



**NEW YORK ISLANDERS**  
**COMMUNITY REPORT**

**2023-24 SEASON IN REVIEW**



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# ***ISLANDERS IN THE COMMUNITY***





**HOCKEY  
WITH A  
HEART.**

## Mission Statement

The New York Islanders are committed to leveraging the power of hockey to make a positive impact in our community across Long Island and Metro New York. We deeply care about fostering relationships that enhance the quality of life for our neighbors. Through collaborative efforts and a series of in-house programs, the Islanders' Community Relations department addresses key social issues including education, youth development, and health & wellness.

Throughout the year, we collaborate with local nonprofits and partners to deepen our impact in the community. Our initiatives aim to:

- **Engage:** Cultivate strong relationships through inclusive programs and events that promote unity and understanding.
- **Empower:** Provide resources and opportunities that empower individuals and groups to achieve their full potential, both on and off the ice.
- **Educate:** Foster education and awareness on issues close to the hearts of our fans and community members.
- **Inspire:** Lead by example, inspiring others to give back and make a difference in the lives of those around them.

By serving as a catalyst for positive change, we aim to create a legacy of community pride and resilience that transcends the game itself. These impactful endeavors are made possible by the dedicated efforts of ownership, management, players, front office staff, and the generous support of loyal fans and sponsors. As proud members of the community, the New York Islanders organization remains committed to enriching the lives of those we serve.

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# ***ISLANDERS CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION***





## History

Founded in 2003 as a registered 501(c)(3) organization, the Islanders Children's Foundation (ICF) was established under the leadership of the late Islanders owner, Charles B. Wang. Driven by his deep commitment to children's well-being, Wang aimed to provide young individuals with opportunities to lead happy, healthy, and successful lives. Today, the Islanders' current ownership group upholds Charles' enduring values and remains dedicated to pioneering philanthropic efforts, ensuring the ICF continues to be a cornerstone of community support.

Since its inception, the ICF has raised over \$20 million through a diverse array of events and initiatives aimed at benefiting the community. This ongoing success underscores the unwavering support of the entire Islanders family, including ownership, players, staff, sponsors, and fans, who collectively contribute to making a meaningful impact in the lives of those in need.

## Vision

Since 1972, the New York Islanders have upheld a steadfast vision of fostering a legacy of philanthropy and community support. As stewards of this storied NHL franchise, Islanders ownership recognizes a profound responsibility to nurture and strengthen connections with the entire Metro New York area and its surrounding communities. This commitment to community trust, established under the leadership of Bill Torrey and Al Arbour, remains a cornerstone of our enduring tradition today.

## Mission

The Islanders Children's Foundation (ICF) is dedicated to enriching the lives of youth and families throughout Metro New York now and in the future. Committed to fostering education, supporting local communities, and promoting community well-being, the Foundation collaborates with nonprofit organizations that align with its mission. By developing impactful programs, the ICF aims to create a lasting legacy that positively impacts generations to come.

# Core Pillars



## 1. Health, Wellness, and Education

- Prioritizing programs and initiatives that support the physical, mental, and educational development of youth and families in the community.
- Partnering with organizations to promote health education, wellness activities, and academic enrichment programs.



## 2. Growing the Game of Hockey

- Fostering accessibility and enthusiasm for hockey among youth through grassroots initiatives, equipment donations, and developmental programs.
- Collaborating with local leagues, schools, and community centers to expand participation in hockey across diverse populations.



## 3. Community Support

- Supporting nonprofit organizations that align with the foundation's mission to enhance community well-being and resilience.
- Engaging in philanthropic efforts and volunteerism to address local needs and promote social equity within Metro New York and surrounding areas.

These pillars reflect the foundation's commitment to community development, the growth of hockey, and fostering a culture of support and inclusivity within the Long Island/Metro NY area.



## Golf Outing

The 15th annual Islanders Children's Foundation Golf Outing, presented by UBS, took place at Glen Oaks Club in Old Westbury. Islanders players, coaches, and alumni teamed up with donors for a day of golf, culminating in a dinner reception, awards ceremony, and auction.

**This highly successful event raised a record-breaking \$677K for the ICF in support of its initiatives.**



## Race to the Rink

Fans hit the pavement for the annual Race to the Rink 5K, presented by Easterseals New York with support from the Islanders Children's Foundation. Held on April 7 at UBS Arena, the event drew more than 550 community members who ran, walked, or jogged around the rink. Participants enjoyed post-race interactions with Islanders legend Butch Goring and alumni like Thomas Hickey. This event raised over \$117K, benefiting both Easterseals New York, which provides essential programs and services to individuals with disabilities and special needs, and the Islanders Children's Foundation.



## In-Game Fundraising



**\$1,200,000+**

### 50/50 Raffle

During the 2023-24 season, the 50/50 raffle took place at all Islanders home games and select arena events. This initiative successfully generated more than \$1.2 million in funds, benefiting partnering non-profit organizations and the ICF.

#### Highlights

The 50/50 Raffle, supported by Tunnels to Towers and the Northwell Health Foundation, saw proceeds from the April 6th home game donated to the late NYPD Detective Jonathan Diller, a Long Island native. Thanks to fan support, the raffle achieved a record-breaking jackpot exceeding \$150,000.

Over \$430,000 raised was contributed to various non-profit organizations.



### Warm-Up Pucks

Fans purchased commemorative pucks which were used on the ice for warm-ups prior to each home game. These pucks were personalized to showcase the game, date and opponent. This initiative generated over \$50,000 in funds for the ICF.

**\$50,000+**



### Mystery Pucks

Fans had the opportunity to purchase specially-designed pucks autographed by players, featuring themes such as Hockey Fights Cancer, Military Appreciation, New Year's, and Hockey is for Everyone. This initiative raised \$54,000 for the ICF and its charity partners during the season.

**\$54,000+**



## In-Game Fundraising



### Silent Auction

At select home games, fans had the chance to bid on unique autographed Islanders memorabilia and special experiences. The program raised \$62,000 for the ICF.



### Halloween Player Baskets

The significant others of the Islanders players contributed to the ICF by assembling unique "favorite things" baskets for each player. These baskets featured personal favorites and autographed items, and were raffled during games, collectively raising over \$8,750 for the foundation.



### Lucky Pucks

During the March 16th home game, fans participated in a lucky draw where they selected a golden puck. Each puck revealed exclusive autographed prizes, such as photos and sticks signed by Islanders alumni and current players. This initiative raised over \$13,500 for the ICF.



### Scoreboard Messages

Fans bought personalized scoreboard messages that were featured during home games, contributing to raising more than \$18,250 for the ICF.



### Birthday Buttons

With a \$5 donation to the ICF fans celebrating their birthdays at UBS Arena received a customized Birthday Button.

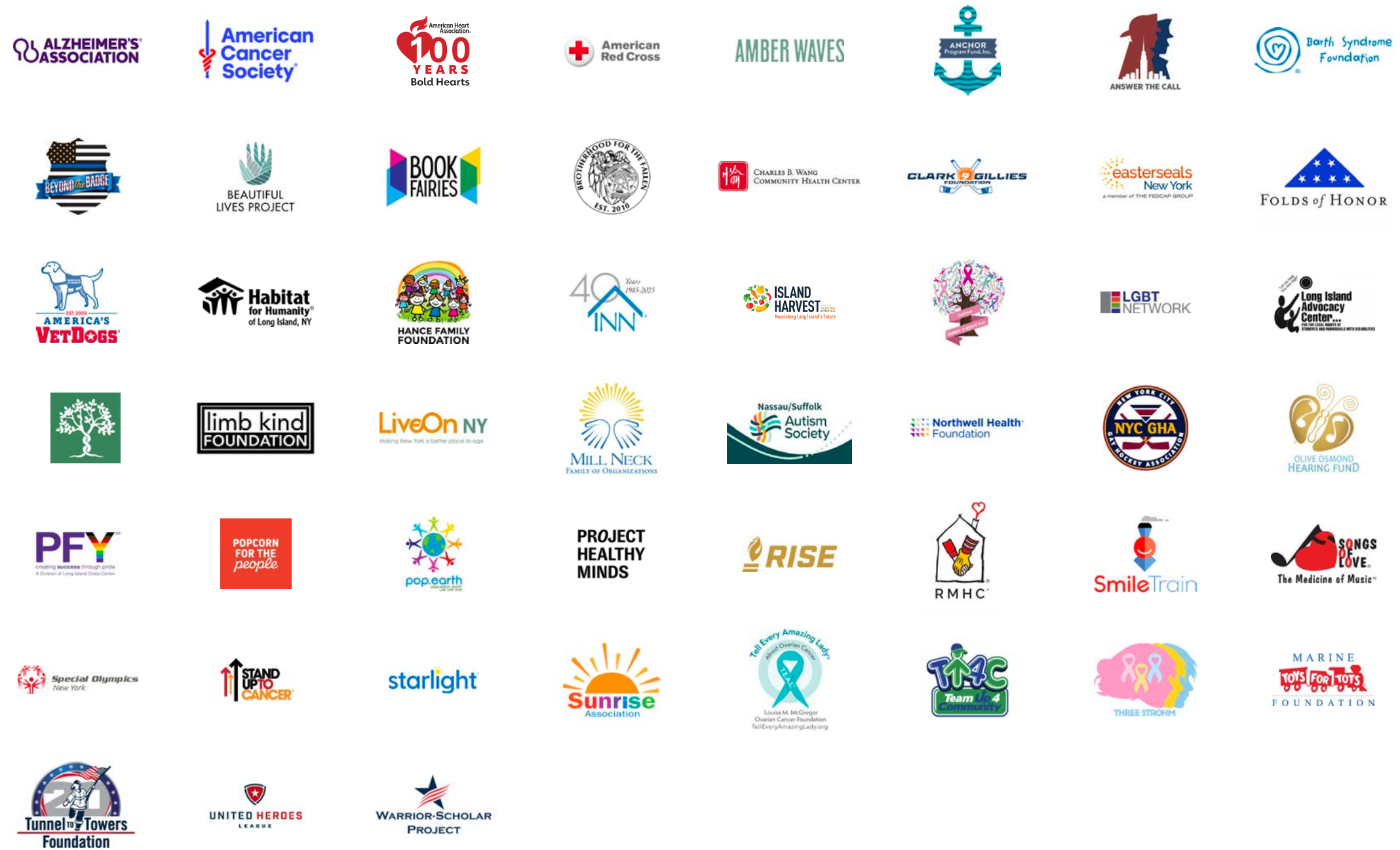


## Jersey Auctions

During the season, the Islanders hosted several jersey auctions, featuring themes like Hockey Fights Cancer, Military Appreciation, NHL Green, and game-used jerseys, all of which were autographed. These charity auctions collectively raised \$81,000



The Islanders are dedicated to making a positive impact in the community, collaborating with causes that resonate deeply with the organization and our fans. Throughout the season, the Islanders Children's Foundation joined forces with a chosen group of non-profit organizations to raise awareness and funds for their missions. Through Islanders games, social media, and game broadcasts, these groups increased visibility for their causes. Each organization benefited from a share of the 50/50 raffle proceeds and were spotlighted in the Community Corner that took place each game. Additionally, complimentary tickets were provided to each group, allowing them to distribute them to those they serve or to express gratitude to volunteers, staff, or donors.



