# Sbs<sup>+</sup> Swiss Benevolent Society of New York



# 2022 Annual Report

The Swiss Benevolent Society of New York (SBS) is the most significant Swiss charitable organization in the New York, New Jersey and Connecticut tri-state area. We are a registered public 501(c)(3) not-for-profit and non-religious organization and we've helped individuals, families and our Swiss community achieve positive change for over 190 years.

We help people of all ages live more active, independent, safer, healthier and happier lives through social service programs. We assist students and their families with scholarship programs and organize regular social events for our members.



## **Mission Statement**

The objectives of the Swiss Benevolent Society of New York are charitable, and focus on offering pecuniary and other relief to qualified persons, including but not limited to natives of Switzerland or of Swiss origin, who are in the United States and in need of assistance. (Restated Certificate of Incorporation, 1971)

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## President's Report



Dear Members and Friends of the Swiss Benevolent Society of New York:

Revised: As we concluded 2022, it is only befitting to express my heartfelt gratitude to all our donors, board members, and, in particular, to acknowledge the dedication of our staff and our volunteers. 2022 had been a challenging year, with the lingering impact of the COVID-19 pandemic affecting our community and communities worldwide. Despite the difficulties, the Swiss Benevolent Society of New York (SBS) remained resilient, continuing its social services programs and student scholarships to individuals who have found themselves in even greater need than ever.

During the summer of 2022, the SBS relocated its offices from 500 Fifth Avenue to the Graybar Building, adjacent to Grand Central. In part, the move was a strategic one, bringing significant financial savings, ease of access, and technology, which played a crucial role in supporting our operations, our social workers, and various committees.

Looking back on the pandemic, our journey has been truly remarkable too. With new in-person and online events, and the social service outreach programs introduced early on, the SBS was able to bring a much-needed sense of normalcy to the lives of many of our members and clients. Our regional in-person events held throughout Manhattan, Queens, Long Island, Westchester, and New Jersey were well-attended, and many of the attendees expressed that these interactions contributed to their better overall sense of well-being.

Our scholarship programs continued to draw strong interest. The scholarship committee awarded 65 scholarships for the academic year 2022/23, amounting to \$254,000. A comprehensive account of this is provided in our report from the Scholarship Committee.

Thanks to the hard work and dedication of our Board of Directors, staff, and volunteers, we were able to continue our many programs that positively impact so many lives. These achievements would not have been possible without the unwavering support of you, our members. Your generosity and commitment to our organization have been truly inspiring. Thank you.

As we forge ahead, we are confident that we will be able to maintain our momentum and even expand our programs and activities to reach an even larger number of Swiss individuals and friends of the Swiss community in our area.

We thank you for your continued support of the Swiss Benevolent Society of New York. Together, through fulfilling the SBS' mission, we make a real difference in the lives of our members and the Swiss community throughout the tri-state area, particularly those who need it the most.

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Johanna Reinhart, President



## 177<sup>th</sup> Annual Report

The 2022 Annual Meeting of the SBS was, of necessity, postponed due to restrictions imposed by the COVID pandemic. Although traditionally held in April, health and safety regulations did not allow for an in-person meeting this year. These are the 2022 reports by the Committee Chairs:

## Social Service Committee

Valerie Wolfman, Chair

2022 began on a more hopeful note than the year before. This was due mostly to the waning of the COVID virus and the relative freedom that allowed us to open certain areas that had been closed to us from March 2020. However, from observation, long talks with clients and members, and acknowledging trends in the greater population, we were able to see that there was no going back to the exact place where we had started, but rather, we aimed to come up with a new, creative paradigm.

The center of our program for the homebound and/or physically, mentally or emotionally challenged has always been the "home visit." Due to restrictions set by the CDC for the safety and health of this population, and the social worker's well-being, home visits were banned for almost a year. As the space opened and social work was more able to make a visit with distancing and the use of masks, not every client welcomed such a visit out of caution and often, lingering fear. As the warmer weather approached, the possibility of meeting outdoors became available, but leaving one's home continued to be a challenge. Phone calls, FaceTime, and occasional Zoom meetings increased not just to clients, but also to all members feeling isolated, fearful, or depressed.

Mary Jo continued to host the Music Matinees on Zoom and although the turnout was variable, many of our "regulars" took advantage of being with other like-minded music lovers while staying in their own homes. This format brought some challenges to people who were beginners, but much to their credit, they rose to the occasion and were able to negotiate the technology, either by themselves or with help from friends or family. These "matinees" were interspersed with movie afternoons. Since movie theatres had been closed for a while, people were pleased to be able to see both older movies and those that were first-run via Netflix.

