they have partnered with throughout the season, as well as recognizing two outstanding volunteers, each of whom had made a terrific effort in giving back to the Houston community. Post-match Dynamo Charities hosted their first ever, Bucket Bonanza. Bucket Bonanza is a one-of-a-kind fundraising event where fans had the opportunity to toss mini balls into buckets on the field for a chance to win prizes such as a team signed ball, retro Dynamo or Dash Jerseys, signed player cards, and more. All proceeds from the weekend benefited the organizations and programs that are supported by Dynamo Charities.







## **DYNAMO CHARITIES CLASSIC PRESENTED BY 76**

The second annual Dynamo Charities Classic, presented by 76, was hosted in August at Top Golf Katy. Over 150 fans and sponsors joined Dynamo and Dash players for an afternoon of Top Golf tournaments and fun. Participants competed for a variety of prizes including a suite to an upcoming game and autographs jerseys. The event raised over \$40,000 to help support the programs run by Dynamo Charities.



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## DASH DOG CALENDAR

The Houston Dash and Katz Coffee teamed up for a one-of-a-kind fundraiser for Dynamo Charities by creating the Dash Dog Calendar. The first ever Dash Dog Calendar went on sale during the months of March and April and featured pictures of Dash players along with their dogs. Fans from across the country were able to purchase the calendars online as well as at Houston Dash home games.



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## 50/50 RAFFLE

2022 was a record-setting year for the Dynamo Charities 50/50 Raffle! Houston Dynamo and Dash fans helped raise more than \$125,000 to Dynamo Charities to give back to the Houston community. The Dynamo Charities 50/50 Raffle was hosted at every Houston Dynamo FC home game and select Houston Dash home games throughout the 2022 season. Each game saw one winner receive 50% of the total jackpot, with the remaining 50% being directed to Dynamo Charities to support local programming. The largest jackpot of the 2022 season came on July 23rd, when the Houston Dynamo took on Minnesota United, with a final jackpot of \$6,664.50.





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## CULTURE MAP TAILGATE

Dynamo Charities was one of the three Houston sports-related nonprofits invited to Culture Map's tailgate on October 27. This event allowed sports team non-profits to share their mission and values with sports fans throughout the city, while also helping to raise funds for each group. During the event Dynamo Charities was able to showcase the events and programs that were hosted over the past year, on and off the field, as well as promoting the volunteer program and future volunteer events.

## DYNAMO CHARITIES AUCTIONS

In 2022, Dynamo and Dash fans raised more than \$15,000 by auctioning unique game-worn gear and memorabilia in support of several initiatives such as Hispanic Heritage Month, Soccer for All and Dynamo Charities Weekend. Money from the auctions help to provide monetary donations to local organizations.

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## DASH BOARD BANGER WITH VINNY'S PIZZA

The Houston Dash and Dynamo Charities teamed up with Vinny's Pizza, a locally owned business near PNC Stadium, for a fundraiser in May. Dash players Michaela Abam, Allysha Chapman, Lindsey Harris and Nichelle Prince worked with the owner of Vinny's Pizza, Vincent Huynh, to create a unique Houston Dash themed pizza. The "Dash Board Banger" Pizza was available on Vinny's menu throughout the month of May, with a portion of the proceeds from each Dash Board Banger purchased going back to Dynamo Charities. The Dash and Vinny's also hosted a Dash Pizza Party on Sunday, May 15 where fans were invited to join players to grab some delicious pizza and share a drink with the Dash.







# FOOD INSECURITY

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## CORNER KICKS FOR A CAUSE

For the 4th year in a row, Houston Dynamo FC and Kroger teamed up for Corner Kicks for a Cause. For each corner kick the Dynamo took during the 2022 season, Kroger made a \$50 Donation to Kid's Meals Houston. This year Kroger made a donation of \$15,000 to Kid's Meals.

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## KROGER - KID'S MEALS PACKING EVENT

On Sunday, February 20th, Houston Dynamo FC, the Houston Dash and Kroger came together for the third annual packing event for Kid's Meals. Players from the Houston Dash, Kroger, fans as well as Diesel were in attendance at PNC Stadium for the event. Volunteers were able to pack more than 15,000 meals for kids in need in the Houston community. Kid's Meals delivers free healthy meals to the doorsteps of Houston's hungriest preschool-aged children and through collaboration help end the cycle of poverty.