# Community Investment



## Backpack Program

With support from Northwell Health and the Islanders Children’s Foundation, the annual backpack program provided 500 backpacks to youth in the local area. Each backpack contained essential back-to-school items, Islanders-themed notebooks, folders, a water bottle, pencils, and more. Students picking up a backpack also had the opportunity to receive a complimentary back-to-school haircut thanks to Monti’s Barbershop.



## ICF Scholarship

During the season, the Islanders Children’s Foundation established a scholarship for graduating high school seniors who have significantly contributed to their community. The scholarship granted \$5,000 each to five local students who exemplify hard work, perseverance, leadership, and community engagement, totaling \$25,000. The recipients this year were Celeste Harrington, Noah Zinman, Timothy Connolly, Sarah Brannigan, and Fanta Kaaba.



## Islanders Assist

In collaboration with Stop & Shop, for every "home" assist by the New York Islanders, Stop & Shop made a monetary contribution to support the donation of meals within the local community. The season's 214 home assists resulted in 21,300 meals being provided to those in need.



## Thanksgiving Meal Distribution

Ahead of the holiday season, the Islanders partnered with UBS to donate two hundred Thanksgiving meals to families in need.

# Community Investment



### Charles B. Wang Community Service Award

The late owner Charles B. Wang was renowned for his philanthropy, dedicating himself to numerous charitable initiatives throughout his lifetime. In honor of his legacy, the annual Charles B. Wang Community Service Award celebrates leaders in Metro New York who have positively influenced individuals, families, or the community. The recipient for the 2023-24 season was Susannah Schaefer, President and CEO of Smile Train. Smile Train also received a \$25K donation on behalf of the award.



### Holiday Event with Viscardi Center

Nationwide Mortgage Bankers and the Islanders Children's Foundation teamed up to host over 50 students and families from the Henry Viscardi School at the New York Islanders game on December 13th. The event included dinner, gifts, and visits from Sparky the Dragon and Islanders alumni Darius Kasparaitis.

### Food Backpack Program with Island Harvest

The Islanders collaborated with Island Harvest, contributing \$25,000 to aid children in the UBS Arena community. This donation guarantees access to nutritious meals over weekends for children facing food insecurity. More than 75 local youth benefited from this support, receiving meals for over 36 weeks.



## Community Investment



### Hospital Gown Program

With support from the Starlight Children's Foundation, the Islanders continued their initiative to supply youth in local hospitals with Islanders-branded hospital gowns. Additionally, they provided gaming unit devices to offer children in hospitals a distraction and bring a sense of normalcy during their stay.



### Puppy with a Purpose

Teaming up with the Guide Dog Foundation and America's Vet Dogs, the New York Islanders introduced Jethro as the team's fourth Puppy with a Purpose. Jethro will undergo 16-18 months of training, both formal and informal, before being paired with a Veteran or Military member in need through the Vet Dogs program. Throughout the past season, Islanders fans assisted in socializing Jethro and familiarizing him with various sights and sounds.



### Pucks & Paws

Players collaborated with puppies and dogs from the Guide Dog Foundation and America's Vet Dogs for the annual Pucks & Paws calendar photo shoot. This successful fundraiser generated over \$27,000 to support their important missions.





# ***COMMUNITY THEME NIGHTS & INITIATIVES***





Hispanic  
Heritage Night  
October 17, 2023



## Hispanic Heritage Night

UBS Arena and the New York Islanders celebrated Hispanic Heritage Night on October 17, 2023. Hispanic culture was blended in throughout the game night experience.

Salvadoran cuisine served at concessions, highlighting the rich cultural diversity of the community.

Fans commemorated the occasion with special collectible pucks, the proceeds of which supported the Islanders Children's Foundation and initiatives aimed at expanding hockey in Hispanic communities. Community members enjoyed an exclusive discounted ticket package that included a ¡Vamos Islanders! themed hat, making the night accessible and festive for all.

In support of Breast Cancer Awareness month and to honor the Hispanic community, the Islanders recognized Latina Sister Support as the night's HWAH charity partner. The initiative raised funds through a 50-50 raffle, providing essential resources such as over 100 food baskets, cleaning services for 50 homes, and 150 meals for women undergoing cancer treatment.

Inside UBS Arena, the ¡Vamos Islanders! theme was brought to life with themed decor, on-ice projections, and the presence of two Spanish-speaking hosts who engaged fans throughout the game with Spanish-language promotions. The night not only celebrated Hispanic heritage but also fostered community spirit and support for important causes.



# Military Appreciation Night

November 11, 2023



## Military Appreciation Night

On November 11, 2023, the Islanders hosted Military Appreciation Night, a heartfelt tribute to honor and support military members and veterans.

The plaza outside the arena buzzed with excitement as fans engaged with WWII vehicles refurbished by local community members, providing photo opportunities and interactive displays.

The evening kicked off with a poignant Opening Ceremony, where members of the New York Army National Guard Alpha Company from the 106th Rescue Wing descended from the rafters, carrying the nation's colors to center ice. Their ceremonial puck drop marked the start of the annual appreciation night.

Throughout the game, fans eagerly purchased limited edition autographed military-themed mystery pucks on the concourse, raising over \$9,750 for military-related programs. Additionally, team-issued autographed military-themed jerseys were auctioned, raising more than \$14,700, with each winning bidder also receiving two lower-bowl tickets to a future home game.

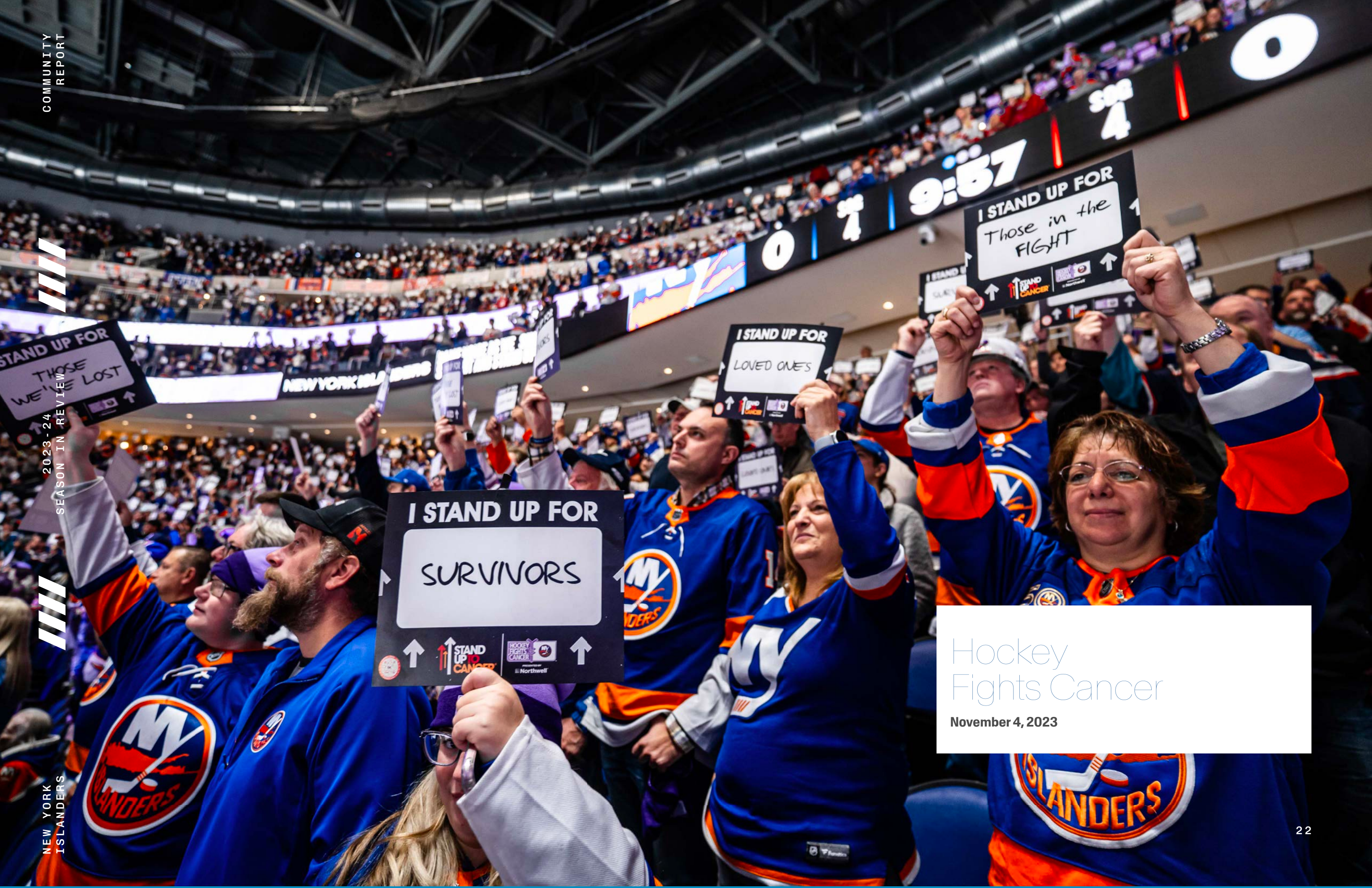
The Islanders players distributed approximately \$6,000 worth of complimentary game tickets to active military members, veterans, and their families, ensuring they could share in the evening's celebration.

Ford contributed to the festivities by gifting camouflage hats to the first 10,000 fans, adding to the spirit of solidarity and appreciation.

The night also spotlighted the Warrior Scholar Project and United Heroes League as designated HWAH charities, raising awareness and funds to support children of military families.

Inside the arena, fans held up "I Salute" placards during a special TV-timeout, a touching moment to recognize and honor those who have served. Customizable placards were available for personal messages of gratitude.

Military Appreciation Night not only celebrated the bravery and sacrifice of military personnel but also united the community in a powerful display of support and gratitude.



