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Center of Idaho

FISCAL YEAR 2022 | July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022

ANNUAL REPORT





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A LETTER FROM THE BOARD CHAIR

Dear Friends,

I'm thrilled to share our annual report with you. As we all came up for a collective breath last year, the Discovery Center of Idaho built momentum for a capital campaign to renovate and expand the Center, making it more inclusive and accessible so that we may welcome future innovators for the next 30 years. The lobby and STEM Store have already received a big upgrade, just a taste of the improvements that are coming.

We strive to be a resource for our region, one that helps inspire and educate learners of all ages. Your collective generosity made it possible for the Discovery Center to inspire over 70,000 visitors with three world-class traveling exhibitions and our beloved hands-on exhibits in fiscal year 2022. And, we doubled down on our commitment to accessibility and inclusivity, welcoming nearly 5,000 kids back to the Center by offering STEM Field Trips for just \$1 per student between January and May, 2022 (Field Trips paused during the pandemic, but now the Center reverberates once again with sounds of kids exploring the wonders of STEM).

In this report, you will see the impact of the remarkable work that we were able to accomplish, together, in 2022. All of this is only possible because of the support provided by our foundation and corporate partners and individual donors like you. THANK YOU.

With gratitude,

Susan Copple

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Board Chair

VISITOR STATEMENT

"So grateful for the Discovery Center! The exhibits are spectacular for the whole family (including adults) and the hands-on interactive "chaos room" is such a joy for my kids (2 and 4 years). Convenient location, super helpful and informed staff – so much to love!"

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VOLUNTEER PROGRAM



MEET JETT, GALLERY VOLUNTEER

Meet our wonderful volunteer, Jett! We're highlighting Jett because of his passion for helping kids in Idaho experience STEM learning through meaningful play with our hands-on exhibits.

In an interview, Jett mentioned how a childhood visit to the Discovery Center of Idaho sparked his interest in STEM fields, which later became a passion, leading him to a future bachelor's degree in engineering from Boise State University. Jett is now attending a professional graduate program and as busy as he is, he still makes time to share his knowledge with our youngest visitors. We are incredibly grateful to have him on our team and we hope that he continues to inspire STEM wherever he goes.

"When I was in first grade, I was really developing an interest in science, technology, engineering and math and I had some family here in the Treasure Valley that wanted to entertain us one day when they were babysitting. We came here and I got to work through all of the exhibits and honestly, it was a really cool experience. I remember a lot about it and eventually it pushed me to go to engineering school and now I'm in a professional graduate program [for biomedical engineering]. So I volunteer here to try to pay it forward and help the youth of the Treasure Valley to have the same passion that I have for STEM."

-Jett, Gallery Volunteer

MEET SAGE, VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Sage, our fantastic Volunteer Coordinator, has been making significant strides towards our goal of expanding and diversifying our Volunteer Program. After finishing her degrees at Idaho State University, Sage joined the Education Department with a passion to help further develop the Volunteer Program and make a positive impact on the community. Her welcoming attitude and inclusive training has allowed the Volunteer Program to flourish as it broadens in size and diversity.

As our volunteer numbers grow, our volunteers reflect, more and more, the diverse and growing population in Idaho's Treasure Valley. Our diversity exemplifies the impact that representation has, especially in STEM education.



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Multi-Language Speaking Volunteers



"The Discovery Center of Idaho is known for curating the love and passion for STEM. I am passionate about my job as a Volunteer Coordinator because I get to witness the "lightbulb" moment happen for each volunteer, family, and guest that comes in. This sparks an energy that can only be described as enlightenment and joy. Learning is limitless and it's an inspiration to be here every day!" -Sage, Volunteer Coordinator

FY22 HIGHLIGHTS



VISITORS TO THE CENTER

71,445

Visitors experienced Idaho's only hands-on science center

684

Visitors received reduced admission through the Museums for All program for low-income and under-served individuals and families

