

Annual Report 2017



 **DISCOVERY** 
MUSEUM
 science. nature. play.



Dear Friend of the Museum,

There are many ways to measure success. And by many of them, 2017 was a resoundingly successful year, as this Annual Report shows. With your help:

- We exceeded our \$8.4 million Campaign for the Discovery Museum goal, culminating in a complete renovation and expansion of our museum.
- We concluded the campaign with a total of \$8.8 million in incredibly generous contributions from hundreds of friends of the museum, a third of whom were moved to make their first gifts ever to this organization.
- We served more than 150,000 people in 2017, our second-busiest year ever.
- Our Traveling Science Workshops reached nearly 34,000 students in their classrooms.
- We ended 2017 with more than 2,400 member families, a 9% increase over the prior year.
- We served 26% of our total audience for free or at a deep discount through our Open Door Connections program, which provides opportunities for those facing physical, developmental, or financial barriers to experience the museum. That's 40,000 people who, thanks to your generous support, experienced our playful approach to learning without the barrier of cost.



CEO Neil Gordon and Board Chair Bill Ryan

That we were able to accomplish all of this—despite one building being closed for six months during construction—is a testament to your commitment and your belief in us that what we do is good for children. With your support—your contributions to our capital campaign and annual fund, your time volunteering, and your continued visitation and patience during our building project—2017 was a very successful year, and one that set the stage for the chapter we began on March 1 with the opening of our new Discovery Museum. What we built together is a museum that's new, but honors our past; that's larger and more accessible, but still comfortable and welcoming; that's filled with fresh, modern exhibits that still inspire children the same way they always have, through the simple joys of hands-on play and discovery. We remain resolute in our commitment to sharing all of this with as many families as possible in the years to come. We thank you again for helping to make it all possible.

Neil H. Gordon, CEO

Bill Ryan, Chair, Board of Directors

2017 By the Numbers

Preliminary unaudited results

FY2017 Operating Expenses

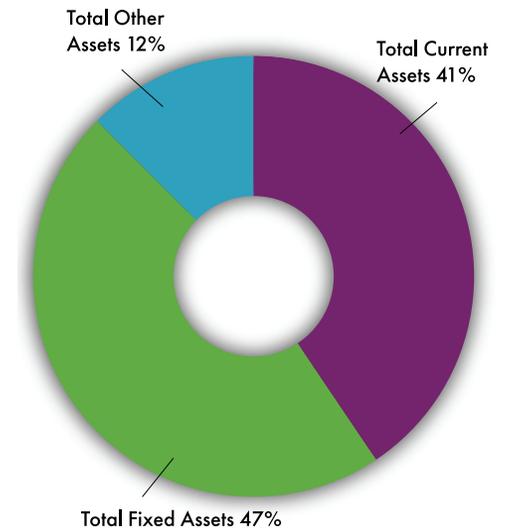
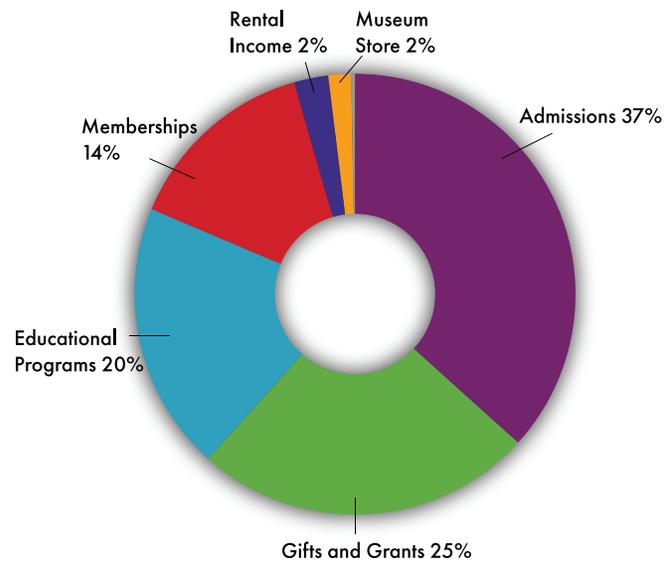
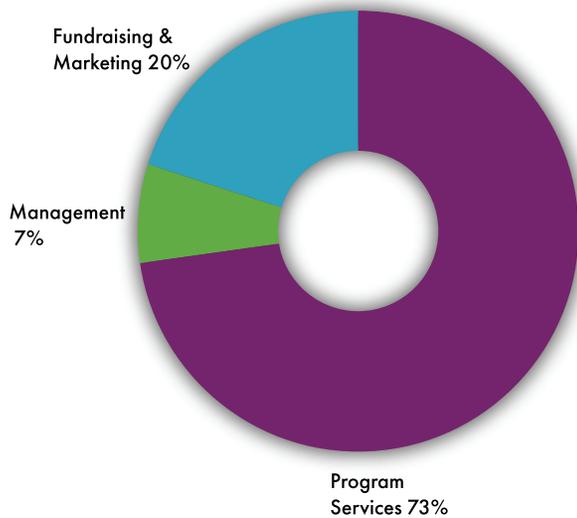
Program Services	\$1,236,873
Management & General	\$123,860
Fundraising & Marketing	335,204
Total	\$1,695,937