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## DAWN FREE KICKS PROGRAM

As a part of the Dawn Free Kicks Program, for each free kick taken during a Houston Dynamo FC Game, Dawn donated 50 meals. At the conclusion of the season, Dawn presented Kids Meals Houston with a check for \$15,000 equivalent to over 7,000 free meals for kids.



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## GOODR FOOD DRIVE

Dynamo Charities partnered with GoodR to host a drive through food distribution at the Baker Ripley House in the East End on November 9th to help over 300 hungry families in need. Volunteers and players helped pack grocery bags prior to the event and then distributed the bags to families during the event. Goodr is a sustainable food surplus management platform that leverages blockchain technology to reduce food waste and combat hunger.





**CANCER SUPPORT  
AND AWARENESS**



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## KICK CHILDHOOD CANCER WEEKEND AND KID CAPTAIN AT PRACTICE

Houston Dynamo FC and the Houston Dash invited childhood cancer patients Sawyer and Noble to be honorary captains for Kick Childhood Cancer Weekend! Both Sawyer and Noble were able to sign their first team contracts to become official members each club respectively. The Kid Captains received a behind the scenes tour of Houston Sports Park, were able to train alongside both the men's and women's teams and got to know their teammates! During Kick Childhood Cancer Weekend, both kid captains walked out with the team captains, participated in the honorary coin toss and posed in the official team photo before kickoff.

As a part of Kick Childhood Cancer Weekend, the Houston Dynamo and Dash also hosted 11 patients and their families at their respective games. The kids each walked out on the field with players as a part of the Starting 11 and were able to enjoy the games from various suites in the stadium. The kids were selected by MD Anderson Cancer Center and Heroes for Kids.



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## LAMPSTRONG HEROES OF THE GAME

The Houston Dash goalkeeper coach and cancer survivor, Matt Lampson, honored a cancer patient and their family during each Houston Dash home game throughout the 2022 season. Each family was gifted complimentary tickets and an opportunity to meet Matt along with Houston Dash players postgame on the field. Matt Lampson founded the LampStrong Foundation during his playing career and has continued his mission of providing difference-making financial, emotional and motivational support to cancer patients and families in all the stages of cancer treatment and recovery and funds proven cancer researchers into his coaching career.



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## B.I.G. LOVE CANCER CARE

B.I.G. Love Cancer Care was established in February of 2007 in memory of Brooke Phillips with one primary focus, to ease childhood cancer journeys. B.I.G. Love helps support by bringing immediate care through physical, emotional and financial support to cancer kids and their families every single day. Dynamo Charities partnered with B.I.G. Love Cancer Care for their 2022 ambassador photo shoot. Seven ambassadors from B.I.G. Love Cancer Care came to PNC Stadium to take part in a special photo shoot showcasing the individuals and giving their families an evening of fun. Families also received tickets to come enjoy a Dynamo or Dash game.



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## RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE

The Houston Dynamo, Houston Dash and Dynamo Charities volunteered at the Ronald McDonald House on Thursday, September 15th. Players, staff and fans served dinner and hosted a soccer-themed party for the kids and families of Ronald McDonald House. Volunteers also helped run various arts and crafts stations and facilitated a soccer clinic with skills and drills. Houston Dynamo midfielder, Hector Herrera, and Houston Dash midfielders, Marisa Viggiano and Elizabeth Eddy, were on hand to provide the kids with autographs and pictures. For 40 years, Ronald McDonald House Houston has provided a home away from home for families whose children are seriously ill and being treated at a hospital inside the Texas Medical Center.





**MILITARY AND  
VETERAN SUPPORT**



## **ARMY SWEARING IN CEREMONY**

Dynamo Charities partnered with the local Army branch in Houston to host two unique swearing-in ceremonies for future soldiers. These ceremonies were held during pre-game and half-time, allowing fans to cheer on these future soldiers before deploying to basic training.