EXHIBITIONS

3

World-class traveling exhibitions were shared with the Boise community

220

Volunteers provided exhibition support to visitors

3,263

Hours of personal time were donated by volunteers to support exhibitions



STEM FIELD TRIP PROGRAM

117

Field trips from Idaho schools visited the Discovery Center

4,801

Field trip participants experienced hands-on STEM learning

983

Students participated in a classroom activity add-on during their field trip

STEM CAMPS & CLASSES

12

STEM camps offered throughout the year

168

Camp participants experienced STEM learning with our Education team

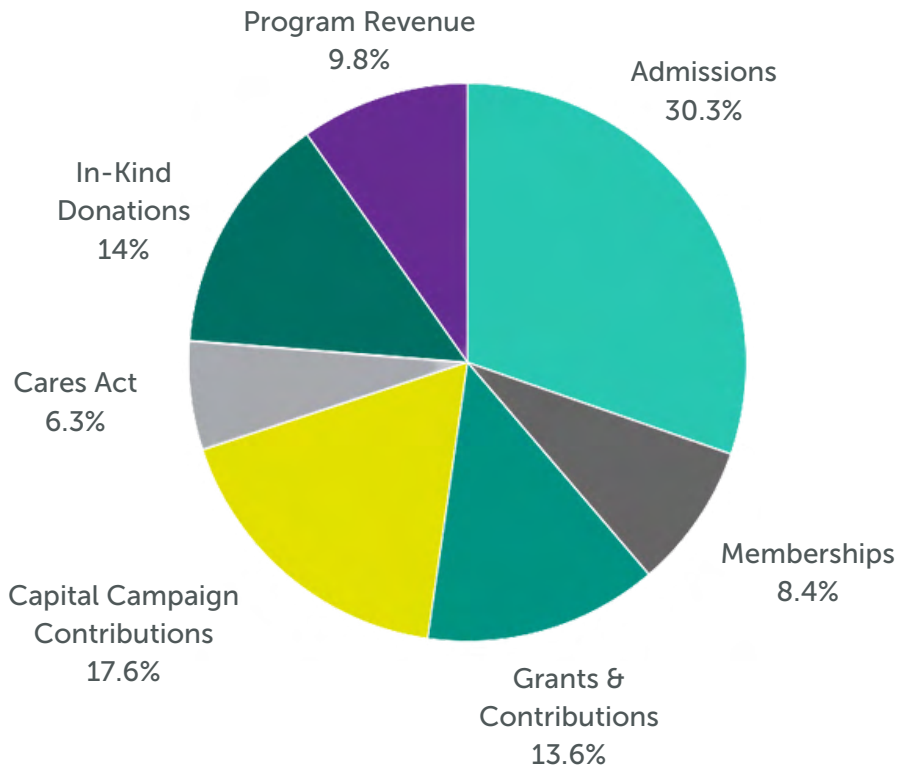


YOUR IMPACT

The Discovery Center of Idaho is a private 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. It is because of your support that we can continue providing hands-on STEM learning opportunities for all ages.

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REVENUE



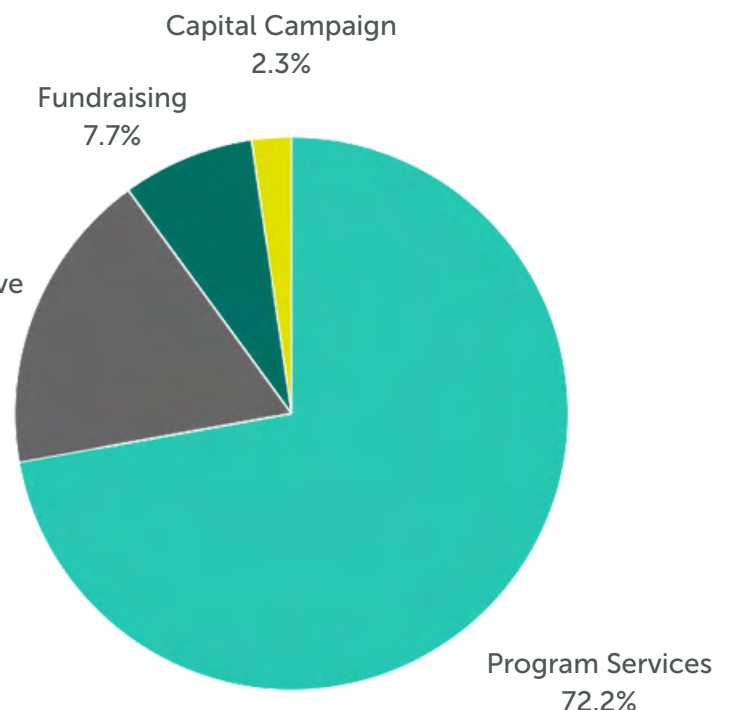
Admissions:	\$742,852
Memberships:	\$205,990
Grants & Contributions:	\$332,002
Capital Campaign:	\$431,791
Cares Act:	\$154,981
In-Kind Donations:	\$342,542
Program Revenue:	\$239,517

Total Revenue: \$2,449,675

EXPENSES

Program Services:	\$1,352,860
Administrative:	\$333,374
Fundraising:	\$144,844
Capital Campaign:	\$43,408

Total Expenses: \$1,874,486



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We recognize the continued commitment of our corporate, foundation and government supporters from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

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