Hockey  
Fights Cancer  
November 4, 2023



## Hockey Fights Cancer

On November 4, 2023, UBS Arena hosted a poignant Hockey Fights Cancer Night, marking the NHL and NHLPA's 25th anniversary of raising awareness and funds for cancer initiatives.

The evening began with a touching ceremonial puck drop, featuring four pediatric patients from Northwell Health, ages 5 to 17, bravely taking the ice to remind fans of the ongoing fight against cancer.

Jennifer, a local breast cancer survivor diagnosed in 2018, waved the New York Islanders flag as Flag Captain, symbolizing the community's strength in battling cancer together.

Desander Más, a Vietnam veteran and cancer survivor, was honored as Military Hero of the Game for his advocacy in cancer research, emphasizing the importance of regular screenings.

Throughout the game, fans purchased limited edition autographed Hockey Fights Cancer-themed mystery pucks, raising over \$9,300 for cancer-related programs. Team-issued autographed cancer-themed jerseys were also auctioned, generating more than \$19,750, with winning bidders receiving additional lower-bowl tickets to a future home game.

Northwell Health also contributed to the evening by providing lavender Hockey Fights Cancer beanies to the first 10,000 attendees, further uniting fans in support of cancer awareness.

The Hockey With A Heart (HWAH) initiative highlighted various cancer-related nonprofit organizations throughout October and November, showcasing their efforts in cancer research, awareness, and support.

- Latina Sisters Support (Breast Cancer Awareness)
- Sunrise Association (Pediatric Cancer Awareness)
- Three Strohm Sisters (Breast Cancer Awareness)
- T.E.A.L. Foundation (Ovarian Cancer Awareness)
- Songs of Love (Pediatric Cancer Awareness)
- American Cancer Society (Cancer Awareness and Research)
- Northwell Health Foundation (Cancer Research and Treatment)

Inside the arena, fans held up "I Fight For" placards during a special TV-timeout, demonstrating solidarity with those affected by cancer. Customizable placards allowed personal messages of support to be displayed.

The night's significance was further underscored by an emotional moment as an Islanders fan met his bone marrow donor for the first time at the November 25th game, illustrating the profound impact of support and hope in the fight against cancer.



# SPLASHES OF HOPE

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Mental Health  
Awareness  
January 8, 2024





## Mental Health Awareness

UBS Arena hosted Mental Health Awareness Night on January 8, 2024, spotlighting initiatives to promote understanding and support for mental health.

The concourse buzzed with excitement as Northwell Therapy dogs and adoptable puppies from Save-A-Pet USA interacted with fans, highlighting the therapeutic benefits animals provide in healthcare settings.

Inside the arena, #TakeATimeOut messages were projected onto the ice, encouraging fans to take a moment to connect with others, reflecting the length of an NHL timeout.

Players from the New York Islanders shared a heartfelt video emphasizing the importance of mental health and reaching out to trusted individuals for support. Captain Anders Lee's message resonated: "Whatever you're working through, talk to somebody. Find someone that you can trust and air things out with. You'll feel a lot better after that and might find some direction on where to go from there; you're not alone on this."

Northwell Health distributed foam finger stress toys to all attendees, adding a lighthearted touch to the evening while promoting stress relief.

The Islanders partnered with mental health awareness nonprofit organizations—Northwell Health Foundation, Beyond the Badge, and Project Healthy Minds—underscoring their commitment to providing mental health services and reducing stigma.

During the game, fans participated in creating an Islanders-themed mural called Splash of Hope, destined for donation to a Northwell hospital to uplift patients' spirits.

Additionally, a percentage of proceeds from headwear sales at Isles Lab during the event supported Northwell Health Foundation's behavioral health services, furthering the night's impact beyond the arena.

Mental Health Awareness Night at UBS Arena not only educated and engaged fans but also fostered a supportive community environment around mental wellness and advocacy.



**UBS**

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Pride Night

January 23, 2024



## Pride Night

UBS Arena celebrated Pride Night on January 23, 2024, with a series of events and initiatives aimed at promoting inclusivity and supporting the LGBTQIA+ community.

Prior to the game, the Islanders hosted the New York City Gay Hockey Association (NYCGHA) for a spirited Pride Pond Hockey Tournament at The Park at UBS Arena, kicking off the festivities with a display of athleticism and camaraderie.

During the game, fans participated in the popular Mystery Puck fundraiser, contributing to the evening's charitable efforts.

The Islanders partnered with three prominent charities—PFY (a division of Long Island Crisis Center), LGBT Network, and NYCGHA—whose missions were highlighted throughout the event, emphasizing support for LGBTQIA+ programs and advocacy.

Mona Monahan was honored as the winner of the Pride T-shirt design contest, her artwork featuring a skate adorned with rainbow ice shavings inspired by the Hockey is for Everyone initiative. Sales of her design raised over \$2,500, benefiting LGBTQIA+ programs.

Isles Lab launched a special Hockey is for Everyone hat design, with proceeds from sales supporting the cause, further demonstrating the organization's commitment to diversity and inclusion.

Inside the arena, dasher boards were prominently displayed in rainbow colors for the third consecutive year, symbolizing solidarity with the LGBTQIA+ community.

Fans who purchased a special Pride ticket to the game received an Islanders pride hat as part of a group ticket package, adding to the celebratory atmosphere.

Supported by American Express, the Small Business Spotlight featured Fresco's Cantina, a local LGBT-friendly Mexican fusion restaurant, highlighting community businesses that embrace inclusivity and diversity.

Pride Night at UBS Arena not only celebrated hockey's diversity but also reaffirmed the Islanders' dedication to creating a welcoming environment for all fans, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity.



First  
Responders  
April 6, 2024



## First Responders Night

On Saturday, April 6, UBS Arena honored First Responders Night with heartfelt tributes and community support.

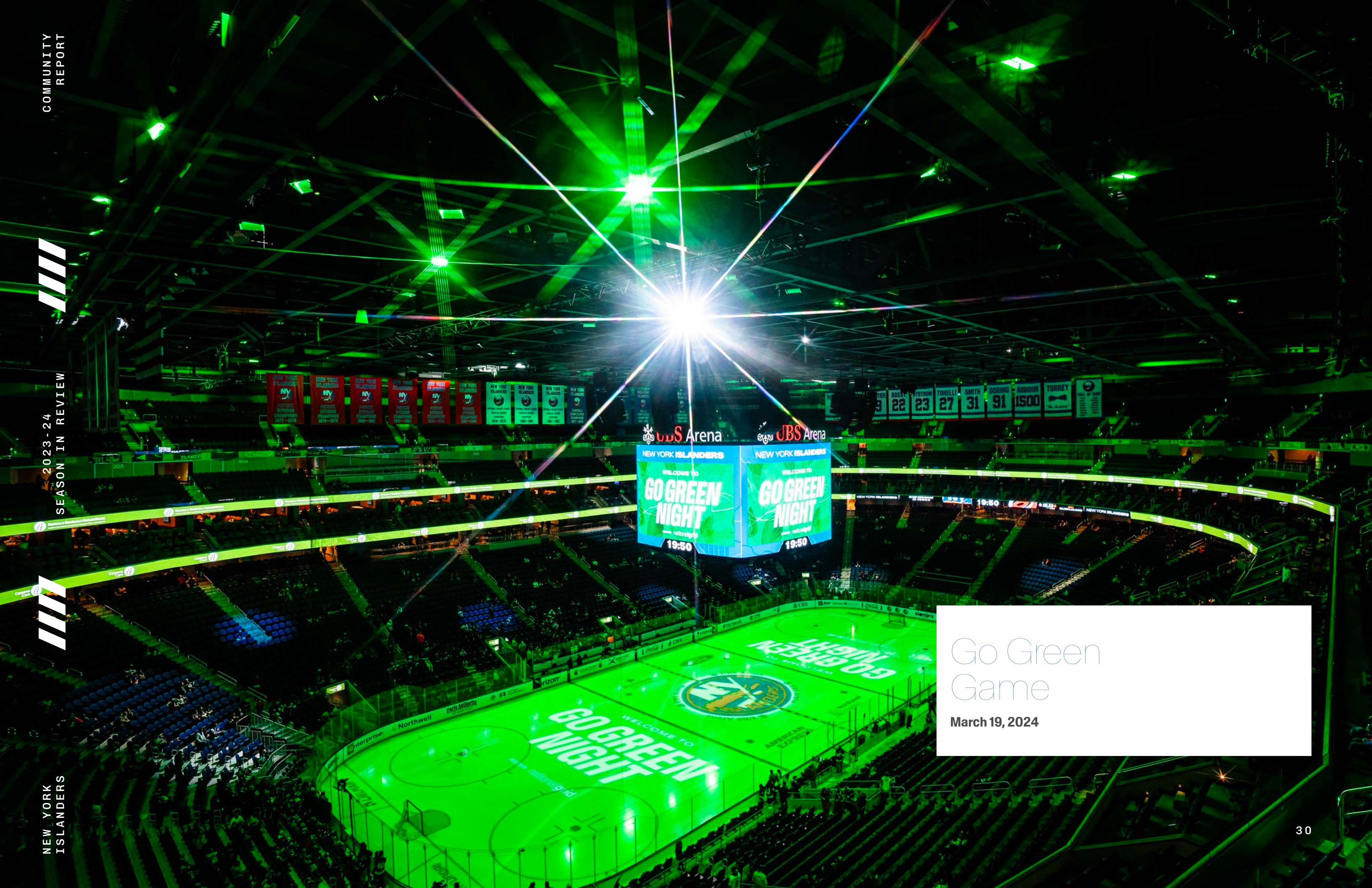
Before the game, fans engaged with a display of first responder vehicles, including two fire trucks from the Elmont Fire Department, NYPD police cars, and a Northwell Health EMS vehicle, highlighting the crucial role these professionals play in our communities.

Commemorating the event, Northwell Health generously distributed New York Islanders branded first aid kits to attendees upon exit, emphasizing the importance of preparedness and safety.

The ceremonial puck drop featured Sgt. Christopher Roach from the NYPD with 17 years of service, Lieutenant Andrew Morotta from the FDNY with 19 years of service, and a Northwell paramedic with 21 years of SEMS experience. Their presence honored all first responders and symbolized unity and gratitude.

The Islanders partnered with Tunnels to Towers and Northwell Health Foundation as the game's charity partners. In a touching gesture, both organizations redirected the funds they would have received from the 50/50 raffle to support the family of Jonathan Diller, a fallen New York City police officer and devoted Islanders fan who tragically lost his life in the line of duty on March 25.