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## **KATZ COFFEE HERO OF THE GAME**

Dynamo Charities along with Katz Coffee honored one member of the military community at each Dynamo and Dash home game during the 2022 season. Each honoree received complimentary tickets, a custom jersey, a prize pack from Katz coffee and the opportunity to share their story on the Dynamo Charities website.







## **NWSL/NATIONWIDE COMMUNITY IMPACT**

The Nationwide Community Impact Award is a season-long, civically-focused initiative that promotes community and local service projects chosen and led by each NWSL team. Houston Dash GK Jane Campbell partnered with The Mission Continues and held a volunteering event to build nine garden beds in the Sharpstown neighborhood. Houston Platoons from the Mission Continues serve various underserved communities throughout Houston to help combat food insecurity, create outdoor education spaces, and support other nonprofit organizations with their work.

## **MISSION CONTINUES VOLUNTEER EVENT**

Dynamo Charities teamed up with The Mission Continues on a beautification project at Key Middle School on Saturday, March 26. Staff from Houston Dynamo FC and Houston Dash along with fans of the teams completed various projects around the school. The projects consisted of building and painting benches, power-washing sidewalks and restriping the parking lot. This volunteer event continued our relationship with Key Middle School, after donating soccer equipment in partnership with Body Armor in 2021.





**YOUTH AND COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT THROUGH SOCCER**



## SCIENCE OF SOCCER TEACHER TRAINING

Dynamo Charities kicked off the fourth year of its Science of Soccer program, inviting 25 teachers to PNC Stadium to participate in a continuing education workshop. This program provided guidance on ways to incorporate the Science of Soccer STEM program into their curriculum. Teachers also received a behind-the-scenes tour of PNC Stadium and a Science of Soccer STEM Box full of equipment and resources needed to teach the program.

Later in the year Dynamo Charities and Science of Sport hosted a Virtual Sideline Chat that discussed the science behind the game of soccer in a fun and exciting way. This virtual event included Houston Dynamo defender, Adam Lundkvist, and Houston Dynamo FC's Sports Dietician, Brett Singer. Both gentlemen told stories of how STEM plays a part in their day-to-day activities as a player and a professional in the sports industry. The recording of this sideline chat was then shared with every participating student of the Dynamo and Dash Science of Soccer program.



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## DYNAMO AND DASH GOALS

The Dynamo/Dash Goals school program is designed to educate elementary and middle school aged students about the importance of healthy eating & wellness through the power of soccer. Houston Dynamo and Dash representatives lead hour-long fun filled assembly for 100 students at local schools each month. Every student who attended received a Dynamo Goals poster and a Dynamo and Dash swag item. Dynamo Charities visited seven schools in 2022 and inspired over 550 students to build healthier performance plates filled with grains, fruits and vegetables and protein.



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## **FUTBOLITO IN THE CITY PRESENTED BY SHELL ENERGY**

Futbolito in the City (FITC) powered by Shell Energy was hosted at eight locations throughout 2022. FITC is a free soccer program for local youth, ages 6-14, that aims to foster a relationship with the sport or soccer. FITC offers a 90-minute program weekly for 10 weeks at multiple locations in our community. Students from Sugar Grove Academy, Jane Long Academy, Dean Middle School and Olle Middle School participated in an after-school version of the program. The program is also hosted at local parks for anyone Houston youth to participate in the free program. These locations included Cloverland Park, Herman Brown Park and Memorial Park. Houston Dash and Houston Dynamo players including Jane Campbell, Sebas Ferreira, Ella Dederick and Tim Parker and others made surprise visits to encourage athletes to continue staying active and playing the game they love.

The Mayor's Office of Gang Prevention and Intervention department as well as the Harris County's Sheriff's Office partnered with FITC to provide a safe space for kids to play, while also helping to host a station at each event to build a better connection between the kids in the community and the police. 2022 was the first year of the partnership between Dynamo Charities and MindReady, a nonprofit organization that offers participants sports psychology coaching. Mindready's station at FITC touches on meditation, setting goals and the art of becoming a great teammate. Participants also had the opportunity to receive prizes including Dynamo FC/Dash gear, snacks and autographs from current and former Dynamo and Dash players.

