



# Make Your Mark Grant 2023 Recipients

## Joshua Brown

First Tee – Greater Philadelphia

Joshua volunteered time as a respite Alzheimer's Caregiver with "It Takes a Village", providing scheduled and on-call care for a 96 year old WWII veteran of the US Marine Corp. He took his role seriously and completed training via the Caregiver's Video Series from UCLA's Alzheimer's and Dementia Care Program as well as resources from The Alzheimer's Association and SarahCare. He applied key commitments such as growing through challenge and building positive self-identity as a caregiver.

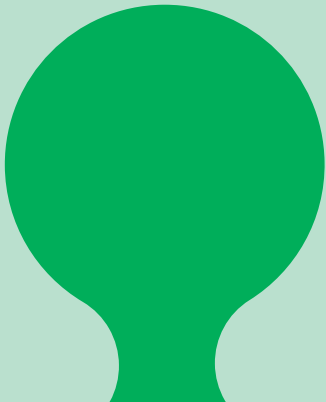


## Katelyn Chan

First Tee – Silicon Valley

Katelyn contributed to two volunteer initiatives. At Plateful, an organization that reduces food waste collecting leftover food from restaurants and delivers to homeless shelters and families in need, Katelyn stepped out of her comfort zone and offered graphic design services to design a logo for its volunteer work which was turned into t-shirts for the organization to wear during food pickups and drop-offs. Katelyn also taught the organization First Tee's Good-Better-How technique as a method of debriefing their weekly volunteer efforts. With ArtReach, a school organization that collaborates with various nonprofits weekly to donate crafts, such as care packages, handwarmers, and blankets to local homeless shelters, Katelyn took on a leadership role with to increase membership, support fundraising, and utilized confidence and goal setting strategies she gained from First Tee to help the club achieve its goals.





## **Margaret Kerr**

### **First Tee – Greater Houston**

Margaret admired the older participants at First Tee and looked up to them as mentors. She wanted to start a local scholarship at her Chapter to offer money to these impactful graduating seniors who had inspired her. She planned and organized the Scholarship Scramble Tournament to help raise funds for this new scholarship program, which hosted 59 players and raised just shy of \$3,000 in its first year. Her goal is to continue to host this Scholarship Scramble annually and help her Chapter give back to its participants.



## **Bradley Lardie**

### **First Tee – West Michigan**

Bradley volunteered with the Grand Rapids Griffins Youth Foundation to support a blind 8 year old boy, Tryson, to play hockey. Bradley trained with Tryson as a personal guide on the ice and worked exclusively with him on drills enabling him to continue playing hockey. This past season Tryson was able to play solo on the ice while Bradley coached him from the side. The game of hockey was made inclusive for Tryson because of Bradley's efforts.



## **Helena Winterberg**

### **First Tee – Greater Charlotte**

Helena organized a Book Collection project for "Pages to Par" book donation initiative to supply books to classrooms and empower students with access to reading materials. Designed a flyer, collection donations of money and books, and was able to donate over 700 books to local schools in the community, while sharing more about First Tee.