First Responders Night at UBS Arena not only celebrated the bravery and sacrifice of our first responders but also underscored the community's unwavering support for those who protect and serve.



Go Green  
Game  
March 19, 2024



 UBS Arena



WELCOME TO  
**GO GREEN  
NIGHT**  
PRESENTED BY nationalgrid



BELMONT  
PARK

## Go Green Game

The Islanders hosted its “Go Green” Game on March 19, 2024, supported by National Grid, promoting sustainability and community engagement.

The highlight of the evening was the auction of team-issued autographed, green-themed jerseys, raising over \$15,000. Winners not only received a specialty jersey but also two complimentary lower-bowl tickets to a future home game, contributing to the night’s charitable efforts.

Amber Waves, the game’s Hockey With A Heart charity partner, was celebrated for its commitment to sustainable agriculture and community education. The organization, based at an ocean-side farm, aims to unite food and community while providing educational opportunities in agriculture.

Throughout the game, fans were educated about UBS Arena’s sustainability initiatives, emphasizing the venue’s commitment to environmental responsibility.

Commemorating the event, attendees received a practical and eco-friendly giveaway—a recycle bag—to encourage sustainable practices beyond the arena.

The Go Green Game at UBS Arena not only highlighted environmental stewardship but also showcased the community’s dedication to making a positive impact through sustainable practices and support for local initiatives.



## Collections & Drives



### Blood Drive

The Islanders and the New York Blood Center collaborated to host two successful blood drives at UBS Arena. Together, they welcomed over 450 donors, whose contributions are estimated to have saved over 1,000 lives. As a token of appreciation, each donor received complimentary tickets to attend a specified New York Islanders regular season home game.



### Food Drive

The annual food drive, supported by Stop & Shop, was held before the November 22 home game at UBS Arena. The New York Islanders partnered with Island Harvest, and with the generous support of fans, over 4,200 lbs. of food were collected and donated to those in need.



### Toy Drive

In partnership with Marine's Toys for Tots over 1,000 toys were collected before the December 9 home game at UBS Arena.



### Coat Drive

In partnership with We Heart NYC Sports Commission the New York Islanders collected new or lightly worn coats before the January 11 home game. Over 700 coats were collected through this initiative.



### Equipment Drive

The year-long equipment drive in partnership with the NHL's Recycle the Game initiative collected over 1,000 pieces of equipment. All equipment was donated to local nonprofit organizations dedicated to growing the game of hockey.



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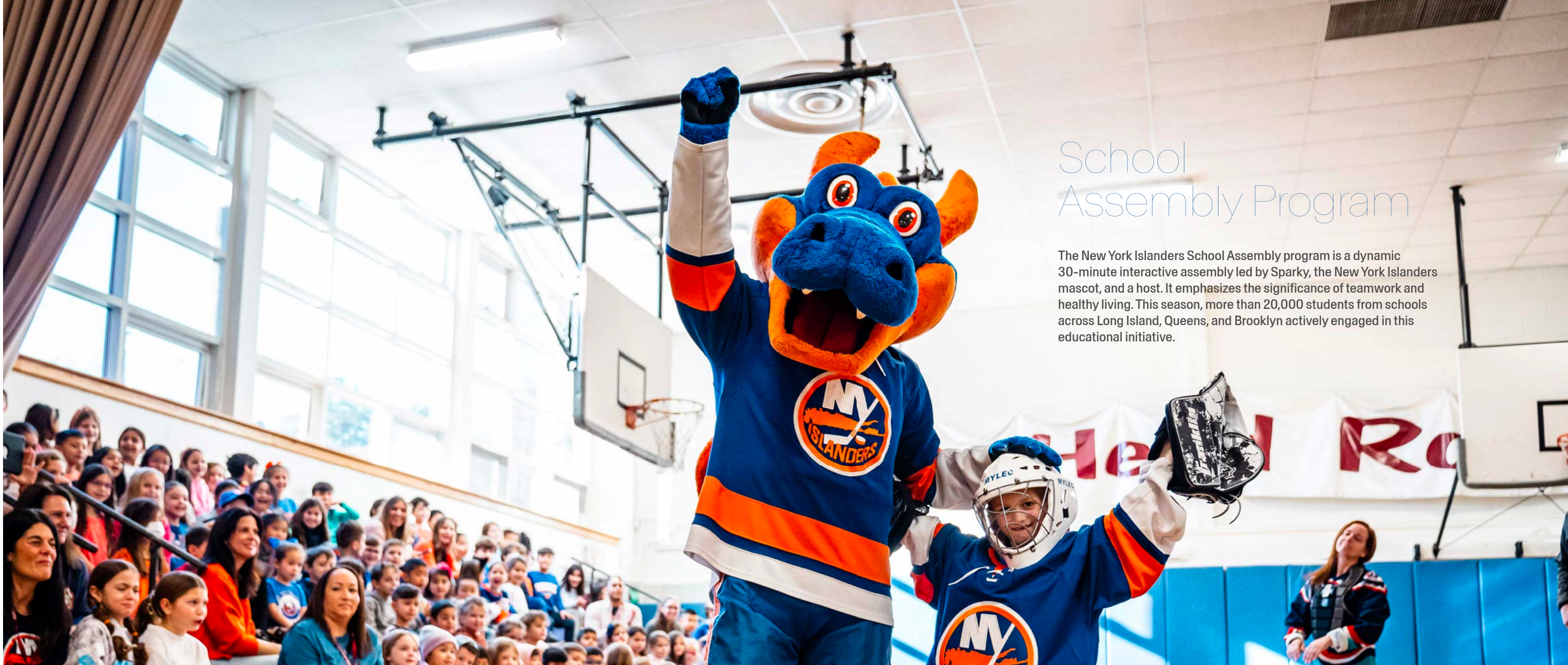


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# ***ISLANDERS AT SCHOOL***





## School Assembly Program

The New York Islanders School Assembly program is a dynamic 30-minute interactive assembly led by Sparky, the New York Islanders mascot, and a host. It emphasizes the significance of teamwork and healthy living. This season, more than 20,000 students from schools across Long Island, Queens, and Brooklyn actively engaged in this educational initiative.

## Participating Schools

Rhame Avenue Elementary  
William Sidney Mount Elementary School  
P.S. 360Q  
Brookside School  
P.S. 135Q – The Bellaire School  
Oceanside #5 – North Oceanside Elementary  
Babylon Elementary School  
Lee Avenue Elementary School  
Edward J. Bosti Elementary School  
California Avenue School  
Baylis Elementary School  
Lynwood Ave Elementary  
P.S. 26Q – Rufus King School  
P.S.254 – The Dag Hammarskjold School  
Summit Lane  
Ruth C. Kinney Elementary School  
P.S. 91 – Richard Awkright School

Oceanside School 9E – Boardman Elementary School  
John Pearl Elementary School  
Francis J. O'Neill Elementary School  
Rushmore Avenue School  
Seaford Harbor Elementary School  
P.S. 41Q – Crocheron  
P.S. 115Q – James J Ambrose  
P.S. 22 - The Thomas Jefferson School  
P.S. 938  
Glen Head Elementary School  
P.S. 209Q – The Clearview Gardens School  
Helen B. Duffield Elementary School  
Thomas J. Lahey Elementary  
P.S. 94Q Little Neck  
P.S. 162 – The John Golden School  
P4 Queens at 213  
Frank J. Cannon Southeast Elementary School

Oceanside School #2 – Florence A Smith School  
Oceanside School #4 – South Oceanside Road Elementary  
Oceanside School #3 – Oaks Elementary School  
Nassakeag Elementary School  
Edna Louise Spear Elementary  
Grundy Avenue School  
Floral Park-Bellrose School  
St. Nicholas of Tolentine Catholic Academy  
P.S. 127 – Aerospace Science Magnet School  
John Lewis Childs School  
Bretton Woods Elementary School  
Oceanside School #8 – Fulton Avenue Elementary  
Francis F. Wilson Elementary School  
P.S. 054Q – Hillside  
Santapogue Elementary



## Floorball

Powered by Franklin, the New York Islanders Floorball program is an inclusive initiative designed to introduce students of all grades, skill levels, and abilities to the sport of hockey. Participating schools received a complimentary curriculum and brand-new Islanders-branded equipment, enabling them to incorporate floorball into physical education classes or after-school programs. This season, the program engaged over 25,000 students across 71 schools on Long Island and across Westchester, Connecticut, and various New York boroughs.

## Participating Schools

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| Cayuga Elementary                      | The Gifford School P37R @PS32                                   |
| P.S. 289 – The George V. Brower School | Calhoun High School   |
| Academy of the City Middle School      | P.S. 376 – Delisa Rincon de Gautier                             |
| Bellmore JFK High School               | P.S. 305Q – Learners and Leaders                                |
| Holy Child Jesus Catholic Academy      | P.S. 376Q   |
| P.S. K225 – The Eileen E. Zaglin       | P.S. 173Q – Fresh Meadows                                       |
| Cherokee Street Elementary School      | The Summit School   |
| Oceanside Middle School                | Harborfields High School  |
| PS/MS 95 – The Sheila Mencher School   | Boyle Road Elementary School                                    |
| Accompsett Elementary School           | North Middle School   |
| Connolly Elementary School             | Brentwood South Middle School                                   |
| Our Lady of Lourdest                   | KT Murphy Elementary  |
| Jackson Ave School                     | P.S. 129 – John H. Finley                                       |
| Bridgehampton School                   | M.S. 127 – The Castle Hill Middle School                        |
| Center Moriches High School            | St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Academy                          |
| Center Moriches Middle School          | Oquenock Elementary   |
| Clayton Huey Elementary School         | Wantagh High School   |
| JFK Intermediate School                | Davenport Ridge Elementary                                      |
| Burr Elementary School                 | Jeffery Ratner Robert Seaman Elementary                         |
| The Emerson School                     | Helen B. Duffield   |
| P.S. 81 – Robert J. Christenson        | Seaman Neck Middle School                                       |
| P.S. 104 – The Bays Water School       | Harbor Country Day School                                       |
| P.S. 121Q                              | P.S. 10 – Magnet School of Math, Science<br>& Design Technology |
| P.S. 414 – Brooklyn Arbor School       | Shelton Intermediate School                                     |
| P.S. 370K – Jim Thorpe School          | P.S.254 – The Dag Hammarskjold School                           |
| P.S. 53K @ Spring Creek                | Empower Lower Charter School                                    |
| Grand Ave. Middle School               | Jerusalem Ave. School   |
| Mephram High School                    | P233Q @ Metro   |
| Centre Ave. School                     | 371K - Lillian L. Rashkis High School                           |
| Rhame Ave. School                      | Port Chester Middle School                                      |
| Floral Park – Bellerose School         | P.S. 103 – The Hector Fontanez School                           |
| Merrick Ave Middle School              | P.S. 145 – The Bloomingdale School                              |
| Wenonah Elementary                     | Forest Ave. School  |
| Riley Ave School                       | P.S. 162 – The John Golden School                               |
| Frank P. Long Intermediate School      |   |
| Bellport High School                   |   |



**Teacher of the Month**

Teaming up with NFP, the New York Islanders honored seven teachers who have made a positive impact on their students. The Islanders value the crucial role educators play in shaping the future and are committed to celebrating their dedication. Each recognized teacher received two (2) complimentary tickets to a designated home game, a personalized Islanders jersey, and recognition across multiple social media channels.