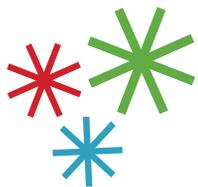
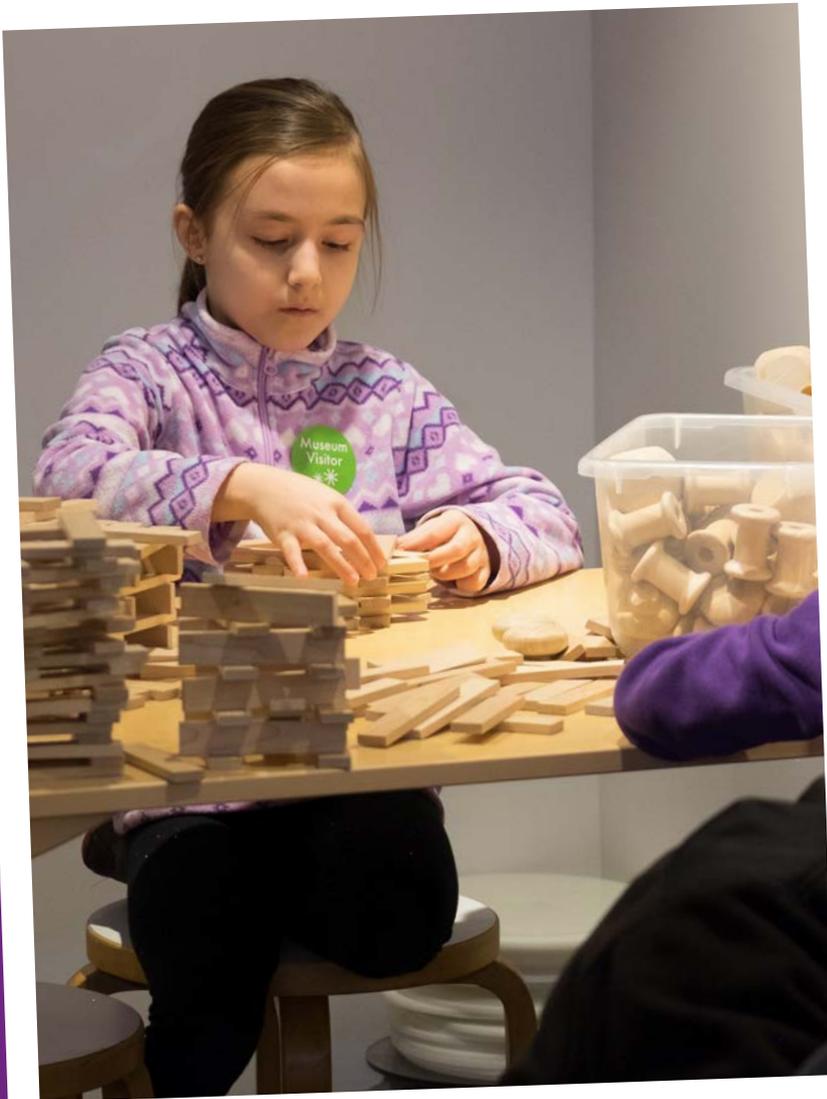
FY2017 Operating Support & Revenue

Admissions	\$606,778
Gifts & Grants	\$409,426
Educational Programs	\$321,764
Memberships	\$235,971
Rental Income	\$37,360
Museum Store	\$30,609
Miscellaneous Income	\$638
Total	\$1,642,546