Toward the end of the year, a small group ventured out to small, live concerts at the Juilliard School and the with the Jupiter Symphony Chamber Players. This proved to be a turning point where people felt safe enough with protection set in place by the venues.

Elise continued with her popular telephone exercise class



The Juilliard School, New York City

given twice a week for an hour. Especially for the people who did not have or feel comfortable with technology, this was a boon to stay fit and to continue social relationships. Over time, meditation was added at the beginning of the sessions, and then music was chosen by one of the members of the group.

Our volunteer meeting, instead of being held in person, was held over Zoom this year. We also began to work out a plan for a Caregiving Program by discussing putting out a brochure. We have observed the stresses and challenges faced by both family caregivers and those who are hired professionally. In these stressful times, the feelings can be carried over to the caregiving relationship and we feel that we can provide education, support and understanding.

In October, we made our annual visit to the Oakwood Cemetery in Mt. Kisco at the Swiss plot. The work on the columbarium is nearing the end and a clearer picture can be



Oakwood Cemetery, Mt. Kisco, NY



had now. We continued our regional gatherings once a month at various venues, and during the nice weather we could even sit outside. We held our first southern New Jersey gathering for people that find it difficult to travel to NYC or northern New Jersey. We also attended the Swiss club meeting at Cedar Crest assisted living in New Jersey. It seems that many Swiss members are downsizing and moving into communities with more amenities and less upkeep. A Swiss National Day celebration was hosted by our Executive Director at his home in northern New Jersey for the New Jersey members. The larger SND celebration was held in Central Park at the Tavern on the Green and the SBS had a table with a raffle and Swiss imprinted tee shirts.

The Knitting for a Cause group delivered hats and scarves to a non-profit group called Hour Children and the SBS sponsored a "Learn about Switzerland Day" for the same children.



The SBS Knitting for a Cause Volunteers

There were a couple of tours sponsored by the SBS to visit assisted living facilities in Manhattan and Queens. People are starting to look ahead to plan for the future in case of infirmity and other issues going into older age.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Jo Motyka, MSW and Elise Karras, LMSW

## Scholarship Committee

Ruedi Greiner, Chair

For the scholastic year 2022/23 we have continued working remotely and the annual scholarship committee meetings took place again via a multi-hour zoom call.

Before sharing with you the information on the grants awarded, I would like to provide you with information on the various types of scholarships available. You might find this information helpful when talking with family members and friends who have children preparing for college.

#### **SBS Merit Scholarship**

The SBS Merit Scholarship, formerly known as the "Pellegrini Scholarship", is a partial tuition grant, which is based on merit alone (cumulative Grade Point Average (at least 3.0). It is awarded to full-time students (12 or more semester credits) at the post-secondary school level for vocational or undergraduate and graduate academic studies at a school, accredited by the U.S. Department of Education. SBS Merit Scholarships do not renew automatically but may be applied for each year.

SBS Merit Scholarships are paid directly to the recipients' schools in two installments, one at the beginning of the fall semester, the second one at the start of the spring semester, upon proof of enrollment by the school.

#### SBS Outstanding Scholastic Achievement (OSA) Award

This award may be granted to a college senior or graduate student who demonstrates sustained academic excellence (cumulative Grade Point Average at least 3.8) in a demanding study program at a school accredited by the U.S. Department of Education. The student must be enrolled as a full-time student with 12 or more semester credits. It is a one-time only award. The amount is paid in two installments to the recipient's school at the start of the fall and spring semesters upon proof of enrollment by the school.

#### **SBS Graduate Award**

SBS Graduate Awards, formerly known as "Zimmermann Scholarship", will be given to the graduate students with the highest cumulative Grade Point Average (3.8 minimum) enrolled at a school accredited by the U.S. Department of Education. The award is paid directly in two installments to the schools at the beginning of the fall and spring semesters upon proof of enrollment by the school.



#### **Medicus Student Exchange Scholarship**

This program provides partial financial support for U.S. residents at the junior, senior or graduate college level who have been accepted to study at a Swiss university or Federal Institute of Technology. The full amount of these grants is [aid upon proof of registration. This is a one-time only award.

## swissuniversities

Swiss students who wish to study in the United States may apply for this grant by contacting swissuniversities, Effingerstrasse 15, Postfach, 3000 Bern, Switzerland.