- November: Nicole Taormina, Librarian
- December: Jennifer Buck, 6th Grade Teacher
- January: Gustavo Escobar, Special Education Teacher
- February: Christine Klaus, 4th Grade Teacher
- March: Michael Ciampi, 11th Grade US History Teacher
- April: Sasha Roopchand, Physical Education and Health
- May: Melissa Hayden, Engineering Teacher



**Everfi Future Goals**

The New York Islanders, NHL, and NHLPA collaborate with EverFi to administer the "Future GOALS" program. This annual initiative provides virtual interactive educational opportunities to schools, utilizing the game of hockey as a platform to teach STEM-related topics. This season, more than 75 schools throughout New York and Connecticut participated in this impactful program.



**Future Goals Day at UBS Arena**

As a reward for participating in the EverFi Future GOALS program the New York Islanders hosted over 300 students from various Long Island and Brooklyn schools to attend a workshop at UBS Arena to learn how various departments operate and put their STEM knowledge to the test.



**Reading Leaders**

During the spring and summer, the New York Islanders provide families with a free reading program. Each student receives a personalized registration to log their reading minutes. Students who read more than 400 and 800 minutes are eligible to win New York Islanders prizes, including autographed memorabilia. In the summer of 2023, over 850 students took part in the program. As a reward, each student received two (2) complimentary tickets to a preseason New York Islanders home game.



# ***MILITARY & FIRST RESPONDERS APPRECIATION***





**106th Rescue Wing**

In September, Sparky and Nylisles visited the 106th Rescue Wing in eastern Long Island, spending the day on base with National Guard members. The mascots engaged in activities, took photos, and distributed military-themed items to honor and support those stationed at the base.



**Military Baby Shower**

The New York Islanders Children's Foundation, in partnership with Operation Shower and Ryan Tax, LLC., hosted the fourth annual Military Baby Shower at UBS Arena. This season, 25 expectant and new mothers enjoyed a day filled with food, games, and gifts. Each mother received essential items for their babies, including a Diaper Genie diaper pail, Hatch Baby Sound Machine, Delta Children Crib, and more.



**Ford Built Tough Military Car Tribute**

Ford, in collaboration with the New York Islanders and the Islanders Children's Foundation, continues to honor service members, veterans, and their families. Each season, one deserving military member is awarded a brand-new Ford truck. This season, Master Gunnery Sergeant Pasquale Foresta was the recipient of this prestigious award.



**FDNY vs NYPD Game**

On April 20, UBS Arena hosted the 30th annual FDNY vs. NYPD ice hockey game for the third consecutive season, with proceeds from the sold-out event benefiting local first responder groups. The game included tributes to fallen first responders, and the 50/50 raffle raised over \$29,000 in support of Collin's Joy Project, FDNY Burn Center, and Friends of Firefighters.



## Ford Military Hero of the Game

The Islanders and Ford proudly recognize military personnel who have served or are currently serving our country. Throughout the season, the Islanders honored a military service member at each home game with an in-game ceremony, customized jersey, and VIP tickets.

## Honored during the 2023-24 Season

Joseph Tuzzolino  
Joseph Luparello  
Brian Hammel  
Tom Hickey  
Charles Valdes  
David Hungerford  
Erine Kozee  
Fred Kapp  
Kevin Reilly  
Desander Mas  
Frank Morrone  
Cyril Macdowall

Brian Rickles  
Jack Parente  
Michael Chelune  
James Sarosy  
Raymond Le Claire  
Kal Mitt  
Aramis Santiago  
James Ferguson  
Neal Weisbrod  
Ramses Credas  
Anthony Russo  
Joel Mills

Robert Slattery  
William Green  
Gaincarlos Gallego  
James Cruickshank  
Arthur Grabiner  
Matthew Schmidt  
Agata Rucz & Andrew Litecky  
Gary Stannish  
Kathleen Mahoney  
Christine Test  
Vito Sementilli  
Christian Pettinato

Thomas Joy  
ToniAnn Valdner  
Rudy Marsicano  
John Donald  
Anthony Sgroia  
Matt Gammon  
Louis Pinto  
William Flaherty  
Edward Maher

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# ***ISLANDERS AMBASSADORS***







## Hospital Visits

Islanders players visited several hospitals across the Long Island and Metro NY communities to spend quality time with patients and personally deliver holiday gifts. This team-wide initiative brought smiles and holiday cheer as players interacted with children and expressed gratitude to hospital staff throughout the day.



## Player Programs



### Anders Lee Jam Kancer in the Kan Event & Ticket Program

On September 16th, Islanders players rallied to support captain Anders Lee at his annual Jam Cancer in the Kan event, held at Northwell Health Ice Center on Long Island. The sold-out event raised over \$156,000, benefiting families affected by cancer.

Throughout the 2023-24 season, Anders Lee personally hosted multiple families facing challenging times at Islanders home games. He generously covered the costs associated with their attendance and took time after each game to meet and converse with each family he hosted.



### Kyle Palmieri's Squad 21

The Kyle Palmieri Foundation honors those who have served our country through the Squad 21 military recognition program. Active and veteran service members are invited to attend New York Islanders home games free of charge. Kyle Palmieri hosts these groups, dedicating time after games to sign autographs and meet with Squad 21 recipients.

## Player Programs



### Evening with the Team

In March, the entire Islanders team gathered for a special event with their Season Ticket Members. The evening featured a Q&A panel with the team, complimentary food and beverages, and gifts for attendees. As fans left the event, they received autographed team photos, and young fans were delighted with game-used memorabilia. It was an enjoyable and memorable experience for everyone in attendance.

### Player Military Tickets

This season, Islanders players assisted military members and their families by purchasing tickets to various New York Islanders home games. With the team's support, over 100 individuals were able to attend games, showing appreciation for their service and sacrifice.



### Matt Martin Foundation

Islanders forward Matt Martin continues to make a difference in the community through his foundation, which supports various causes year-round. The foundation hosts events and programs that engage fans of all ages in supporting Matt's mission.

Matt Martin organized several successful fundraisers in 2023, including a poker tournament that raised over \$350,000. He also hosted a summer camp where youth hockey players learned from Matt and his teammates.

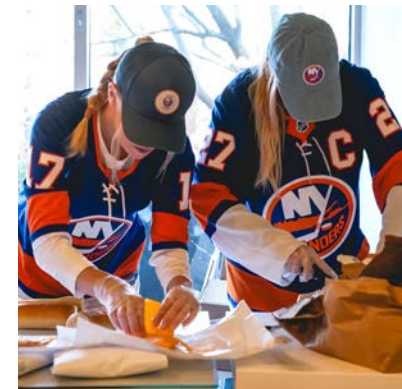


## Islanders Wives Group

The significant others of Islanders players actively participate in community initiatives alongside the players. Each season, this group engages deeply in fundraising and volunteering efforts, including support for in-game auctions and ICF charity events. Throughout this season, they volunteered consistently to aid various causes.



Holiday Toy Shopping



Ronald McDonald House



Military Baby Shower



Alumni

Alumni at Games



Eric Cairns, Defense, 1998-2004



Trevor Gillies, Forward, 2009-12



Bob Nystrom, Forward, 1972-1986



**Alumni Weekend**  
The New York Islanders upheld their tradition of honoring the franchise's storied history with this season's annual Alumni Weekend. Over 50 alumni and their families gathered for a memorable weekend in New York. Festivities commenced with a dinner at the Hard Rock Hotel, followed by a day of activities at The Park at UBS Arena on Saturday. The highlight of the weekend was cheering on the Islanders at UBS Arena as they faced off against the Florida Panthers. The weekend concluded with a special alumni game, where former players from both the Islanders and Rangers took to the ice for a friendly match-up.



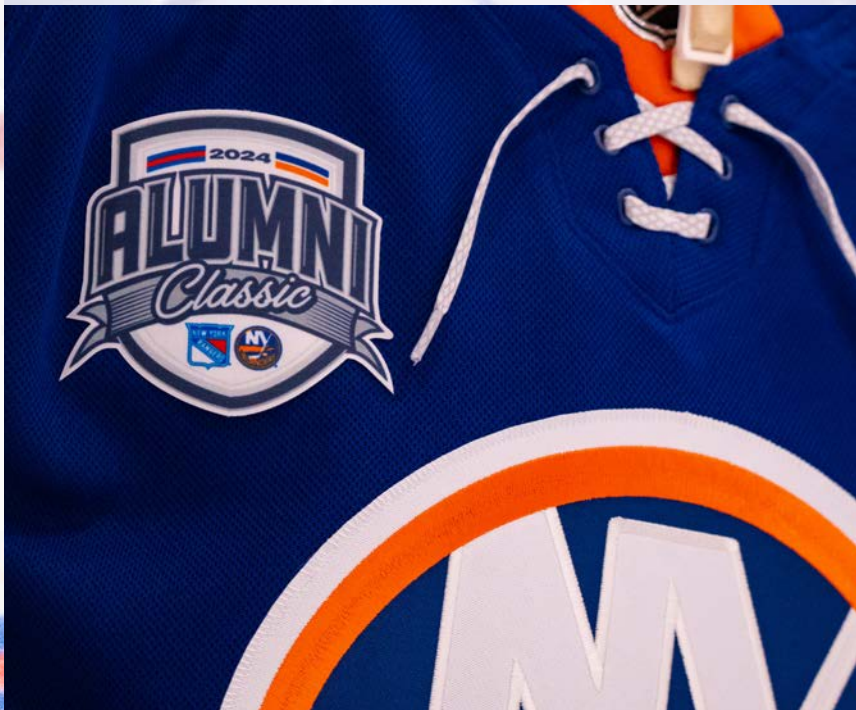
**"We've been having fun in a couple days, spending time together. With the younger guys and older guys, it'll be fun to hit the ice with them."**

Pierre Turgeon

Center, 1991-95

**Alumni Classic**

The unforgettable alumni weekend culminated with the New York Islanders alumni squaring off against the New York Rangers alumni in Sunday's Alumni Classic, presented by Northwell Health. Former Islanders captain Mark Streit and former Rangers captain Adam Graves joined Northwell Health CEO Michael Dowling for a pregame ceremony where a \$50,000 check was presented to Northwell Health. The friendly scrimmage provided an entertaining afternoon for the sold-out crowd of 1,500 at Northwell Health Center, who enthusiastically cheered on their favorite players, all in support of a charitable cause.