FY2017 Total Liabilities & Assets

Total Current Assets	\$2,303,855
Total Fixed Assets	\$2,643,197
Total Other Assets	\$702,861
Total Assets	\$5,649,913
Total Liabilities	\$464,159
2017 Total Net Assets	\$5,185,753





Museum Leadership

Board of Directors 2018

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*“This new museum will inspire kids for generations to always stay curious about the world around them.”
–Neil Gordon, CEO of Discovery Museum, at the Grand Opening celebration, March 3, 2018*

The Campaign for the Discovery Museum

Bessie Society

(\$1,000,000+)

The Manton Foundation

Founders and Directors Circle

(\$500,000+)

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(\$250,000+)

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(\$100,000+)

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Inquirers and Investigators Society

(\$50,000+)

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Carolyn and Andy Platt
Town of Acton

Future Scientists Council

(\$25,000+)

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Raytheon
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Workers Credit Union

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(\$10,000+)

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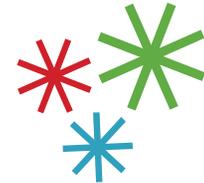
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Up to \$10,000 through December 31, 2016*

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Barbra, Eliot, and Michelle Weisman



The Campaign for the Discovery Museum made possible our new building, its exhibits, and Discovery Woods. Through this Campaign, the museum made tangible its commitment to accessibility for all, the importance of early learning experiences in science and nature, and the critical role of play. This Campaign would not have been possible without the extraordinary generosity, from start to finish, of The Manton Foundation and its Trustees, whose investment over ten years supported the effort from conception, through planning, to two donor challenges, inspiring \$4 million in new Campaign gifts. The Discovery Museum Board of Directors, Campaign leadership, and staff thank The Manton Foundation for its confidence, just as we thank all of our donors for sharing our vision for a bright future.

*For all 2017 contributors, please see "Our Donors - 2017"

2017 Accolades

Thanks to the tremendous collective support of our community, completed the \$8.8M Campaign for the Discovery Museum, the museum's only capital campaign since 1987. The campaign made possible the transformation and full accessibility of our campus including Discovery Woods and the all-new Discovery Museum.

Finished major construction on the expanded, completely renovated, accessible, ADA-compliant, 16,000 square-foot Discovery Museum, which opened in March 2018.

Grew membership to more than 2,400 families, a 9% increase over 2016.

Served more than 185,000 people, our second-largest year ever, despite one building being closed for six months.

Served nearly 1,300 people at our *Especially for Me* free events for families with disabilities.

Awarded grant support from both Foundation for MetroWest and Sudbury Foundation for development of making/tinkering programs especially for our visitors with disabilities.

Served more than 48,000 people for free or nearly free, 26% of the total we served. This included \$1 Anytime Admission for 4,231 people holding EBT cards, a 6% increase.

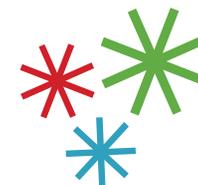
Hosted more than 11,000 students and teachers visiting the Museums on school field trips.



Brought hands-on STEM programs that meet state education frameworks to nearly 34,000 pre-K through 8th graders in their classrooms with our Traveling Science Workshops program.

Donated more than \$31,750 worth of free admission passes to 620 nonprofits for their fundraisers, a 10% increase over 2016.

Brought together practicing scientists and engineers with our visitors at two free "Meet the Scientists" events, part of our Science and Engineering Communication Fellowship program.



Hosted more than 600 registrants at four events in our Discovery Museum Speaker Series, with speakers addressing topics on parenting, play, and youth sports. Speakers included author Angela Hanscom and political columnist Ron Fournier.

Earned Gold, Best Museum, in the 2017 Wicked Local Reader's Choice Awards.

Selected as a Boston Central "Editors' Pick," *Things To Do with Kids*.

Earned 2017 *Boston Parents Paper* "Best of the Best" Family Favorites awards for Best Museum, Best Parent-Friendly Playdate Spot, and Best Birthday Party venue.

Earned a Trip Advisor Certificate of Excellence.

Offered more than 400 special staff-led, hands-on science, art, music, and engineering programs, free with admission.

Our Donors - 2017

We gratefully acknowledge the individuals, corporations, foundations, organizations, and government agencies whose generosity and goodwill provided critical support for the Discovery Museum in 2017. It is a special honor to recognize those who have shown their loyalty to the museum by giving for many years consecutively (see key).