One of the most impactful additions to the program in 2022 was the first annual FITC Signing Day. This exciting day saw six standout FITC participants awarded scholarships into local clubs. Each athlete was chosen because they exhibited great sportsmanship and a desire to continue their soccer development. By providing these scholarships, the award winners were able to continue their soccer training free of cost at their local club. During signing day participants received their official FITC scholarship, met a current Dynamo player and were recognized at halftime of the Houston Dash match on September 24th. One standout athlete in particular, Deiby Chavez, was selected to be a part of the Houston Dynamo Academy as part of their U-13 team. He participated in the first FITC clinic at Jane Long Academy in 2019.









## **DIESEL'S READERS**

The Houston Dynamo and Dash are committed to promoting the importance of education and literacy among elementary and middle school students in the Houston area. Diesel's Readers was created to reward students for furthering their education by reading outside of the classroom. Diesel's Readers is a month-long program held three times throughout the year, that encourages students to read five age-appropriate books approved by their librarian or parent/guardian. In 2022, Diesel's Reader's had 1,617 participants read over 8,085 books.

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## **EASTWOOD ACADEMY NETS DONATION AND CLINIC**

Eastwood Academy High School located in the East End of Houston was without nets for their soccer goals for over two years. Through the equipment give back program, Dynamo Charities provided the school with goal nets from PNC Stadium. Houston Dynamo FC midfielder, Coco Carrasquilla then hosted a soccer clinic for the men's and women's soccer teams at Eastwood Academy to break in the new nets.



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## EVERY SAVE MAKES A DIFFERENCE

Houston Dynamo FC and Dynamo Charities partners with TUDN, Allstate and MLS WORKS to make equipment donations to local schools that are positively impacting lives in the Hispanic communities by providing soccer equipment for their teams. This year, Scarborough High School, Attucks Middle School, Dean Middle School, The Association for the Advancement of Mexican Americans' (AAMA) South Campus and AAMA's North Campus were all recipients of donations. Over \$10,000 worth of equipment was donated for every save made during a Houston Dynamo FC game broadcast on TUDN or Univision during the 2022 season.





## HESS LEARNING TO ACHIEVE AWARDS

The Houston Dynamo and Dash partnered with Hess to recognize students from 22 Houston Independent School District campuses, spanning from elementary school to high school. These students were nominated by the school administrators and their teachers for their dedication to school as well as their contributions to their community. Each student, a parent and school administrator were invited to PNC Stadium for a special recognition dinner and a behind the scenes tour of PNC Stadium. Hess continued their support of students by providing a free five-week soccer clinic at the KIPP Explorer campus. Houston Dynamo and Dash youth coaches along with Hess volunteers visited the campus once a week to host a two-hour soccer clinic for students along with volunteering to help mentor students in the classroom.





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## UNIFIED SIGNING DAY

The 2022 Houston Dynamo FC Unified Team signed their official Club contracts on May 24th at PNC Stadium. This is the seventh year that the Club and Special Olympics Texas partnered together for the MLS Unified Season. Dynamo FC and Houston Dash players joined the Unified athletes and partners for their contract signings. Signing day was the start of a busy season for the Dynamo FC Unified Team, which saw the team participate in two home games against Chicago Fire Unified and FC Dallas Unified teams.



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## HOUSTON DYNAMO FC UNIFIED TEAM VS CHICAGO FIRE & FC DALLAS UNIFIED TEAMS

The team kicked off both Unified weekends with a dinner at Pitch 25. The dinner allows both teams to meet and get to know each other prior to the game. The following morning both teams participated in a Unified match at the Houston Sports park. The Chicago Fire Unified team won the first match 2-1 while the Dynamo Unified team defeated FC Dallas 1-0. After each unified match the teams were invited to attend the first team matches at PNC Stadium and were recognized on the field at half time.



## MLS UNIFIED ALL STAR GAME

The Unified All-Star Game is part of the season-long Special Olympics Unified Soccer Exchange program that provides opportunities for Unified soccer teams to participate in a first-team MLS experience. Representing the Dynamo were forward Julio Vargas Garcia. Vargas, 19, was born in Mexico and says that the Dynamo is his favorite team! Julio loves to play soccer, and his favorite player is Memo Rodriguez. Julio was joined in Minnesota by his sister, Sofia and goalkeeper Paulo Alvarez.