Here is the breakdown of the different grants that the scholarship committee created during our meetings as well as some additional details:

Awards	Number	USD
SBS Merit Scholarship	59	198,000
SBS Graduate Award	1	10,000
SBS OSA Award	2	16,000
Medicus	3	30,000
Total	65	254,000
Not qualified	10	

The management and handling of the application process were in the trusted hands of our Executive Director and our Executive Assistant Sandra Phillips and Administrative Assistant Sandra Ineichen.

On behalf of the Scholarship Committee, I would like to extend a big "Thank You" to them as the process of getting everything ready for the scholarship meeting takes a lot of effort and time. I am also very appreciative of all the hours my fellow committee members have put in preparing for our meeting.

The Swiss Benevolent Society of Philadelphia under the stewardship of their President Dolf Herger and the Maurice Rohrbach Fund led by Luciano Mueller support our scholarships financially and Dolf is also a member of the committee. We are very grateful for their continued support.

I also would like to thank you, the members of the SBS, for your continued support of our organization. Please let me know if you have any comments or suggestions.

## Development & Membership Committee

Johanna Reinhart, Chair

In 2022, donations experienced a notable decline due to several key factors. Amongst them was economic uncertainty, marked by significant stock market volatility and inflation eroded donor confidence and financial stability, leading to reduced charitable contributions—a scenario played out across the non-profit sector. This combined with factors such as post-pandemic charitable giving fatigue created a challenging environment for nonprofit organizations, leading to a decrease in donations in 2022.

Despite the many challenges, the SBS remained actively engaged with our clients, reaching out to people in need, and diligently planning regular events and activities for our members and friends of the SBS throughout 2022. Our dedicated staff and social services team continue to engage our community through new programs and activities that will appeal to a broader cross-section of our members.

On July 30th, we participated at the Swiss Society's Swiss National Day event held at Tavern on the Green in Central Park, and on August 1st a long-standing member hosted the SBS August 1st celebration in Garden City, on Long Island. Our Fifth Annual Swiss Hockey Night was held on October 22 at the Prudential Center in Newark, NJ. The event featured an exhilarating game between the New Jersey Devils vs. San Jose Sharks at the Prudential Center in Newark, NJ. Some of our lucky members participated in the High Five Tunnel greeting our fellow Swiss NHL league stars. 2022 culminated with multiple well-attended regional holiday luncheons spread across the tri-state area and a renewed outlook going into 2023.

Below are the audited numbers for 2022, with 2021 for comparison. The number of Life Memberships increased from 144 to 145 during this time.

	2022	2021
Donations/Contributions	\$69,406.50	\$118,029.00
Legacies	\$0.00	\$50,000.00
New Life Memberships	1	3

We thank our generous contributors, AmazonSmile Foundation, The Bahnik Foundation, Corinthian International Foundation, The Maurice Rohrbach Fund, Swiss Benevolent Society of Philadelphia, Swiss Re Foundation, USTINET Corporation and Fox Hills Farm LLC for their continued support of our programs and events.



## Investment Committee

Lorenz Lobsiger, Chair

2022 turned out to be a very difficult year for investors. In the US, equity and bond indices both posted negative returns, a trend not observed since 1974. The Federal Reserve's decision to begin interest-rate hikes coupled with the Fed's program to double the pace of its balance sheet reduction led to surging long-term yields and wider spreads. This made credit more expensive and expedited the economic slowdown. In the US, elevated inflation rates impacted consumer and business confidence. Overseas, it was speculated that the ongoing war in Ukraine and the European energy crisis would likely result in a deeper recession. In China, lingering COVID-19 outbreaks and restrictions had a negative impact on the global supply chain and stress in the property sector posed additional risk. Overall, it felt that the risk of recession would continue to build into 2023.

In line with the highly volatile markets our investment portfolio performed as follows:

#### - 18.31% in 2022

Below are the end-of the year market values of our investment portfolio and the respective asset class breakdown for the past two calendar years:

		2021		2022	
Equities	46%	4,822,944	48%	3,537,961	48%
Fixed Income	31%	2,887,083	29%	2,032,559	27%
Alternative Investments	19%	1,925,109	19%	1,203,877	16%
Cash & Cash Equivalents	4%	387,617	4%	637,010	9%
Total		10,022,753		7,411,407	

Withdrawals from the investment portfolio totaled \$950,000

in 2022. There were no deposits over the past three years.