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***SUSTAINABILITY***



# BETTER TOM

UBS ARENA WORKS CLOSELY WITH WORLD-CLASS SUSTAINABILITY



## POWER & ENERGY

The arena uses occupancy sensor technology to ensure the building is off when unused. The arena is lit 100% LED and appliances within the building are Energy Star Certified. UBS Arena uses electric vehicle shuttles and electric Olympia ice resurfacing machines.



## PLASTIC, RECYCLE & WASTE

As part of UBS Arena's efforts to achieve zero waste by the end of 2024, all food and beverage sold here are either compostable or recyclable. We offer only two vending machine facing locations for recycling & composting, working closely with our vendor, Winters Bros, to support our composting and recycling efforts.

the building concessionaire, Delaware North, throughout the venue is distributed to local vendors for events, like St. John's United Methodist Church Stream.

## Sustainability

Sustainability at UBS Arena is guided by three core focus areas:

### 1. Cultivating Community:

We foster community growth through shared experiences, nurturing a commitment to positive change.

### 2. Preserving Our Planet:

We prioritize the future of our planet by making strategic investments in sustainable operations.

### 3. Leading by Example:

We set pioneering sustainability standards that inspire our industry and cultivate meaningful partnerships.

UBS Arena has been awarded LEED Green Building Certification, incorporating the following features to minimize its environmental impact:

- LED lighting and heat recovery technology
- Dedicated recycling stations throughout the arena
- Low-flush and low-flow fixtures to reduce indoor water use
- Use of environmentally friendly cleaning products
- Reduction of greenhouse gas emissions facilitated by proximity to local transit services
- Integration of shaded trees and landscape design to promote healthy ecosystem habits

Hunger Lives Here. So Does Hope.

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## Food Recovery

As the New York Islanders celebrated their third season at UBS Arena the commitment to reducing food waste is still at the forefront. New York Islanders and UBS Arena partnered with Rock N Wrap It Up to distribute more than 5,000 pounds of food to local food pantries and soup kitchens.

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# ***SPECIAL EVENTS***





Stadium Series  
February 18, 2024

# STADIUM SERIES NEW JERSEY 2024

## Legacy Project

In conjunction with the 2024 Navy Federal Credit Union NHL Stadium Series, the New York Islanders, Islanders Children's Foundation, and NHL have pledged to enhance accessibility to hockey for all fans with a \$160,000 donation. Special Olympics New York, Long Island Rough Riders (sled hockey), and Long Island Blues (special hockey) will benefit from a multi-year financial commitment aimed at expanding opportunities and resources for special needs hockey players. The Islanders will also provide ice time at The Park at UBS Arena to further facilitate access to the sport. This initiative aims to lower barriers to participation and ensure hockey is inclusive for everyone.



# Additional Content



Players with First Responders



Fan Fest



Auxiliary Street Rinks



# IX

# *FAN DEVELOPMENT*







**Islanders Community Events Tour**

The Islanders Community Events (I.C.E.) tour was exceptionally busy and impactful this season, participating in more than 75 events spanning Long Island, Metro New York, and Connecticut. This extensive outreach effort aims to raise awareness of the Islanders brand and foster meaningful connections within the community. The interactive tour features engaging activities such as an obstacle course, a slapshot booth, and a moon bounce, providing opportunities for community members of all ages to actively participate and enjoy memorable experiences with the Islanders organization. These events serve as a cornerstone of the team's commitment to building strong community relationships and promoting a love for hockey across the community.



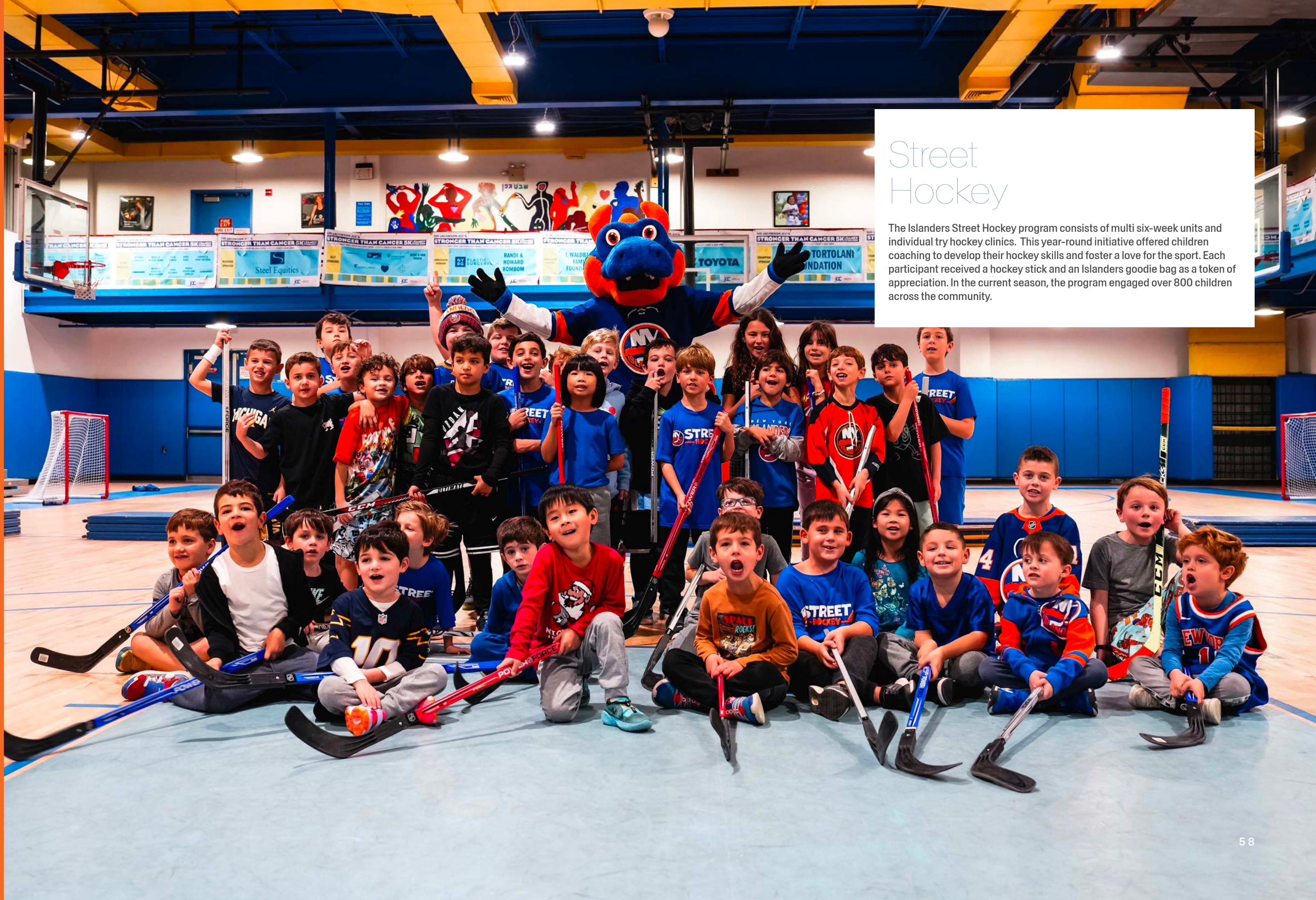
**First Game Certificates**

Islanders fans attending their first game at UBS Arena could pick up their "First Game Certificate" to commemorate the occasion. As an extra incentive, fans who completed a short survey went home with an exclusive "First Game Pin." Over 3,500 certificates and 1,800 pins were distributed throughout the season.