# COMMUNITY ACTIVATIONS



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## INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY EVENT

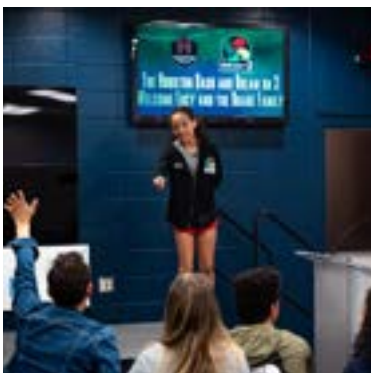
On Tuesday, March 8th, the Houston Dash and Dynamo Charities partnered with the Houston Independent School District (HISD) Roses program to host the 4th Annual International Women's Day speaker's panel. Fifty female students across 10 schools in HISD arrived at PNC Stadium to take part in a behind the scenes tour of the stadium, a lunch with members of the Houston Dynamo and Dash staff and a Houston Dash player. After the tour and lunch, the students took part in a Q&A Session with 4 female staff members from the Houston Dynamo FC and Dash organization as well as a Houston Dash player Katie Naughton. The HISD ROSES program is designed to mentor underserved female students at participating schools to support their post-secondary education and career goals through academic, social-emotional and support interventions. They have a strong focus on providing mentorship opportunities for these young women and have partnered with Dynamo Charities and the Houston Dash for the last 3 years to help provide more opportunities for these young women.



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## DREAM ON 3

Dynamo Charities and the Houston Dash partnered with Dream on 3 to host Lucy and her family at PNC Stadium. Lucy and her family were able to tour the stadium including a behind the scenes look at the locker rooms, player tunnel and field. The Houston Dash gifted Lucy and her siblings Dash jerseys and gear and helped to create Dash fans for life! Dream On 3 is a nonprofit organization that grants sports dreams for kids living with life-altering conditions.





## **100 BLACK MEN - LIFE AFTER HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS EVENT**

Houston Dynamo FC and Houston Dash Partnered with 100 Black Men of Houston to host their annual Life After High School Sports panel. The event gave student athletes the chance to hear from both current and former professional athletes as well as individuals who currently work in the front office of various sports organizations. Students had the opportunity to speak with the guests about future careers in sports both as a player and as a member of the front office. 100 Black Men of Houston enhances educational and economic opportunities for black boys and young men grades 6-12 through mentorship and community service.

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## **PARTNERSHIPS WITH LOCAL UNIVERSITIES**

Dynamo Charities teamed up with University of Houston (U of H) and Rice University to provide experiential learning opportunities for undergraduate and postgraduate students. Sport Administration students from U of H and Rice University worked on semester long projects focusing on various topics related to the professional sports industry, including non-profit work, sponsorships and ticket sales. Students had the opportunity to present their final project in front of sport professionals as well as attend a Houston Dynamo and Dash game.







## FREE HISD SUMMER SCHOOL SOCCER CLINICS

The Houston Dynamo FC and Houston Dash partnered with HISD to bring soccer clinics to 26 select campuses this summer. This exclusive opportunity was offered to provide in school programming on the pursuit of skill acquisition with our Skill Builder Program led by our youth coaches. The programs focused on individual ball mastery, fun soccer games, and small sided soccer games. Houston Dynamo FC player, Tyler Pasher, made a special appearance and held a Q&A session with the kids as well as Houston Dash players Julia Ashley and Ryan Gareis making special appearances and leading clinics as coaches.

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## OMEN GAMING CHARITY TOURNAMENT

The second Omen Gaming Charity Tournament held a best of seven series of the game Rocket League. Dynamo and Dash players were split into two teams, with Dynamo player Memo Rodriguez leading one team and Houston Dash forward Shea Groom leading the other. Memo Rodriguez, Maria Sanchez, Michaela Abam, and Marcelo Palomino competed against Shea Groom, Lindsey Harris, Corey Baird, and Ethan Bartlow during the tournament. Both teams competed to raise money for Combined Arms Gym and B.I.G. Love Cancer Care respectively. Team Shea came out victorious during this year's tournament and donated \$8,000 to Big Love Cancer Care, while Team Memo donated \$2,000 to Combined Arms Gym.





