Deschutes Children's Foundation News and Stories 2020



Deschutes Children's Foundation envisions a community where all children and families have the resources they need to thrive. Our mission is to provide the space and support where nonprofits succeed at helping children and families.



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From the **Executive Director**

Dear Friends,

Even during these challenging times, we're building new partnerships at Deschutes Children's Foundation. **This fall, we welcomed NeighborImpact Early Head Start to our Rosie Bareis Community Campus in Bend.** Their work to strengthen families and close the achievement gap is a welcome addition, and we look forward to facilitating their collaboration with other programs on campus.

Earlier this year, **Deschutes Children's Foundation renewed a** twenty-year operating agreement with Deschutes County for our Becky Johnson Community Center in Redmond. We're thrilled

to ensure that children and families will access the services they need to thrive for years to come in the heart of downtown Redmond.

With funding from PacificSource Foundation, in partnership with Central

Oregon Pediatric Associates and BlackStrap Industries, **Deschutes Children's Foundation distributed over 5,000 pediatric-sized masks to nonprofits helping children and families throughout the tri-county area.**

It's been a hard year, but there are many bright spots to share. **I'm proud of our partners for finding new ways to help children and families.**

Most of all, I'm grateful for the continued support of generous donors like you.

Your kindness makes a difference for children and families in our community. **Thank you.**

Warmest wishes,

Amy Ward *V* Executive Director



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Here's what our nonprofit partners say about working at Deschutes Children's Foundation.

"There's a community feel and a tone that's set by having all of us there on the same campus. We aren't alone."



"It is a deep sense of pride for us to be connected to DCF. We love the campus, the location, and the sense of being supported in our work."

"I feel the support from others and the enthusiasm we all share for each other's successes. We also feel the heartaches, but we have each other whenever needed."





"Coming to work in an environment where everyone is working to serve at-risk kids in different ways is inspiring!"

"There is a lot of collaborative brainstorming which makes for great discussion about approaches to programs and fundraising."

Your generosity makes this incredible work possible. Thank you.

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When we cancelled Ripples, our annual auction, due to COVID-19, these fantastic local businesses continued their support of Deschutes Children's Foundation. From Ripples to Riddles, we are grateful for their dedication!

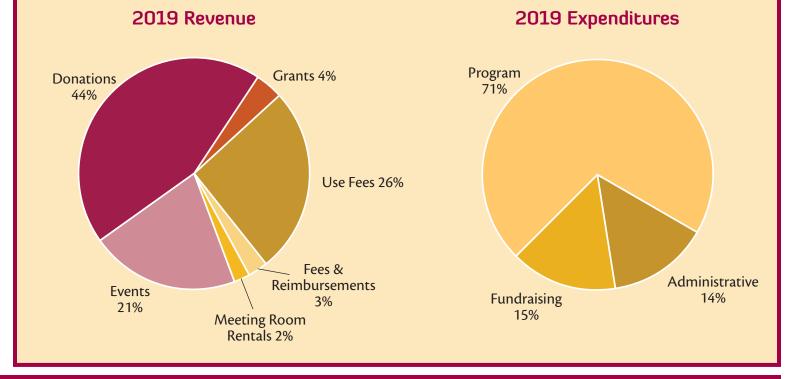
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Children benefit when nonprofits work together

When a Head Start preschool student at our East Bend Campus needed physical therapy but his family lacked adequate transportation to the appointment, his teachers asked Treehouse Therapies – located just down the hallway – to help him during class time. **The student accessed the help he needed, in a familiar environment, without creating additional stress for his family.** That's the power of co-location and collaboration at Deschutes Children's Foundation.





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In Loving Memory of Bobbie Strome

Central Oregon lost a devoted advocate for children and families when our longtime supporter and Deschutes Children's Foundation board member Bobbie Strome passed away earlier this year. Bobbie's passion for helping others never wavered. We celebrate her memory and send our love to her family and friends.