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A Museum for All

By Ryan J. Hagemann High Desert Museum Board Chair

The core of the High Desert Museum's mission has long been to share dynamic, educational exhibitions and programs, as well as to create a welcoming atmosphere for all. Thanks to your support, the Museum experienced a banner year of making this mission a reality.

Over the past five years, our attendance has increased by 26 percent – record-breaking growth for the Museum! Last year, nearly 200,000 visitors were able to observe the agility of otters, discover a porcupine sleeping in a tree, pump water on a 1904 ranch, and reflect on a landscape painting by James Lavadour.

In part, this growth is augmented by our expanding initiatives to extend access to the Museum to those who might not otherwise be able to visit. Last year, through these initiatives, 18,498 individuals entered for free or at a reduced rate. For example, we expanded our National Endowment for the Arts Blue Star Museum program, which provides free admission to active duty military and their families, from the summer to year-round.

Other initiatives have continued to make the Museum accessible to community members. During the federal furlough last spring, we offered federal employees and their families free admission. Our quarterly Museum & Me events enable individuals who experience disabilities and their families to visit after hours at no cost, and Little Wonders provides free memberships to Head Start families.

Our growing number of visitors are experiencing new, innovative programming. With the support of a prestigious Oregon Community Foundation Creative Heights grant, the Museum's recent exhibition, *Desert Reflections: Water Shapes the West*, brought together artists, scientists, culture keepers, poets and scholars to evoke new understandings of how water shapes the cultural and natural landscape of the American West. For its innovative and collaborative approach, the exhibition won the 2019 Charles Redd Center for Western Studies Award for Exhibition Excellence.

You are a vital part of making this growth possible. Thanks to you, as visitors, members, donors and volunteers, moments of wonder happen every day at the Museum.

HIGH DESERT MUSEUM

YOUR SUPPORT MAKES A DIFFERENCE



25,108 volunteer hours valued at \$638,496 **12,086** children served by our educational programs

196,020 visitors, a 26 percent growth in attendance since 2014





72 hours training for area teachers



"It is so wonderful to have my child feel represented in a historical event that doesn't often include people who look like her."

 Parent chaperone's feedback on the diverse stories woven into the Oregon Encounters history program for elementary students







FINANCIAL SUMMARY

MANAGEMENT 9% •

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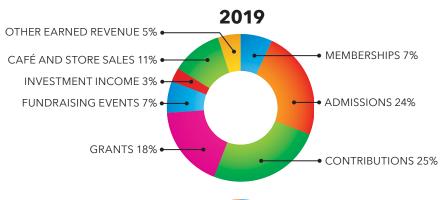
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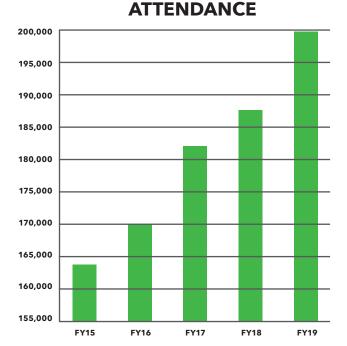
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EDUCATION 82%

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2019







PROGRAMMATIC EFFICIENCY

DOLLARS WELL SPENT

51,873,798
T 2 0 4 2 4 5
\$204,245
\$113,000
\$94,045
285,088
\$30,000
3,347,759
2,895,599
558,446
\$448,770
\$147,203
595,973
\$600,340
3,354,462
3,954,802
2,403,729
51,603,942
962,473

With comparative totals for the year ending June 30, 2018

Statement of Financial Activities (All Funds)

,	2019	2018
OPERATING SUPPORT AND REVENUE		
Memberships	\$399,630	\$354,681
Admissions, net of discounts	\$1,304,924	\$1,320,589
Contributions	\$1,374,881	\$818,243
Educational and program fees	\$226,299	\$143,977
Museum store and café sales, net of COGS	\$586,109	\$557,114
Grants	\$985,741	\$1,080,276
Fundraising events, net	\$396,803	\$352,547
Event rental	\$75,160	\$53,009
Investment income	\$139,857	\$276,907
Gain (loss) on disposal of assets	\$900	\$-
Other revenue	\$15,391	\$16,241
TOTAL OPERATING SUPPORT	\$5,505,695	\$4,973,584
AND REVENUE		
EXPENSES		
Program Services		
Exhibits	\$1,631,706	\$1,523,411
Education and program fees	\$827,131	\$863,411
Visitor services	\$687,580	\$712,914
Communications	\$579,315	\$475,007
Total program services	\$3,725,732	\$3,574,743
Support Services		
Management and general	\$398,931	\$245,163
Fundraising	\$422,658	\$358,485
Total support services	\$821,589	\$603,648
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	\$4,547,321	\$4,178,391
GAIN (LOSS) BEFORE DEPRECIATION	\$958,374	\$795,193
Depreciation expense	\$680,021	\$651,390
Total change in net assets after depreciation	\$278,353	\$143,803

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