## **JUNETEENTH CLINIC WITH SHAPE COMMUNITY CENTER AND THE FORGE FOR FAMILIES**

Houston Dynamo FC and the Houston Dash hosted a Juneteenth clinic with 76 and SHAPE Community Center. Over 40 kids from the SHAPE Community Center joined both clubs at the Houston Dynamo FC and Dash Training Facility for a clinic hosted by our coaches. The students were provided with lunch and had the opportunity to listen the Executive Director of the Emancipation Park Conservancy, Dr. Muhammad Abdur-Rashid, speak about the history and importance of Juneteenth. Later in the month, the Dynamo also partnered with The Forge for Families, inviting 100 kids to Houston Sports park for a half day clinic and lunch. The clinic focused on learning the fundamentals of soccer while having fun with your friends during summer camp. At the end of the clinic Dynamo Charities presented the Forge with a check for \$5,000 to help support the families they serve in the third ward. The donation came from the sales of the Houston Dynamo FC Juneteenth themed jerseys.

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## **JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION WITH EMANCIPATION PARK**

Houston Dynamo FC and Houston Dash were proud sponsors of the Juneteenth Celebration at Emancipation Park for the 150th anniversary. The club hosted a booth at the event where attendees could participate in fun soccer related activities and receive giveaways. Juneteenth honors the day in 1865 when Union Gen. Gordon Granger brought the news of the 1863 Emancipation Proclamation to Galveston, liberating Texas slaves.





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## CASCARITA

Fans joined Houston Dynamo FC and Dash for free pick-up 4v4 soccer games, throughout the city. Cascarita gave fans the chance to play the game they love in a competitive environment, free of cost while also winning great prizes.



## VOTING DAY

PNC Stadium served as a Voting Center for the 2022 Mid-term Elections and was open to any registered voter in Harris County on Election Day. Houston Dynamo FC handed out custom “I voted” stickers for everyone who voted at PNC stadium. The club also encouraged voter registration via online and social media campaigns.



## TRICK-OR-TREAT IN THE SUITES

The Houston Dynamo and Dash invited fans and organizations to the Trick or Treat in the Suites event on Thursday, October 27th. The event was hosted from 5:30pm – 8:30pm and included pumpkin decorating, a costume contest, trick or treating, and more family friendly activities!



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## OPERATION STOCKING STUFFER

The Houston Dynamo and Dash partnered with the Houston Fire Department for the second year in a row for Operation Stocking Stuffer. This event provides toys for more than 20,000 children each year in the greater Houston community. Houston Dynamo and Dash players took part in a shopping trip to help purchase toys for the event and HDFC staff members helped sort through more than 10,000 toys for the event. On Saturday, December 17th, staff, players and Diesel helped the Houston Fire Department distribute the toys to more than 7,000 families during and drive through event.



## BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB

Dynamo Charities and The 2026 World Cup Committee worked together to host free soccer programming at 8 local Boys and Girls Clubs in Houston throughout the year. The Free Kicks program provided 2 hours of coaching each week to these clubs, each club also received a donation of soccer equipment to continue playing after the program. During the fall season each club was coached by Houston Dash players, helping to grow the game for girls as well as providing a professional experience for the kids. After each season each club attended and Houston Dash or Houston Dynamo home game.



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## CHEVRON CLINIC FOR GIRLS

The Houston Dash partnered with Chevron to host two unique clinics during the summer that focused both on soccer and STEM Education for girls. Chevron and the Dash invited 50 girls to each clinic to take part in various soccer skill lessons as well as the chance to interact with different STEM modules, including learning about hydration, speed and resistance and the angles in which different goals can be scored. The girls were treated to lunch and the chance to interact with Houston Dash players.







# VOLUNTEER EVENTS

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## DYNAMO AND DASH CELEBRATE MLK DAY AT HOPE FARMS

On Monday, January 17th, MLK Day, members of the Houston Dynamo FC front office and Houston Dash players and fans came together to volunteer at Hope Farms. Hope Farms is located in the Sunnyside neighborhood, and grows fresh, affordable produce in the midst of a Houston “food desert” while training and providing small-business incubation, co-op services and workforce readiness for U.S. Veterans and others, preparing them to be urban agripreneurs. The seven-acre farm is also a healthy gathering place, offering regular cooking and gardening classes for children and adults, weekly produce deliveries to subscribers, weekly onsite markets, pop-up produce markets in the community and public events that celebrate local food and the power of shared meals to build community. Our volunteers helped stain planters to keep them in good condition throughout the year, build chicken coops for the season as well as preparing a few of the crop areas for the upcoming planting season. The organization also made a \$1,500 donation to Hope Farms.



