



*The mission of Breckenridge Outdoor Education Center is to expand the potential of people with disabilities and special needs through meaningful, educational and inspiring outdoor experiences.*

### **BOEC Fact Sheet**

Established in 1976, Breckenridge Outdoor Education Center (BOEC) is a 501(c)3 non-profit educational organization, accredited by the Association of Experiential Education and the Professional Ski Instructors Association. BOEC is an active chapter of Disabled Sports USA and a promoter of Leave No Trace. BOEC is a certified and permitted operator on US Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management lands and rivers.

Programs are offered throughout the year, including open enrollment courses for individuals and custom designed courses for groups, agencies and organizations. Activities include: downhill and cross country skiing, snowboarding and snowshoeing in the winter; and rock climbing, wilderness camping, rafting, canoeing, paddle boarding, adaptive cycling, high and low ropes courses and team initiatives in the summer.

This marks BOEC's 44th year of proudly serving adults and children with a wide array of disabilities and special needs from throughout Colorado and the United States including 10 other countries. In our 2018-19 fiscal year we managed nearly 11,000 programming days in our Adaptive Ski & Snowboard, Wilderness, and Intern Programs for nearly 2,800 individual participants.

The three main programs of BOEC are:

- ***Adaptive Ski Program*** – Accessible downhill and cross-country skiing and snowboarding based out of Breckenridge and Keystone Ski Resorts.
- ***Wilderness Program*** – Accessible whitewater rafting, canoeing, camping, backpacking, snowshoeing, ropes course, climbing wall and team initiatives. Offering multi-day camps at our 39-acre Breckenridge program site and also travel to scenic outdoor areas in Colorado and Utah.
- ***Internship Program*** – A full immersion training program allowing individuals to get a unique hands-on experience working every aspect of a world-renowned adaptive outdoor therapeutic recreation, and sports non-profit.

The Wilderness Campus is a 39-acre parcel of land in Breckenridge at the base of Peak 9 in Summit County, Colorado. The campus features a sub-alpine lake, a modern lodge and cabin facilities, a ropes course and accessible trails.

BOEC provides nearly \$260,000 per year in scholarships for participants in financial need. These funds are raised from generous individuals, foundations, corporations and government agencies from around the country. In addition, general operating funds are raised through a series of special events and from a wide variety of donors to keep overall tuitions as low as possible.

BOEC's greatest contributors and partners are Breckenridge Ski Resort, Keystone Ski Resort and the Town of Breckenridge. Without their support, the BOEC would not be possible.

**BRECKENRIDGE OUTDOOR EDUCATION CENTER  
FISCAL YEAR DEMOGRAPHICS  
2018-19**

	<b>Ski</b>	<b>Wild</b>	<b>Total Ski/ Wild</b>	<b>Intern Program</b>	<b>Total All Programs</b>
Individuals served	1,320	1,450	2,770	26	2,796
Programming days	3,579	4,485	8,064	2,923	10,987
Adults (19+)	43%	29%	37%		
All Youth (3-18)	55%	68%	60%		
Age Not indicated	2%	3%	3%		
Male	63%	52%	58%		
Female	35%	48%	41%		
Gender Not Indicated	2%	0%	1%		
Participants from CO	46%	70%	56%		
Participants from out of state	48%	30%	41%		
Participants. from foreign countries	2%	0%	2%		
Amount of scholarship	\$105,397	\$150,114	\$255,511		
% of individuals on scholarship	29%	21%	25%		
Veterans	80 vets participants	80 family members	1,183 programing days	\$139,776 funding	

*Participants were from 44 States + Washington DC*

*All states except: Idaho, Maine, North Dakota, Oregon, Vermont, West Virginia*

*10 Countries Including: Australia, Bahamas, Canada, Costa Rica, Mexico, UK: Scotland, England, Wales, Northern Ireland, & USA*

*The Most commonly served disabilities in 2018-2019 were: Autism, traumatic brain injury, developmentally/cognitively/learning disabled, Down Syndrome, mental illness, spinal cord injury, cerebral palsy, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, visually impaired, multiple sclerosis, ADD/ADHD, amputees, cleft lip and pallet, and abused, neglected and at-risk youth.*