

ANNUAL REPORT 2019 - 20



**Music
Center
of the
Northwest**



FROM THE DIRECTOR

Greetings to our friends, students, supporters, and fellow music lovers!

The past year has been filled with both highs and lows for our school and our community. We now take a moment to look back on all that has happened as we share with you Music Center's 2019-20 annual report.

The year began with great excitement as we celebrated our 30th anniversary followed by the purchase of our beloved building, creating a permanent home for Music Center. Participation was at an all-time high as music filled the air and then, suddenly, the world came to a grinding halt due to the COVID-19 pandemic. We were isolated in our homes, watched businesses close, our neighbors suffer through unemployment and mental health challenges, and witnessed widespread social unrest as we seek a more just society.

While so many things have been taken from us in 2020, music is not one of them. Music must go from the brain, through the heart, and when music comes from the heart it becomes part of who and what we are.

We are looking ahead to brighter days. It is your participation and support which gives us hope as we continue to share music with our community.



Chas Arnold

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Music Center Open House | Sept 2019

BY THE NUMBERS

The year's results are a testament to the tireless efforts made by the faculty, staff, board, partners and patrons. Thank you!

95 MUSIC TOGETHER ENROLLMENTS

135 ADULT CLASS ENROLLMENTS

250 PRIVATE LESSON STUDENTS



Virtual Violin Lessons over Zoom

On March 12th, Music Center's doors closed, but the music never stopped. Our amazing faculty and students have been creative and flexible. Individual instruction transitioned smoothly using digital technology. Ensemble Directors were innovative and resourceful, understanding the limitations which virtual ensembles faced and transitioned their teaching to focus on education over performance. Our goal was to keep our community connected and out of this we have built a stronger bond, together.



559 STUDENTS REACHED AT 35 OUTREACH SESSIONS

390 PARTICIPANTS AT 13 INSTRUMENT PETTING ZOOS

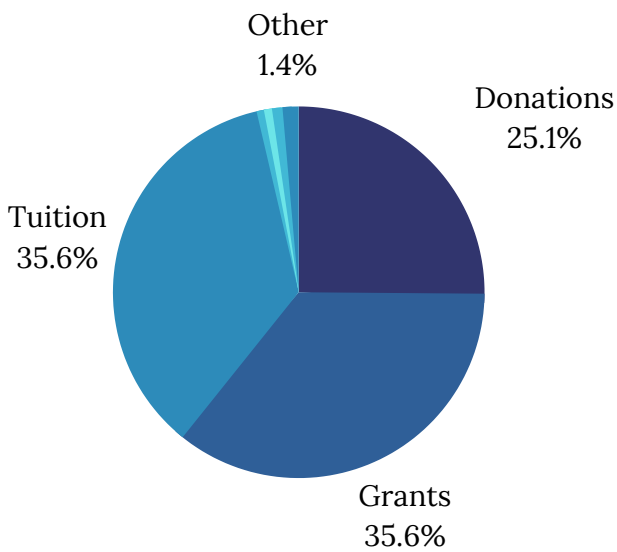
58 attendees joined us for the first **6 concerts** in our new **Little Lunch Music** concert series. More than **1,000 individuals** attended **36 events** at Music Center.

INCOME & EXPENSES

By the Numbers:

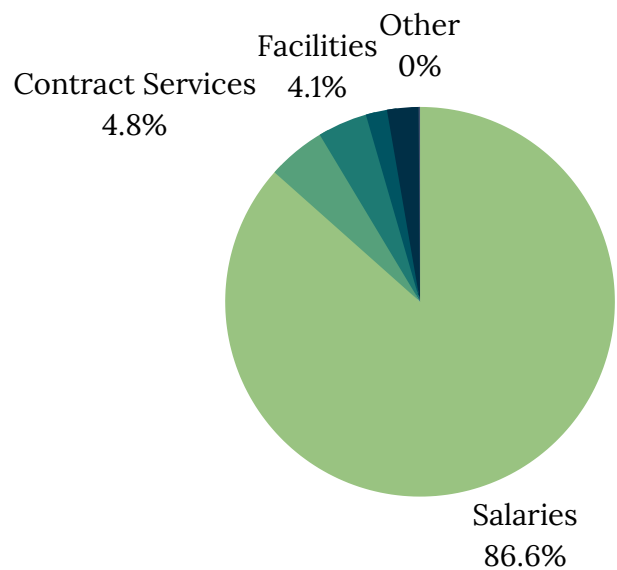
We saw a **22% increase** in private instruction income. Music Together income **fell 50%** and Group Programming income saw a **35% loss**. Our students received **\$24,558** in need-based financial aid for private instruction and group classes.

Income - \$1,486,506*



*\$546,737 - Keys to the Future Capital Campaign

Expenses - \$775,902



In September of 2019, Music Center proudly purchased the Oak Lake Baptist Church, a building which had been home since 1995. A permanent home in our Licton Springs neighborhood cements Music Center's commitment to the community. Thank you to the 289 families who made this dream a reality.



Founder Janice Gockel at MCNW's 30th Anniversary Concert | September 2019

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Board Member Veniese Whittingham performs at the 30th Anniversary Concert | September 2019

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Virtual Music Together class
| Spring 2020

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 | Summer 2020

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Our Mission

Music Center of the Northwest is a non-profit community school located in North Seattle. We believe in the transformative power of music in the lives of people and our community. With a commitment to music education and live performance, Music Center provides access to exceptional musical experiences for people of all ages and abilities, regardless of means.

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