THE ANNUAL FUND

MAKING AN IMMEDIATE IMPACT

“Whenever I bring my grandchildren to the Museum of Science, they hit the concourse running and build up a good head of steam. The Annual Fund gives the Museum that same kind of running momentum from year to year. I give to the Annual Fund because current-use support goes where the Museum needs it most—exhibits, educational programs, and day-to-day operations. That kind of energy really makes a difference.”

– Brit d’Arbeloff
Honorary Campaign Co-Chair, Trustee Emerita
You can make an immediate impact.

Every day, the Annual Fund delivers the unrestricted income needed to maintain your favorite exhibits, offer educational programs for visitors of all ages, and provide for the upkeep and care of our Science Park facilities.

Current-use gifts to the Annual Fund help ensure that the Museum of Science continues to transform the nation’s relationship with science and technology.

The Annual Fund is a vital part of the Museum’s effort to deliver an amazing educational experience to our members, friends, and guests. Your gifts to the Annual Fund go to work immediately and are essential to the Museum’s efforts to inspire children, engage adult learners, and provide resources for educators every year.

Your support leaves its mark.

Donations to the Annual Fund help the Museum of Science support every facet of our daily operations. Here’s a quick look at the range of our activities and the impact of our programs each year:

- more than 100,000 school children are inspired by our Traveling Programs
- visitors interact with 700+ innovative exhibits in 130,000 square feet of gallery space
- over 175,000 students enjoy field trips to the Museum
- 120 animals reside in our Live Animal Center and appear in over 5,000 educational programs
- more than 650 community-based organizations benefit from our educational partnerships
- the Museum educates and informs an average of 1.5 million visitors

Your gifts support Campaign priorities.

All gifts to the Annual Fund count toward the overall $250 million goal of the Campaign for the Museum of Science. During the quiet phase (2004 – 2010) of the Campaign, $16 million was generously donated to the Annual Fund, and the goal for the public phase (through 2015) is $11 million. Maintaining a strong base of annual, unrestricted operating support is essential to the success of the Museum.

Donor Recognition

The Annual Fund recognizes donations of $300 and more through our giving societies. In thanks, we offer a range of benefits—such as special access, exclusive events, and extraordinary experiences—to those individuals whose philanthropic gifts make a significant contribution to the Museum’s unrestricted operating budget.

The Innovators

Philanthropic young professionals (up to age 45) who contribute $500 or more annually enjoy networking events with their peers who share an interest in opportunities to develop their nonprofit leadership skills at the Museum of Science.

The Explorers

Friends of the Museum of Science making annual gifts ranging from $300 to $2,499 receive published recognition and exciting benefits, such as Behind-the-Scenes tours, Insiders Gatherings, and invitations to donor appreciation events.

The Discoverers

Annual donations of $2,500 or higher offer additional unique opportunities for patrons to connect to core Museum activities, including exhibit and program showcases, concierge services, and private receptions with Museum experts and guest speakers.

To make your gift to the Annual Fund at the Museum of Science, call us today at 617-589-0370 or go to mos.org/donate.