## GREENER GOALS WEEK

Members of the Houston Dynamo FC and Texas Pride organizations spent time volunteering at Buffalo Bayou Park as part of the Greener Goals initiative. At the event, which is part of the MLS WORKS Greener Goals Week, volunteers helped pull more than 8,500 invasive ragweed plants over nearly 1,000 feet of hillside. Volunteers included players from MLS NEXT Pro side Houston Dynamo 2 and the Houston Dash, as well as various front office individuals. In total, there were 63 volunteers who contributed 189 volunteer hours overall. For Buffalo Bayou Park Volunteer Coordinator Steve Parker, this kind of contribution is invaluable to keeping the park a high-quality space for all Houstonians to enjoy.





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## SOCCER FOR ALL

Members of Houston Dynamo Football Club spent an evening volunteering at Montrose Grace Place (MGP), an organization that provides youth of all sexualities and genders between the ages of 13 and 24 years old and currently experiencing homelessness, with food and other resources. As part of MLS' Soccer For All week, Dynamo Charities volunteered by serving food and running a soccer clinic for these individuals. For Montrose Grace Place program director Chaunteion Hall, having sports teams support the organization's mission is of the utmost importance. Dynamo Charities also made a \$3,500 donation from the Soccer For All Auction held throughout the month of June, to Montrose Grace Place to help their continued support of these individuals.



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## HOUSTON ARBORETUM

Houston Dynamo FC, the Houston Dash, and Dynamo Charities partnered with the Houston Arboretum for a volunteer event on Saturday, June 11th. The Houston Arboretum relies on volunteers to enhance the ecological health of their sanctuary trails and grounds. Houston Dash players, Bri Visalli and Ella Dederick, alongside volunteers, worked with the conservation team to help mulch trails.



## PROJECT C.U.R.E.

On Saturday, July 16th, Houston Dynamo FC, the Houston Dash, and Dynamo Charities volunteered at Project C.U.R.E. Project C.U.R.E. is the world's largest distributor of donated medical equipment and supplies to resource-limited communities across the globe, serving the sick and dying in more than 135 countries. Volunteers helped with various projects ranging from sorting materials in the warehouse, loading shipments, and making medical kits.

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## HOUSTON FOOD BANK

Houston Food Bank and Dawn partnered with the Houston Dynamo FC on August 27th to pack oranges as a part of their fresh fruit program. The Dynamo and Food bank also hosted a watch party for the Houston Dynamo FC game against Minnesota United FC during the event. The event allowed fans to not only support their home team, but also give back to the community at the same time. Houston Food Bank is America's largest food bank in distribution leading hunger relief in 18 southeast Texas counties. Fans were also treated with a special guest appearance from Diesel!







## ALL STAFF VOLUNTEER DAY

Houston Dynamo Football Club completed its second annual company wide All Staff Volunteer Day on Thursday, December 8th. The follow-up to last year's event saw an ambitious eight organizations impacted as opposed to last year, with benefits to the wider Houston community across a variety of needed areas increasing.





# 2022 BY THE NUMBERS



**1,529**

**COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER HOURS**

**\$129,570**

**RAISED FROM 50/50 RAFFLE**



**200+**

**PLAYER APPEARANCES**

**\$73,167**

**MONETARY DONATIONS TO  
COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS**







**\$19,610**

**WORTH OF ITEMS DONATED  
TO COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS**

**\$10,000**

**WORTH OF SOCCER EQUIPMENT  
DONATED TO LOCAL MIDDLE SCHOOLS**





**15,731**

**TICKETS DONATED  
TO THE COMMUNITY**

**2,365**

**KIDS RECEIVED FREE  
SOCCER PROGRAMMING**



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SCAN TO DONATE