Looking ahead, financial markets are expected to remain volatile and stay focused on incoming economic data and the Federal Reserve as they will try to price in potential soft landing or recession scenarios for 2023 and beyond.

To conclude, I am pleased to confirm that the Investment Committee holds periodic due diligence and review meetings via Zoom with our investment advisor, Wells Fargo Private Bank, which is managing our portfolio on a discretionary basis and acting in a fiduciary capacity. Our "Growth and Income" portfolio strategy and "Moderate" risk profile is aligned with SBS's long-term investment goals, risk tolerance and specific needs.

The portfolio remains well diversified, and all investment activities are in compliance with the Statement of Investment Policy approved by the Board of Directors.







## Treasurer's Report

Alberto Zonca, Treasurer

#### Fiscal Year 2022

#### **Statement of Activities**

Our financial results for the full year 2022 were driven by a negative performance of the investment portfolio, resulting in a net loss of \$1,661,345. Consequently, the SBS reports a deficit of \$2,650,509 for 2022, compared with a surplus of \$292,546 in 2021.

The report of the Investment Committee provides more information about the performance of the investment portfolio.

Contributions of \$79,054 were lower than the \$168,029 received in 2021.

In consideration of the importance of our scholarships, the SBS was still able to award \$288,250 in 2022, representing 27% of total expenses, an increase versus \$225,500 awarded in 2021.

Total expenses (excluding the awards previously mentioned), including social services, were \$797,189, a 24.8% increase versus 2021. This was mostly due to higher payroll (representing 43% of total expenses) and professional fees (12%). Another large expense is office rent, representing 10% of expenses.

All expenses were within the budget approved by the Board of Directors.

#### **Statement of Financial Position**

The assets mainly include bank accounts, investments and the columbarium in Mt. Kisco.

Major liabilities are accounts payable and awarded scholarships, which have not yet been disbursed to colleges and universities, related to tuitions for the second semester.

The Right of Use lease liability and asset relate to the lease accounting standard, ASC842, requiring lessees to capture both the value of the asset as well as the liability, for leases longer than one year on their balance sheet. It takes the life of the lease and breaks it down over the term.

Net assets in 2022 decreased by \$2,650,509 to \$7,511,761, of which \$2,846,974 were restricted for the Dr. Medicus scholarship.

The SBS has engaged the accounting firm Carey & Co., assisting the Executive Director providing more accurate and detailed bookkeeping. The firm specializes in servicing the nonprofit industry.

Our auditors, Tait, Weller & Baker LLP, provided an unqualified opinion, confirming that our financial statements present fairly the financial position of our organization. The audit report is available upon request.

## **Our Finances**

#### **Five-year Review**

The table below shows our financial highlights over the most recent five years.

SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA							
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022		
Net Assets Investment Portfolio Restricted Assets	8,293,786 7,297,391 2,440,406	9,344,403 9,180,785 2,888,543	9,869,724 9,710,758 3,186,878	10,162,270 10,022,754 3,472,580	7,511,761 7,411,407 2,846,974		
Revenues Investment Income Donations/Contributions	(141,488) (334,971) 170,993	1,972,221 1,434,392 514,266	1,305,753 979,993 251,953	1,156,762 962,090 168,029	(1,565,070) (1,661,345) 79,054		
Scholarships Awards	210,630	211,173	112,500	225,500	288,250		
Expenses	711,266	708,107	667,932	864,216	797,189		

**Net Assets**, assets less liabilities, decreased by \$1,845,409 over the past five years (from 12/31/2017 to 12/31/2022).

**Restricted Assets** are limited by their utilization to specific purpose, and are related tom the Dr. Medicus Scholarship Fund, which can only be used for specific scholarship awards.

**Revenues** are largely dependent on the performance of the investment portfolio. Over the five-year period total revenues were \$2.72 million, including \$1.38 million in investment income and \$1.18 million in donations.

Scholarship awards were \$1.05 million.

**Expenses**, which exclude scholarships, for the last five years were \$3.52 million, of which the largest items were payroll, professional fees and office rent.

The cumulative result over these five years is the \$1.85 million decrease in **Net Assets**.

We have been fortunate to receive generous donations from benefactors which, combined with the investment income, have been sufficient to fund our operations. The Board of Directors continues to explore new ways to increase our revenues and, at the same time, expand our services, whenever feasible and affordable.



