

Here's what you did in 2018:

You are building a community of nature lovers.

12,926
PROGRAM ATTENDEES

2,491
PLANETARIUM
ATTENDEES

10,435
PUBLIC
PROGRAM
ATTENDEES

11,610 AND **312**
PASSPORT HIKES (THAT WE KNOW OF) AND PASSPORT FINISHERS

MOST POPULAR PROGRAMS:
Earth Day Festival, Bear Festival, Electric Vehicle Show, Backcountry Film Festival, Summer Family Evenings, and Nature Playtime

Thanks to your support, PEEC purchased a new planetarium projector to continue introducing stargazers of all ages to our incredible skies.

The Rotary Treehouse opened at Bear Festival in August and has already welcomed hundreds of kids ... and a few adults, too!

PEEC

Our supporters make our work possible.

203 VOLUNTEERS GAVE
10,908 HOURS OF THEIR TIME TO SUPPORT PEEC

358 DONORS

738 MEMBER FAMILIES
127 COMMUNITY PARTNERS

PEEC continued partnering with Los Luceros Historic Site and Alcalde Elementary to bring students from Los Alamos and the Valley together on joint field trips to explore nature.

7,415 SCHOOL CHILDREN SERVED IN
354 CLASSROOMS

1 in 4 students were from outside Los Alamos County

6 new exhibits installed

5 monarch butterflies released at the nature center thanks to some incredible volunteers!

18,646 NATURE CENTER VISITORS

LOS ALAMOS COUNTY 12,168	N.M. 2,359	U.S. 3,818	OUTSIDE U.S. 301
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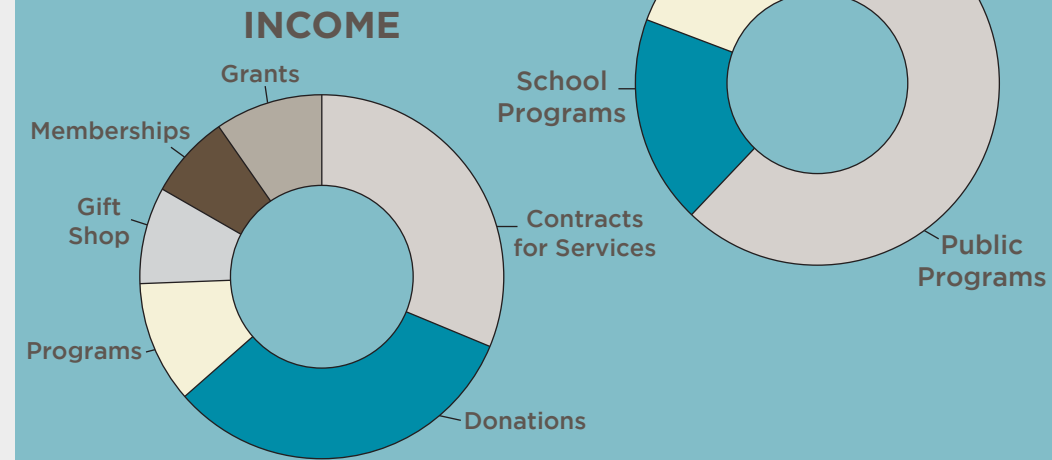
"My 5- and 8-year-old kids were ecstatic to see the development of the Rotary Treehouse and explore it on opening day and after. They sometimes stop on bike rides home to play outside at the nature center and in the amazing structure."
— Michael Dolejsi

"I feel grown-up learning about all the science. I pretty much like it all. Everything is my favorite thing to do with Ms. Denise."
— Zora, age 4, Nature Playtime participant

"I've never been so close to a TREE before!"
— Aspen Kindergartener

"My students were able to study how it is important to preserve our natural resources, including bird species. One of our main highlights was the bird banding project at Bandelier. ... We developed a bird feeder trail and guide book in the Tewa language for Santa Clara Pueblo. We want to thank PEEC for the wonderful opportunities you have provided us!"
— Diane Chavaria, Ka'p'o Community School, Fifth Grade Teacher

Our staff committed to increasing our efforts to reduce waste and have hosted several Zero Waste events and dinners.



Our Mission: Enriching people's lives by strengthening their connections to our canyons, mesas, mountains, and skies.

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Thanks to your support, people from all over the state got a chance to try out backpacking.



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Annual Report 2018

*More people than ever explored nature on the Pajarito Plateau ...
and it's because of you!*

By 2018 the nature center has started to feel like home to so many of you. Some of you meet friends here every week to let your kids play. Others of you stop by when family is visiting to show off your nature center. Some of you are here every Friday night to learn more about what's going on in the skies. Some of you come in each week for your volunteer shift, and some come once a year to celebrate Earth Day with the community.

says, "I love PEEC!" It's because of you and your support, your participation, your feedback, and your love that PEEC is what it is. As we look ahead to our next 20 years (2020 will be our anniversary) we are so glad that you're hiking this trail with us!

Katie

However you use the nature center and our programs, we're so grateful that you are a part of what makes it all work. The nature center and its programs are a staple in the community and a jewel for our region. This year we were honored to be named the top attraction in New Mexico by the New Mexico Hospitality Association and honored by the child-scrawled note left on our comment board that

42,302
people connected to nature