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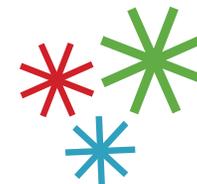
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Consecutive Support Key:

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**“Brimming with creativity, crackling with energy,
the gorgeous exhibits draw you in, exclaiming
“please DO touch!”
–Neil Gordon, CEO of Discovery Museum, at
the Grand Opening celebration**

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Discovery Museum's 2017 Speaker Series

Angela Hanscom, MOT, OTR/L:
The Decline of Outdoor Play in Children
and the Rise in Sensory Issues

Ron Fournier, senior political columnist
for *The Atlantic* and *National Journal*,
and author of *Love That Boy: What Two
Presidents, Eight Road Trips, and My Son
Taught Me About a Parent's Expectations*

Lawrence J. Cohen, Ph.D., licensed
psychologist specializing in children's
play and play therapy and author of
Playful Parenting and *The Opposite of
Worry*.

Bob Bigelow, former NBA player and
youth sports speaker: *Adults and Children
in Youth Sports: Who Wins, Who Loses?*



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Carlisle Cultural Council
Susan Champagne
David and Maureen Christmas
Linda O. Clark
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Linda Cook
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Shana and Eric Garr

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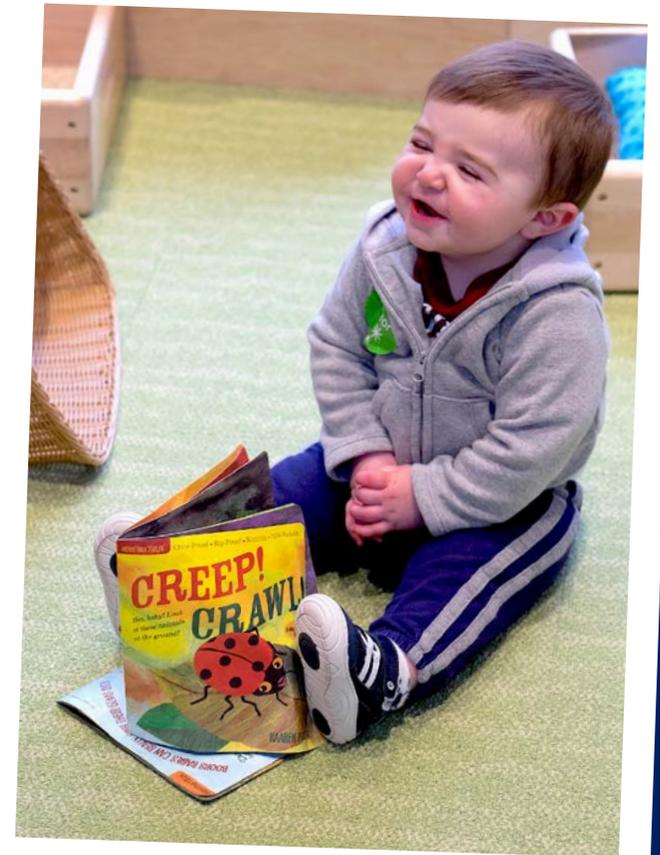
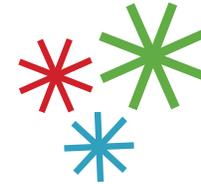
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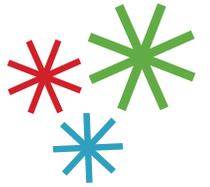
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In Honor of Kathie Watt
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Acton Critter Sitters
Acton Fire Department
Acton Police Department
Acton Recreation Department
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Animal Adventures
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Bamboo Fine Asian Cuisine & Sushi Bar
Bayside Resort
Marie and Brian Beam





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The Cheese Shop of Concord
The Cheesecake Factory

Children's Museum and Theatre of Maine
Circle Furniture
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Colonial Spirits
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Concord Museum
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Damnation Alley Distillery
Drawbridge Puppet Theater
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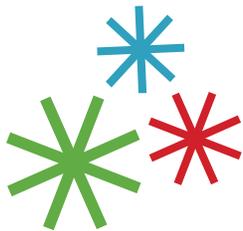


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“The new museum is absolutely **amazing**, a wonderful place for all children to **explore**, create, and feel **empowered.**”

–Neil Gordon, CEO of Discovery Museum



New Board Members 2017

We were pleased to welcome four new members to our Board of Directors in 2017.