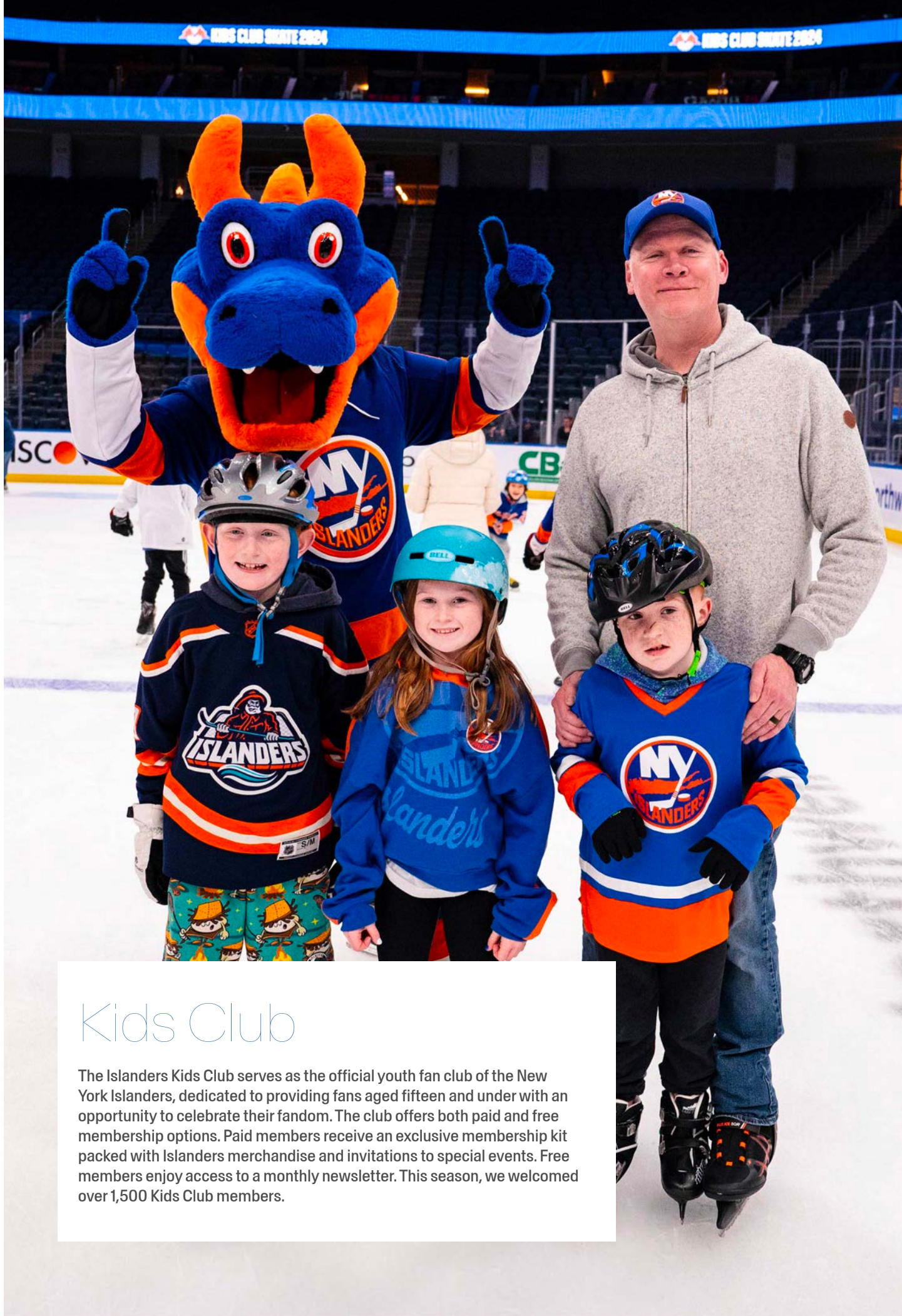
**Lighthouse Limo**

The Lighthouse Limousine took center stage during the intermissions of Islanders home games. Young fans received the opportunity to take a ride around the ice that their favorite players skate on.



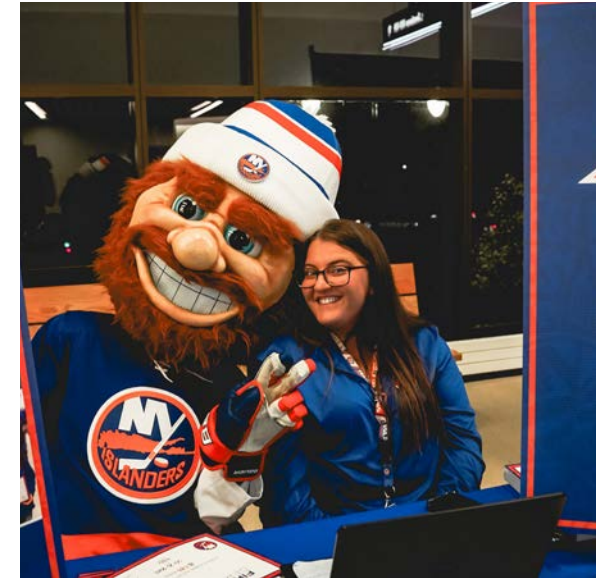
## Street Hockey

The Islanders Street Hockey program consists of multi six-week units and individual try hockey clinics. This year-round initiative offered children coaching to develop their hockey skills and foster a love for the sport. Each participant received a hockey stick and an Islanders goodie bag as a token of appreciation. In the current season, the program engaged over 800 children across the community.



## Kids Club

The Islanders Kids Club serves as the official youth fan club of the New York Islanders, dedicated to providing fans aged fifteen and under with an opportunity to celebrate their fandom. The club offers both paid and free membership options. Paid members receive an exclusive membership kit packed with Islanders merchandise and invitations to special events. Free members enjoy access to a monthly newsletter. This season, we welcomed over 1,500 Kids Club members.



### Kids Club Check-In

This season, the New York Islanders introduced a game check-in process to incentivize Kids Club members. Members had the chance to earn various prizes based on their attendance at games. More than 50 kids who checked in to 10 or more games received an autographed player photo. Over 25 kids attended more than 20 games and were rewarded with a ride on the Lighthouse Limo. Additionally, 12 dedicated members who attended 40 or more games earned a team-autographed souvenir stick as a special recognition of their commitment and support.



### Skate & Watch Party

Slapshot Kids Club members were treated to an exclusive ice skating event at UBS Arena. Sparky and Nysesles joined the festivities as more than 150 members enjoyed an open skate session on the ice. For those who preferred not to skate, members had the option to watch the New York Islanders face off against the Pittsburgh Penguins on the arena's scoreboard.



### Spooktacular

The Kids Club kicked off alongside the annual Sparky's Halloween Spooktacular. This free event offered a safe and enjoyable trick-or-treating experience for local children in the community. More than 450 children participated, enjoying opportunities to take photos with Sparky, receiving allergy-friendly treats and candy, and taking home Islanders-themed goodies.



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***DIVERSITY, EQUITY  
& INCLUSION***



## Black History and Hispanic Heritage



### Street Clinics

As the New York Islanders strive to grow the game over 150 children participated in free street hockey clinics celebrating Hispanic Heritage and Black History Month. For many participants, this was their first introduction to the sport.



### Cultural Patch Program

The Cultural Inspirations Patch Program engaged over 342 fifth-grade students from the Elmont, Hempstead, and Uniondale school districts in creating jersey patches that celebrate diverse cultures worldwide. Seven designs were selected to be produced as patches, while eight designs became stickers. Each school received patches and stickers to sell, with proceeds benefiting charities of their choice. Islanders fans had the opportunity to purchase these patches and stickers through the Isles Lab Team Store, with all proceeds supporting charitable causes. Finalists were honored at a New York Islanders home game for their creative contributions to the program.



### Elmont School District Adopt-A-Family & Back to School Drive

More than 7,000 school supplies were donated to local Nassau and Queens students prior to the start of the 23-24 school year to help scholars in need.

The UBS Arena and Islanders employee teams partnered up to adopt seven families from the Elmont Union Free School District during the holiday season. The families were thankful for the support during the special time of year.



## United Hockey Mobile Tour

In March, the Islanders welcomed the NHL's United by Hockey Mobile tour to UBS Arena. This mobile museum, which travels to various NHL cities, celebrates diversity and inclusion across the sport and hockey industry. During its visit, over 700 individuals engaged with the United By Hockey Mobile Tour, including participants in the March 15 school tour and attendees at the March 16 New York Islanders home game.

## Women in Sports



### Female Employees Recognition

Female employees from the New York Islanders and UBS Arena gathered on the ice for a team photo in celebration of Women's History Month in Marc.



### Panel Event

Ahead of the March 6 New York Islanders home game, hundreds attended the fourth annual panel sponsored by Northwell Health. The event featured insights from female doctors, athletes, and business leaders, aimed at empowering women to recognize their value and purpose in any environment.



### Girls Street Hockey Clinic

Over 100 local girls participated in a free Street Hockey session led by U.S. Olympians Erika Lawler and Shelly Picard. The one-hour clinic included fundamental hockey skills training and concluded with a Q&A session with Lawler and Picard, inspiring the next generation of female hockey players.



**Disability Awareness Week**

Throughout the 2023-24 season, the New York Islanders continued their commitment to disability awareness by hosting various organizations through the Hockey With A Heart program. This initiative spotlighted groups such as CAMP Anchor, Special Olympics, Limb Kind, Guide Dog Foundation, Olive Osmond Hearing Fund, and the Mill Neck Foundation, highlighting their contributions to serving disabled individuals.

Disability Acceptance



**Autism Acceptance**

The New York Islanders observed World Autism Day by honoring three Autism charities during their Autism Acceptance game at UBS Arena. Popcorn for the People, Nassau/Suffolk Autism Society of America, and Pop Earth were recognized for their dedication to supporting and providing services for individuals with Autism.



**Street Hockey/Employee Game at Viscardi**

To commemorate Disability Awareness Month, the New York Islanders partnered with Special Olympics to organize a free Street Hockey clinic for their athletes. More than 50 Special Olympic athletes participated in the session. During the summer, the Islanders' staff competed against Viscardi School alumni in a wheelchair hockey game. Despite the Islanders' staff efforts, the Viscardi Center alumni emerged victorious.



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***THE PARK  
AT UBS ARENA***





## The Park at UBS Arena

In December 2023, Northwell presented The Park at UBS Arena, a vibrant destination catering to both New York Islanders fans and the local community. The Park offers a wide range of attractions including outdoor skating, mini golf, a beer garden, and interactive games suitable for families. Throughout its debut season, The Park featured events such as Try Hockey for Free sessions, skating clinics, learn-to-play programs, pond hockey tournaments, and various engaging activities, providing a dynamic and enjoyable experience for visitors of all ages.





# XII

# ***AMATEUR HOCKEY DEVELOPMENT***





## Amateur Hockey Development

### Purpose/ History

Amateur hockey development has been a major focus of the Islanders since the club's inception in 1972. The Islanders are committed to fostering and expanding youth involvement in the sport of hockey within local, national and international arenas. While the primary goal has been to grow the game of hockey on Long Island and in the New York Metropolitan area, the team also strives to grow each individual hockey player to reach his or her full potential.

To make both of those things possible, the Islanders offer programs that have grown exponentially throughout the years. Today, programs are in place to show new fans what hockey is all about, including year-round clinics to teach kids of all ages the essential skills needed to play the game of hockey at their highest level. The team also unveiled Northwell Presents The Park at UBS Arena in December 2023, a space that introduced a sheet of ice for games and group skates into the community.

## Growing the Game



### Future Islanders Learn to Play

As part of the league-wide Learn to Play initiative, the Future Islanders program operated at 25 rink partner locations, offering boys and girls aged 5–9 an introduction to hockey. It serves as a steppingstone for first-time players interested in joining a house league. In the 2023-24 season, more than 1,200 children enrolled in the program.



### Islanders Youth Hockey Jamboree

The annual Jamboree spans a full day and includes cross-ice games for local mite teams. Last season, the Islanders organized four jamborees, accommodating youth of diverse hockey skills, including Learn To Play participants, mites, squirts, and girls in the U8, U10, and U14 categories. The events drew more than 500 participants from across Long Island, Queens, Brooklyn, Connecticut, and Manhattan.



### Try Hockey for Free and Hockey Across America

The Islanders actively support USA Hockey's initiative to expand the sport of hockey in the United States. This grassroots effort aims to introduce participants to the sport at no cost. As part of this initiative, the Islanders organize several Try Hockey for Free events throughout the season. In the 2023-24 season, six clinics were held at local rinks, including the rink at The Park at UBS Arena. Over 1,000 youth participated in these events, including 300 girls. Participants in these events received loaner equipment, Islanders promotional items, and professional instruction. The program is overseen by Islanders alumni members Arron Asham and Radek Martinek.



