SUPPORTING MEMBERSHIPS

OUR VISION:
Our vision is a society in which curiosity, critical thinking and innovation are embraced as tools for understanding and thriving in a changing world.

OUR MISSION:
Our mission is to provide interactive learning experiences in science and technology that inspire creativity, innovation, and lead to real-world application.

WHY?
Creativity and critical thinking are imperative to a student’s success at using science and technology to solve real world problems. During times where understanding science is more important than ever, it is crucial to engage children of all ages in meaningful learning opportunities. Informal education in STEAM topics, such as those provided at Montana Science Center, allow families to engage with science and technology in a fun, interactive way that encourages discovery through play. Visitors to the Center spark curiosity and discover something new while building trust in science. Businesses can support opportunities for families and classrooms to explore and learn together through imaginative exhibits, innovation stations, and high-tech computer programs.

WHERE SCIENCE & PLAY CONNECT:
In January 2020, Montana Science Center reopened in our new location across from Gallatin Valley Mall. From its roots as a hands-on children’s museum focused on meaningful family collaboration through play, MSC has grown into an informal education center of science and technology. Children and families who learn through playing together are more likely to discover curiosity and engage in exploration.
WHO WILL BENEFIT?

We understand that children make profound meaning from direct experience. Facilitating pathways for exploratory play is at the heart of Montana Science Center. Introducing members of our community, of all ages, to a foundation of STEAM topics as fun, engaging experiences drives a desire to learn more about real world problems and to look into innovative ways to solve these problems. Students from classrooms all over the state make meaningful connections with science topics during field trips to the Center and outreach at their schools by MSC staff. High-tech is a dominant industry in our state that is driving workforce needs. In order to facilitate this, it is incredibly important to teach our youngest generations the skills they need to adapt to the pace of growth in our world.

Additionally, no family or classroom is turned away due to inability to pay. MSC partners with the Bozeman Public Library, mentorship organizations such as Big Brother Big Sisters, Museums for All (discounted admission programs), and many more opportunities to encourage families to visit regardless of their socioeconomic status. Business Memberships directly support these families by supporting MSC.

We invite businesses to provide STEAM learning through exploration to our community with a supporting Business Membership. Businesses invest in our community, particularly in the future generation of Bozeman, by investing in programs and exhibits at Montana Science Center.

CONTACT

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Visit us at our new location:
2744 W. Main St.
Bozeman, MT 59718
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DETAILS ABOUT THE BENEFITS

Here are descriptive details about the different events and sponsorship opportunities included with your Business Support. Please contact us for further details regarding sponsorship benefits, marketing opportunities and employee involvement.

1. **Business Family Fun Day**: Host a private family day for your employees or host an open day for the public!

2. **STEAM Saturday**: Each Saturday, at our Science Station, our program team hosts a community member or science-focused organization to facilitate hands-on science projects and demonstrations. These activities are included with admission to the Science Center and are an exciting opportunity for families to learn about science in a whole new way, and to participate in interactive learning opportunities.

3. **Take-Home Science Kits**: In response to COVID-19, we have developed science kits for parents to pick up for at-home activities while families quarantine. These kits feature one themed topic, such as Spy!, and one kit for each age group: 3-5, 6-8, 9-12. These kits are available to any family that wants to purchase them for pick up or to be mailed. Sponsorship includes marketing materials within the kits.

4. **Evening in Science**: Our annual gala evening focuses on bringing the cool tech and science being developed within our community to our supporters in a fun, interactive way. Set-up as an “Adult Science Fair,” this evening brings businesses, MSU projects and hobbyists together to showcase all kinds of super fun activities to raise money for informal STEM Education. Sponsors receive all event benefits.

5. **Science Carnival**: This is a family friendly fundraiser that incorporates science experiments in a carnival setting, engineering challenges and more to raise money for the Science Center. Families join us for food, drinks and a silent auction while enjoying interactive, carnival style activities at the Center. Sponsors receive all event benefits, can volunteer and can present an activity.

6. **Women in STEM**: This advisory group and the adjoining events focus on bringing together families in our community with local women in STEM careers, either professionals or students at Montana State University. By sponsoring this programming, sponsors get marketing opportunities and sponsor benefits throughout the program including Women in STEM Days.

7. **STEAMlab**: Our high-tech makerspace, STEAMlab, is the heart of the Science Center. In this space we host day and summer camps, school field trips, and Open Lab - our self-directed, supervised play time. Adapted for the limitations of COVID-19, kids can safely join us for machine take-apart, coding lessons, 3D design & printing, Minecraft and more! Many kids bring their own projects in to get help and work together. Sponsorship in the STEAMlab includes marketing benefits and opportunities for volunteering.
INFORMATION WE NEED FROM YOU

Thank you for investing in science and technology education in Bozeman for all of Montana and beyond!

Business Name: ___________________________________________________________________________________

Contact Name: ____________________________________________________________________________________

Mailing Address: __________________________________________________________________________________

Contact phone:_______________________________________________ Contact email: ____________________________________________________________

Business Website: _____________________________________________ Business is on Instagram Facebook Twitter

Business Membership Level: ____________________________________ Sponsor Opportunity Choice: ____________________________________________

Name of Family receiving included membership:______________________________

Mailing address of Family: _____________________________________________ Phone: _________________________________________

Email address for family membership: ____________________________________________

Additional Email addresses of business employees: ___________________________________________________________________________________

Please email business logo, if applicable, to:
Abby Turner, Executive Director - aturner@montanasciencecenter.org

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