Cheryl Beaudoin (Boston) is a Kindergarten teacher in the Acton-Boxborough Public Schools. She began her teaching career in 2009, after spending 18 years at Digital Equipment Corporate in Human Resources. Cheryl also has owned several retail flower businesses. Cheryl holds an M.A. in Education from Lesley University. Cheryl is the second member of her family to serve on the Board and is a longtime member of the museum's Brain Building Together advisory group, helping the museum expand its reach to the youngest children. A

longtime resident of Acton, she now lives in Boston with her husband.



Helen Crary (Sudbury) served as the Early Childhood Program Coordinator for the Sudbury Public Schools and the Wellesley Public Schools, with a career emphasis on special education advocacy. In retirement, she served as a volunteer child advocate for the CASA Project in Worcester from 2005-2013. Helen is currently on the boards of Buddy Dog Humane Society and the Goodnow Library Foundation, where she is immediate past Board president; she is the former president of the Sudbury Garden Club. Helen holds a B.A. from Colgate

University and an M.Ed. from Tufts University.



Jeff Glidden (Boxborough) is the retired SVP and CFO of Parametric Technology Corporation, a post he held until 2015. Prior to that, Jeff served as CFO for a number of companies including Airvana, RSA Security, Stream International, and Banyan Systems. Jeff serves on the Board of Trustees at the New Hampton School; Executive Committee of Epilepsy Foundation; President's Circle of the Maine Coast Heritage Trust; the Conservation Trusts of Kennebunkport and Boxborough; and the Planned Giving Committee of United Church of

Christ. Prior to joining Discovery Museum's Board, Jeff was co-chair of the Museum's Capital Campaign, which raised \$8.8M against an \$8.4M goal. Jeff earned a B.S. from Union College and an M.B.A. from Harvard University.



Kerry Hawitt, Ph.D. (Harvard) is Head of Business Performance & Operations at Shire, where she has held senior leadership positions since 2006 including Head of Quality Systems & Product Quality, Head of Product Lifecycle Quality, Head of Product Quality Management, and Director of Global Quality Compliance.

Kerry is a member of the Royal Society of Biology; Parenteral Drug Association; HBA - Healthcare Women's Association; and The Boston Club, one of the largest communities of women executives and professional leaders in the Northeast.

Kerry was educated in the United Kingdom, where she earned Bachelor of Science and PhD degrees in microbiology.



Andrew H. Howard (Westford) is an Assistant Vice President in Commercial Lending at Middlesex Savings Bank and has been with the Bank since 2012. Prior to joining Middlesex Savings Bank, Andrew held positions within the financial services and technology fields. He is currently on the Board of Directors with the Greater Lowell Chamber Of Commerce where he serves on the Community Service Committee, and is a member of the Middlesex West Chamber

of Commerce. He is also an active member of his church, and a volunteer youth sports coach. Andrew earned a B.S. from Suffolk University and an MBA from Assumption College. Andrew and his family have enjoyed their Discovery Museum membership since 2013.



Justin Kliger is an Associate at Ropes & Gray LLP, where he advises endowments, other institutional investors and high net worth individuals in their alternative investments, as well as sponsors of private funds. He also regularly works with pro bono clients, including on structuring partnerships to raise private capital and on corporate matters such as mergers. Justin earned a J.D., magna cum laude from Harvard Law School; an M.B.A. from Joseph

Schumpeter Institut in Wels, Austria; and an M.S. in Computer Science and a B.A. summa cum laude in Government and Psychology from the College of William & Mary. Justin lives in Carlisle with wife and young children. He was raised in Acton and attended Acton-Boxborough Regional High School. Justin is the first museum Board member who visited the museum as a child.



“The hands-on exhibits do a great job of encouraging learning through play, experimentation, and observation.” –Neil Gordon, CEO of Discovery Museum

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The Discovery Museum's Council of Advocates is an advisory group dedicated to maintaining a meaningful and productive connection with our community, supporters, and friends. It includes members of the Science and Technology Advisory Council, the Brain Building Together Council, Accessibility Advisors, Math Advisors, Early Childhood Advisors, as well as other advocates of the museum.

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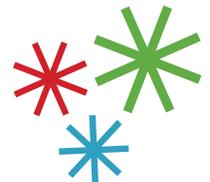
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