## Girls Hockey



### Islanders Girls Next Step Program

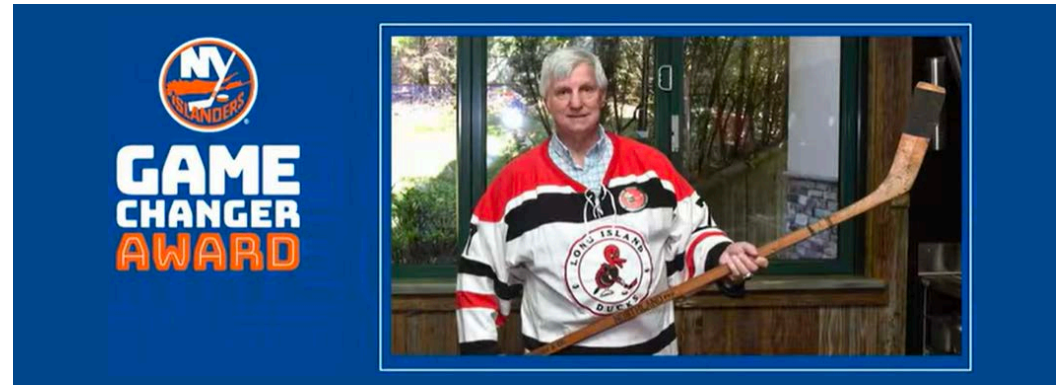
The Islanders Girls Next Step Program organized an introductory Learn to Play initiative at four rinks during the 2023-2024 season, attracting over 140 participants. The clinics were led by female hockey ambassadors, including LIU University Women players and former professional athletes Callie Hutchenson, Shelly Picard, and Kelly Nash. Special guest appearances were also made by alumni members Arron Asham and Radek Martinek.



### Islanders Girls Elite Program

The Islanders proudly endorse the Girls Elite program, a travel initiative aimed at fostering the development of female players through skill enhancement and preparing them for competition at prep school and collegiate levels. Based at Northwell Health Ice Center, the New York Islanders' practice facility, the program fielded teams at the 10U, 12U, 14U, and 16U levels during the recent season, with participation exceeding 100 girls.

# Hockey is for Everyone



## Game Changer Award

The Game Changer Award is given annually to individuals who have significantly enhanced the youth hockey experience either through their on-ice or off-ice contributions within the community. This year, the award was presented to Buzz Deschamps, who has positively influenced youth hockey in the Long Island community for more than four decades.



## Long Island Blues & Long Island RoughRiders

During the season, the Islanders collaborated with two local special hockey teams: the Long Island Blues and the Long Island RoughRiders Sled Hockey team. The Long Island Blues consists of children with autism and developmental disabilities, while the Long Island RoughRiders includes members from the disabled community, amputees, and wounded veterans. Both teams were honored recipients of the Stadium Series Legacy Grant for 2024.



## Warrior Hockey Team

The New York Islanders proudly collaborate with the Long Island Warriors Hockey Club, a recreational team dedicated to military veterans, active military, and reserve members. Established to foster community engagement and provide camaraderie among veterans transitioning to civilian life, the program educates, trains, motivates, and supports individuals who have served in any branch of the Armed Forces. It also welcomes participants with physical or mental disabilities incurred during their service, offering an adaptive environment tailored to each athlete's abilities.

Beyond hockey, the program aims to raise awareness about the challenges veterans face and promote team building among participants and their families. It plays a vital role in boosting self-confidence and aiding veterans in reintegrating into a successful lifestyle both within and beyond the hockey community. Currently, the program boasts over 100 participants spread across three teams at varying levels of play.

Each season, the Islanders host the Long Island Warrior Classic at Northwell Health Ice Center, bringing together warrior teams from around the world, including various U.S. states such as Colorado and the East Coast (is there another state we can call out specifically instead of East Coast), as well as international teams from countries like Germany.



### Play it Forward

In partnership with Northwell Health, the Play It Forward program strives to ensure hockey is accessible to all. Now in its second year, the program successfully enrolled over 80 children from the Freeport Elementary School District in a four-week session. Each year, three children are awarded scholarships covering all costs to play hockey for three years. Beyond hockey skills, the program emphasizes essential life skills that contribute to success both on and off the ice. Participants learn about teamwork, collaboration, nutrition, fitness, and are exposed to potential career paths. As the program enters its second full season, its initial participants are transitioning into house league play, marking a significant milestone.



### 430ak Partnership

For the 2023-24 season, the Islanders and UBS continued their collaboration to enhance diversity in hockey through a \$1 million commitment over five years with the 430ak Foundation. This nonprofit supports minority and underprivileged youth hockey players of all ages across the New York Metropolitan Area.

Islanders staff, alumni, 430ak personnel, and members of the UBS hockey team join forces to conduct clinics and offer enriching opportunities that foster both hockey skills and educational development among participants. The partnership, initiated in August 2021, extends 430ak's efforts by providing transportation, equipment, ice time, funding for travel hockey leagues and tournaments, and essential mentorship programs. Currently, the program engages over 150 children.





## International Hockey



### Islanders Quebec Team

Comprised of 11 and 12-year-old hockey players from Long Island, New Jersey, Connecticut, New Hampshire, and New York City, this year's Quebec team boasted the most diverse representation in its history. The team competes annually in the prestigious Quebec International Pee-Wee Hockey Tournament, often referred to as the "World Championship of Pee-Wee Hockey," held every February. This tournament is widely recognized as the premier event in minor hockey worldwide, drawing over 2,300 young players from more than 16 countries to Quebec each year.

Participating in this tournament and representing the New York Islanders is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. This year, the team played their inaugural game against the Quebec Remparts in front of a crowd exceeding 11,000 enthusiastic fans.



### Charles B. Wang Hope Cup

The Charles B Wang Hope Cup marked its 14th year with teams hailing from Canada, Japan, Italy, Slovakia, and the United States. This week-long tournament brings together 10 and 11-year-olds to New York City, where they demonstrate their skills, compete on the ice, forge lasting memories, and explore one of the nation's most iconic cities. The Northshore Winter Club from Burnaby claimed the championship this season.



### Local Rink Network

The Islanders endorse all facilities committed to expanding hockey and ice-skating participation. By working together, more community members have the chance to experience and pursue hockey at competitive levels. The Islanders expanded their rink partnership during the 2023-24 season by adding six new partner facilities. These partners include:

Ice Works Skating Complex - Syosset, NY  
 Northwell Health Ice Center - East Meadow, NY  
 L.I.C. Ice - Queens, NY  
 City Ice Pavilion - Queens, NY  
 Port Washington - Port Washington, NY  
 Iceland - New Hyde Park, NY  
 Clark Gillies Ice Arena - Dix Hills, NY  
 Aviator Sports and Events Center - Brooklyn, NY  
 Newbridge Arena - Bellmore, NY  
 Cantiague Park - Hicksville, NY  
 Oyster Bay Skating Center - Bethpage, NY

The Rinx - Hauppauge, NY  
 Lakeside Prospect Park - Brooklyn, NY  
 Syosset-Woodbury - Syosset, NY  
 Majorie Post - Massapequa Park, NY  
 World Ice Arena - Queens, NY  
 The Rinx at Harborfront Park - Port Jefferson, NY  
 Christopher Morley Park - Roslyn, NY  
 Grant Park Skating Rink - Hewlett, NY  
 Southampton Ice Rink - Southampton, NY  
 The Park at UBS - Elmont, NY  
 The Rink at Manhattan West - New York, NY

## Hockey Affiliates



### P.A.L. Junior Islanders

In 2013, the New York Islanders joined forces with Pride in Athletics for Life (P.A.L.) Hockey, a non-profit amateur hockey organization. This collaboration led to the establishment of the P.A.L. Junior Islanders Hockey Club, which features teams across six levels: mite, squirt, pee-wee, bantam, midget, and junior. The Islanders and P.A.L. collaborate on various fronts including coach and player development, hockey expertise, marketing, promotions, and public relations. During the 2023-24 season, over 450 hockey players took part in the program.



### New York Islanders High School Hockey League

The New York Islanders High School Hockey League (operating as High School Hockey League of Nassau County, aka HSHLNC) was established in 1995 as a not for profit organization that works with young men and women in Middle School through High School to foster and promote, honesty, integrity, good sportsmanship, good fellowship, self-discipline, fairness, self-reliance, teamwork, self-confidence, leadership skills, and positive decision making through the sport of ice hockey.

## In-Game Experiences



### Sparky's Aces, Mites on Ice

Organized by the group sales department, the Sparky's Aces program offers youth teams at the mite/mini-mite and squirt levels the chance to skate during intermission at an Islanders game. In addition to skating on the ice, these teams and their families and friends also get to enjoy watching the Islanders play at the arena. The program attracted teams from various regions including upstate New York, Nassau County, Suffolk County, Brooklyn, Queens, Manhattan, and New Jersey. In total, 35 teams comprising over 770 players participated in the program.



### Post Game Skates at UBS Arena

Provides amateur hockey teams spanning youth, high school, junior, college, and men's leagues the chance to play either before or after an Islanders game. Participating teams enjoy a professional hockey experience, complete with scoreboard and PA announcements, in-game music, access to professional locker rooms, and more. Last season, we hosted 31 postgame skates involving 16 different groups.



### Amateur Hockey Update supported by UBS

During every home game, the New York Islanders and UBS featured an amateur hockey player from the community with an in-person interview. The highlighted individual also received complimentary tickets to attend the game. Throughout the season, this program spotlighted over 40 hockey players within the community.

## The Northwell Park at UBS Arena Activations



### Pond Hockey Tournaments

The Islanders' new park experience featured 3-on-3 hockey tournaments open to all age groups, with each team comprising 6-8 players. Last season, over 300 players participated in these tournaments at The Park. The brackets encompassed players of various skill levels, including U8, U10, U12, and adults. Special events tailored for First Responders and female players were also included.



### Public Skates

The Islanders provided public skating sessions before select UBS Arena events and game days. Each session lasted 90 minutes directly preceding the event, with skates available for rent in various sizes. Throughout the 2024-25 season, more than 4,000 individuals enjoyed skating on the ice.



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DONATIONS***



## In-Kind Donations

The Islanders are always ready to support local charities efforts in the community. Throughout the year, charitable groups and not-for-profit organizations are invited to request donations from the Islanders to support fundraising events. The Islanders provided more than \$100K worth of Islanders memorabilia to support local organizations throughout the course of the 22-23 season.

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 Big Brothers-Big Sister of Rockland County Inc.  
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 CCFA  
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