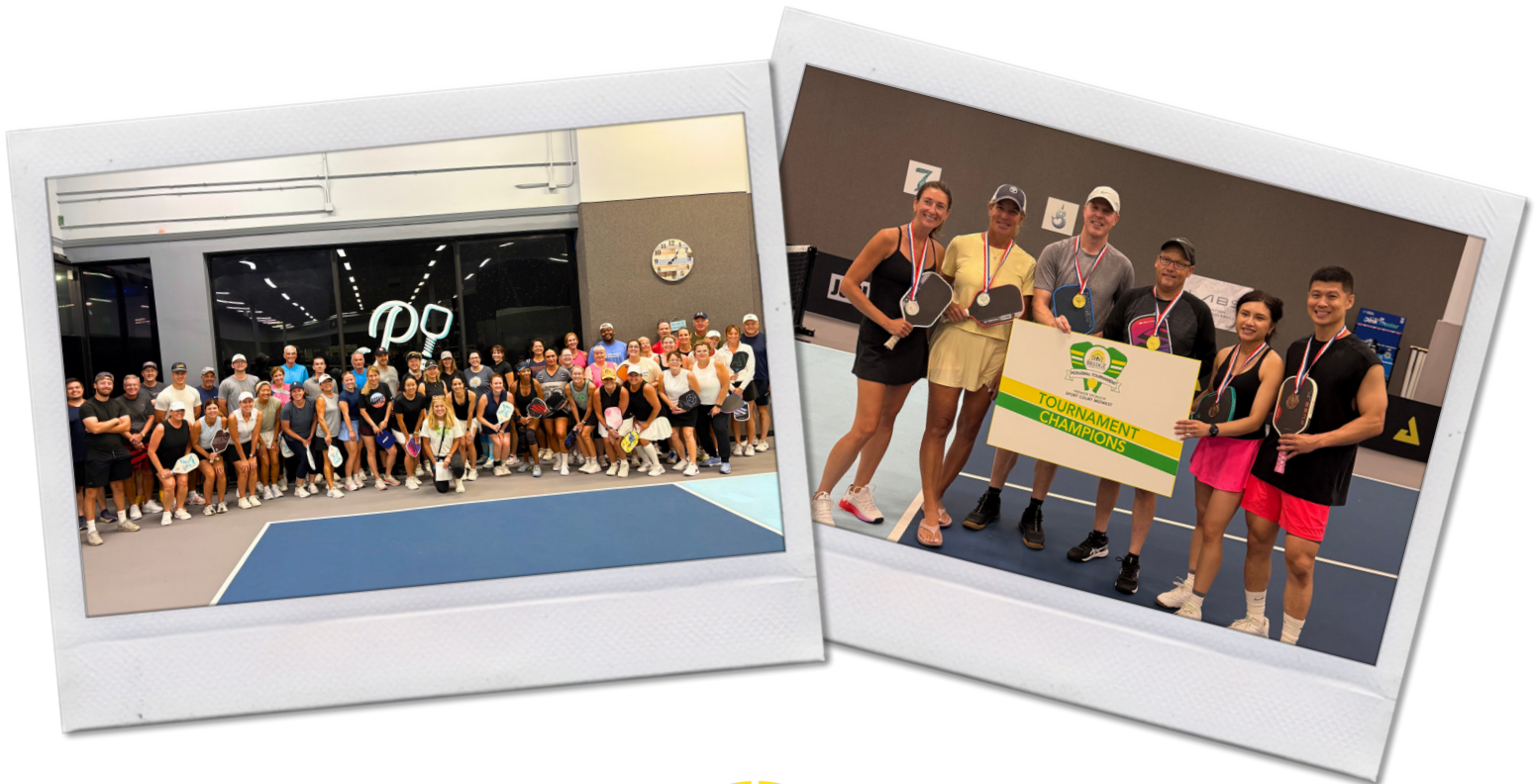




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Impact Report 2026

Thank you for your incredible support!



Pickleball Tournament Overview

On August 1st, 68 players, plus their families, friends, and fans, all came together at Pickled! in Wheaton to support Bridge Communities. It was a fabulous day of friendly competition and collegial sportsmanship. And it was all to raise money for families transitioning from homelessness to permanent, generational self-sufficiency right here in DuPage County.