## Financial Report

#### Statement of Activities

Year Ended December 31, 2022 (with 2021 summary)

	Without Donor	onor With Donor	Total	
	Restrictions	Restrictions	2022	2021
Revenues, Gains and Other Support				
Contributions	79,054		79,054	118,029
In-kind contributions	0		0	0
Legacies	0		0	0
Investment income (loss)	(1,085,739)	(575,606)	(1,661,345)	962,090
Miscellaneous	17,221		17,221	26,643
Net assets released from restrictions	50,000	(50,000)	0	0
Total revenues, gains and other support	(939,464)	(625,606)	(1,565,070)	1,156,762
Expenses				
Program services				
Social services	360,930		360,930	283,408
Scholarships	426,657		426,657	307,339
Total program services	787,587		787,587	590,747
Total supporting services	297,852		297,852	273,469
Total expenses	1,085,439		1,085,439	864,216
Change in Net Assets	(2,650,509)	(625,606)	1,052,941	292,546
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	10,162,270	3,472,580	8,293,786	9,869,724
Net Assets, End of Year	7,511,761	2,846,974	9,344,403	10,162,270

#### Statement of Functional Expenses

Year Ended December 31, 2022 (with 2021 summary)

Program Services				Supporting Svcs	Total	
	Social Services	Scholarships	Total	MGT & General	2022	2021
Salaries and payroll taxes	203,904	67,648	271,552	130,733	402,285	349,895
Employee benefits	28,899	5,571	34,470	21,320	55,790	40,970
Scholarships	0	288,250	288,250	0	288,250	225,500
Assistance and client services	243	0	243	20,092	20,335	14,165
Rent	47,053	24,027	71,080	35,706	106,786	111,000
Supplies and equipment	9,235	4,716	13,951	7,009	20,960	12,133
Professional fees	51,920	26,512	78,432	61,723	140,155	54,050
Board expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0
Insurance	4,754	2,428	7,182	3,607	10,789	9,837
Telephone	5,140	2,624	7,764	3,900	11,664	11,560
Postage and messengers	32	0	32	1,016	1,048	1,459
Printing	0	0	0	2,221	2,221	1,151
Information technology	5,347	2,730	8,077	4,058	12,135	12,389
Travel and entertainment	1,050	0	1,050	1,144	2,194	9,129
Miscellaneous	3,353	2,151	5,504	5,323	10,827	10,978
Total expenses	360,930	426,657	787,587	297,852	1,085,439	864,216









## Ways To Contribute

There are many ways to help support the Swiss Benevolent Society of New York.



#### **Monetary Donations**

The most immediate way to give is through a cash donation – either by sending us a check or donating by credit card or PayPal via our website. Cash gifts are fully deductible to up to 50% of the donor's adjusted gross income. There are no membership forms to fill out. Your check will serve as your application. Each donor is a member of the Society for the calendar year in which the contribution is made and will be listed in the appropriate category in our annual report.

#### Ask your employer about matching gifts

If your employer participates in a matching gift program, the value of your donation to the SBS will be multiplied. Please inform your employer of your gift to us. We will be happy to provide all necessary forms and information.

#### **Appreciated Securities**

The Internal Revenue Service allows you to take a tax deduction on the full fair-market value of appreciated securities you donate to a charity. You must have held the securities for a minimum period of 12 months or longer. Even with a 20% tax rate, you can achieve significant tax savings because your donation is exempt from capital gains taxes. These gifts may be deductible for up to 30% of the donor's adjusted gross income.

#### **Real Estate**

Real estate, in some cases, can be given outright, and the donor receives a charitable income tax deduction equal to the property's fair market value.

#### Legacies

You may wish to bequeath a specific amount or a percentage of your estate to the "Swiss Benevolent Society of New York" in your Last Will and Testament, or name us as a beneficiary in your Living Trust. A legacy to the SBS may reduce your estate taxes without depleting current assets.

#### Life Insurance

Many people own life insurance that they no longer need for its original purpose. When circumstances change, the owner can put a life insurance policy to other uses, including a donation, in part or full, to a charity. Thank you for considering the SBS.

#### **Charitable Trusts**

Different types of trusts (e.g., charitable remainder trust, charitable lead trust) may be established that meet your current needs for either ongoing income or immediate tax deductions, and which will benefit the SBS over the long term. These trusts are administered by a fiduciary and are subject to strict regulation.

Other ways to help:

**Volunteer** — Be an active part of the SBS and volunteer your time or skills. Volunteers are needed! **Fundraise** — Start a fundraising campaign to raise money and awareness for the SBS.



## Contributions and Donations

#### Matching Gifts

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