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# Annual Report

Building Peace by Creating Peacemakers



PEACE

**PAVILION** 

The Peace Pavilion/PeacePathways nonprofit organization is focused on teaching peacemaking skills to all through an interactive children's museum, creating partnerships within the community and with other organizations, and through online and in person peace education.

For the past nearly 30 years in two different locations, the organization has modeled creative ways to teach peaceful ways. Through PeacePathways, partnerships with other nonprofit and for-profit organizations have joined together to promote peace.

## VISION STATEMENT

Peace Pavilion creates paths of justice and peace by promoting peaceful learning, living, and action.

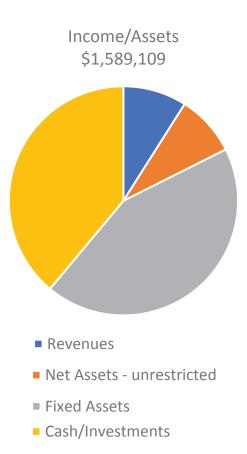
## **MISSION STATEMENT**

Peace Pavilion will equip people of all ages to create peaceful environments and practices in their families, schools, and communities through interactive exploration, education, advocacy, and community collaboration.

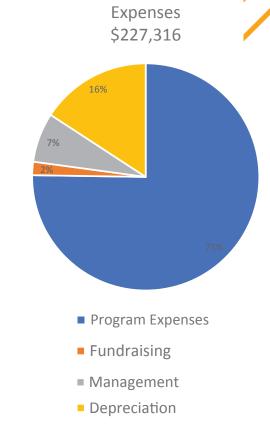
## 2024-2027 STRATEGIC GOALS

- 1. Program Equip people of all ages with peacebuilding skills by providing educational opportunities in multiple formats.
- 2. Communication/Public Relations Share the Pavilion information through online vehicles, community relationships, and program offerings.
- 3. Fundraising Utilize effective methods to financially support the Pavilion and its initiatives.
- 4. Leadership Provide Pavilion stability and successful operation through effective board and staff leadership.
- 5. Partnerships Pursue relationships with organizations and other entities to work together for peace and justice through training, advocacy, and action.

## 2023 FINANCIAL OVERVIEW



The Peace Pavilion's first full year of operation in the new 607 W. Lexington location was in 2023. Because of a generous donation, it was accomplished debt free. Opening in November 2022, the Pavilion has served visitors from all around the greater Kansas City area as well as from locations around the country and the world. Children and adults share their delight in the exhibits and message of the Pavilion. Peace is a lesson that is so essential personally and in relationships. Children learn to practice 'Stop, Think, Peace' through the Pavilion's introductory message. They participate in fun and educational activities in the four exhibit areas - Peace for Me, Peace for Us, Peace for Everyone, and Peace for the Planet. As visitors leave, they usually report that they had a great time. The Peace Pavilion regularly has repeat visitors.





# **SPECIAL EVENTS**

Throughout the year, the Pavilion has hosted several special events including –

Family Fun Fest - celebrating Independence Day with activities and crafts.

Pets for Peace – a Pet Adoption event that included making pet toys.

The Great Pumpkin Party – a Fall-themed party coordinated with the Independence Halloween Parade, including games, crafts, and lunch with admission.

2-for-1 monthly discount days.









## **NEW EXHIBITS**



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