

# Children’s Museum of Oak Ridge

## 2019 Annual Report

Members  
299

People  
Served  
52,789

Volunteer  
Hours  
2,876

Camp  
Participants  
119

Gala  
Guests  
216

Social  
Media  
Friends

 3,976

 32

### From the Executive Director

The hard work of many people meant a successful year for CMOR. New initiatives were launched such as “Charlie’s Pantry,” providing food and toiletries for our after school program students. The Museum had two new fundraising events: “An Evening in the Garden” at Willow Ridge Garden Center & Landscaping and a benefit lecture by renowned forensic anthropologist Dr. William “Bill” Bass. The Board led two facility projects: renovation work on the upstairs boy’s restroom and repairs to the floor of the TVA Waterworks exhibit. Progress on the Flattop House included electrical work and the installation of a new HVAC system. Smithsonian Magazine’s free Museum Day brought many new visitors through our doors. Lastly, our partnership with the National Park Service continued to flourish. Thank you for putting CMOR first in your heart.

Beth Shea  
CMOR Executive Director

In Kind  
Donors  
195

Grants  
\$46,967

### Strategic Plan

This was the first year of implementation of the Museum’s new three year strategic plan. The plan’s five goals focus on money, marketing, people, facility, and programs, with a series of short and long term objectives under each goal. In early 2019 the plan’s objectives were put into a work plan, which the board and staff are using to drive the museum’s activities, making sure the priorities set forth in the strategic plan are followed. The plan can be accessed at <https://childrensmuseumofokridge.org/mission-history/>

### Weinberg Papers Project

Great progress was made on this CMOR project in 2019. The project archivist prepared the first 90 boxes of the collection for permanent archival storage. This included removing the papers from filing cabinets and transferring them to archive quality storage folders and boxes, developing a finding aid, and creating metadata (descriptions) for the boxes. ACS Document Imaging of Knoxville was selected to digitize the collection, processing 69 boxes. In order to feature the project, the Thorium Energy Alliance held its 10th Annual Conference in Oak Ridge. The conference included presentations about Dr. Weinberg and a booth for project fundraising. Also in 2019, individuals from the community were interviewed about their memories of Alvin Weinberg. Their videos were posted on the project’s web page.

### Flattop House Bricks

The Children’s Museum of Oak Ridge announced the VICTORY BRICK campaign to raise funds to complete the Flat Top House Exhibit. Bricks are \$250 each. Funds will help complete the project, maintain the house, and create a historic and educational exhibit that captures Oak Ridge’s rich history. The new brick sidewalk will include the original AMSE bronze donation plaques as part of the hardscape display.



# From the Board President

The Children’s Museum continues to be a treasure in the Oak Ridge community. Children and adults from all over the United States are delighted and entertained when visiting the museum and its exhibits, located in a historic Manhattan Project-era school. You will get a unique experience here like nowhere else. Our staff, volunteers, and board take great pride to preserve the historical relevance and have it on display for all to see. Once again, the Annual Gala was a success and our most productive fund raiser of the year for our non-profit organization. I am proud of the brand we offer, and the enrichment to the lives of everyone who visits Children’s Museum of Oak Ridge.

Sheldon Green, President, Board of Trustees

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## Financials

**RECEIPTS**

	2019 Actual	2019 Budget	Percent
Total Earned	266,949	278,168	96%
Total Grants	46,967	57,300	82%
Total Donations	154,113	116,202	133%
Other	21,687	17,024	127%
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>489,715</b>	<b>468,694</b>	<b>104%</b>

**DISBURSEMENTS**

	2019 Actual	2019 Budget	Percent
Administrative	72,014	67,371	107%
Building Maintenance	90,097	81,636	110%
Educational Programs	8,934	6,050	148%
Personnel	269,664	294,636	92%
Special Events	18,132	19,000	95%
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>475,533</b>	<b>468,694</b>	<b>101%</b>

## Donors

**\$50,000 and up**

Estate of Robert Stone

**\$20,000 - \$49,999**

James & Ronnie Bogard

**\$10,000 - \$19,999**

Pilot Corporation

**\$5,000 - \$9,999**

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**\$1,000 - \$4,999**

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