

- Nearly 950 individuals with brain injury, including veterans, and their family members received support and answers to their questions about brain injury through our information and referral helpline.
- Over 150 caregivers and individuals with brain injury attended support groups each month; we provided technical assistance and help to 17 support groups across the state. Attendees learned from others who have been living with brain injury, shared their experiences, and received encouragement from those who really understand.
- Approximately 80 adult survivors of brain injury spent a week at our 27th Annual Camp Bruce McCoy, while their caregivers received respite. Each camper had the opportunity to build confidence, foster new friendships, overcome challenges and most importantly, have fun.
- Over 5,000 individuals attended our public awareness, education and outreach activities to increase their knowledge of brain injury, prevention and treatment.
- Nearly 80 individuals became independent advocates through either our one-on-one advocacy training or our Advocacy Academy; these participants now have the resources to communicate effectively with their legislators, health care providers and community agencies to obtain the resources they require for the highest quality of life.
- All student athletes, their parents and coaches will benefit from Senate Bill 652 as a result of our advocacy efforts. The bill requires the Board of Education to develop and distribute guidelines on policies to each local school division to inform and educate coaches, athletes, and their parents of the nature and risk of concussions, criteria for removal from and return to play, and risks of not reporting the injury and continuing to play.
- Nearly 20 professionals across the state working in a field related to brain injury received their Certified Brain Injury Specialist (CBIS) certification through one of our training and testing sessions; this certification improves the quality of care given to individuals with brain injury.
- Approximately 1.5 million Virginians were exposed to information about sports concussion through our public service announcements during Brain Injury Awareness Month in March. Athletes, coaches and parents learned about preventing, recognizing and responding to concussions.

How BIAV's Expenses are Allocated



BIAV's Programs by Activity