Players and their supporters represent a highly desirable demographic. As one of our valued sponsors, your brand was front and center at the event and throughout a weeks-long promotional campaign. Moreover, your company name will be listed at your level of support in the digital version of Bridge Communities' annual report, which is distributed to each of our 10,000+ constituents.

Thank you for your incredible support of this unique and popular fundraiser! Your contribution made a significant impact, and we are truly grateful.

Read on for event highlights, marketing benefits, and financial results. Spoiler alert: we exceeded our budgeted goal!



Pickleball Tournament Highlights

Your brand was aligned with both a vital, heartwarming mission and one of the fastest-growing sports in the country. Pickleball enthusiasts are known for their fun-loving nature and passionate commitment to the game. Ample signage and multiple sponsor shoutouts ensured everyone knew who to thank for helping to make the event possible.

This year's competition was particularly intense during both the morning and afternoon sessions. The afternoon session especially featured exceptional play at the highest level.

The exciting displays of talent and athleticism made for thrilling entertainment as many guests stayed to cheer players through to the intense championship rounds. In the end, players and fans alike commented on what a fantastic tournament it had been.

Every player was gifted with a premium sports towel and a voucher for services at Kohler Waters Spa at Burr Ridge. Winners walked away with trophies, gift cards, and bragging rights.

And the best part is that it supported families working hard to transition from homelessness to hope. These are parents and children right here in our own community who will directly benefit from Pickleball with a purpose and your generosity.



Pickleball Tournament Financial Results

Bridge has 44 families in our intake pipeline who need a car. We also have many current clients whose cars are at the end of their safe and useful lives. As we all know, having a car is necessary to live in DuPage County, and reliable transportation is foundational to family success in the Bridge program. Through supportive sponsorships, robust ticket sales, and generous donations, we raised enough money to purchase used cars for two families!

A signature raffle gave everyone the chance to be a winner and helped raise even more revenue. The prize featured a two-night stay at the American Club in Kohler, Wisconsin, a round of golf at Medinah Country Club, a Golftec package valued at \$485, two professional pickleball paddles, and a gift certificate for a relaxing service and spa products from Kohler Waters Spa at Burr Ridge.

Multiple revenue generators fueled by a dedicated promotional campaign and complimented by judicious expense spending pushed our net income 8.2% over budget!

2026 Financial Results:

Revenue: \$24,326

Expenses: \$4,312

Net: \$20,015



Pickleball Tournament Marketing

As a sponsor, your name and support were proudly shared with the public and players alike.

Day-of Promotion:

Signage posted throughout the venue featured your logo with our thanks. Bridge staff thanked each of our sponsors at the beginning of both sessions, highlighting your contributions to the event.

Social Media:

Your logo was shared, and your company was tagged on Bridge's Facebook page, with more than 3,900 followers, our Instagram with more than 1,700 followers, and our LinkedIn with more than 1,400 followers.

E-mail Campaign:

Your company was thanked and your logo was prominently shared in a series of emails that went out to over 5,000 people.

Website:

Your company's logo was also shared on our website and was seen by our website users on more than 1,100 page visits.



Thank you!

Thank you again for supporting Bridge Communities' Pickleball Tournament!
You helped get more Bridge families on the road to success.

We hope you will agree this was a very worthwhile win-win partnership and
we can continue to include you in the family of Bridge supporters.

Please contact me anytime to explore the myriad of ways we can support
each other as well as families transitioning from homelessness to permanent,
generational self-sufficiency right here in DuPage County.

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Connecting families facing homelessness to
a better future since 1988

Mission:

The mission of Bridge Communities is to partner with families and their children, providing stable housing and transformational support so they are empowered to overcome homelessness and thrive for generations to come.

Vision:

Our vision is a community where all families are healthy, financially stable, and living in affordable housing.

Values:

Our core values—Partnership, Hope, Integrity, Respect, and Empowerment—guide everything we do and reflect the commitment of everyone involved in Bridge Communities.

