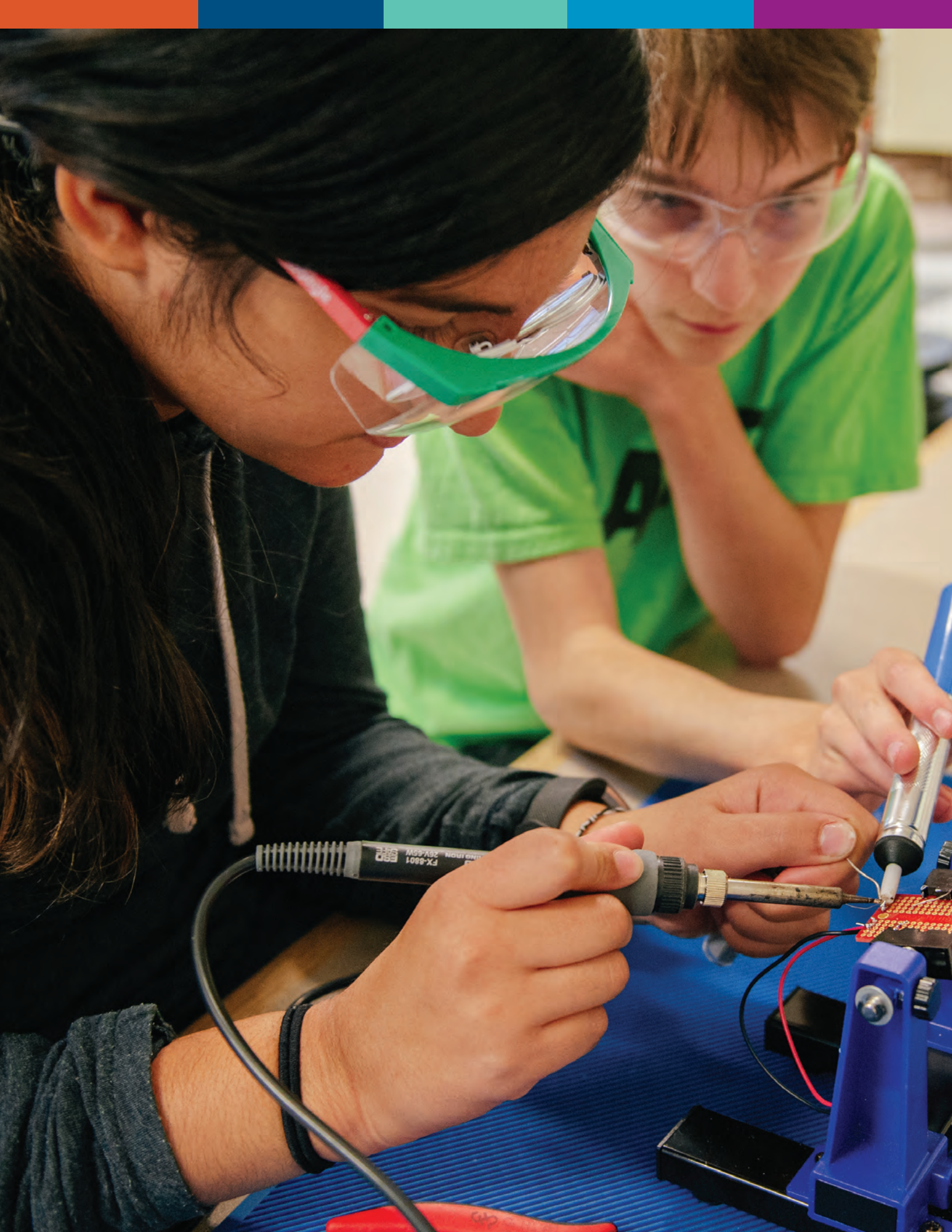




AMERICAN MONTESSORI SOCIETY®
education that transforms lives

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LOOKING AHEAD... WITH THE BOARD PRESIDENT & CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

DEAR AMS MEMBERS AND COMMUNITY,

We are a global community of doers and dreamers, movers and shakers. We are proud of where we come from and where we are going.

Over the last year, we have taken our first steps toward a renewed AMS. An AMS focused on innovation and growth. An AMS that informs policy, pushes Montessori advocacy, drives increased interest in the Montessori profession, promotes rigorous standards, and serves our children first—regardless of race, color, creed, gender identification, or any other distinguishing characteristic.

At our summer 2018 board meeting, directors and leadership staff used information captured in a recent stakeholder survey, along with thoughts provided by community members about factors, trends, and forces at work surrounding AMS, to draft a new mission statement. The statement was subsequently approved, unanimously, by the board, as a descriptor of the “why” of AMS and it will inform all of our future initiatives. We are thrilled to present it to you:

Empowering humanity to build a better world through Montessori.

We have also set forth new strategic priorities, which revolve around five themes:

- Inclusion/Equity
- Membership
- Institutional Advancement
- Quality
- Communication

Look for more information in the coming months.

We have reorganized our staff structure to maximize efficiency, and built out new positions to better serve you. Please visit the Contact Us page of the AMS website to see all the enthusiastic members of our team—and don't hesitate to reach out. We would love to hear from you!

AMS is a strong organization of talented Montessori champions who are nurturing the change makers of tomorrow so that we may have a better, more peaceful, and more prosperous world. Thank you for being part of the largest and most impactful Montessori organization in the world. You are integral to all that we do.

Sincerely,



MUNIR SHIVJI
Board President



TIMOTHY J. PURNELL, EdD
Chief Executive Officer



March For Our Lives

More than 2,000 Montessorians attending our AMS 2018 Annual Conference in Denver, CO, chose to join the local March For Our Lives—a national event, organized by students, in response to the epidemic of mass school shootings. AMS provided marchers with signs and buttons, as well as recordings of that afternoon's workshops so that they could still experience sessions they had missed. A shared mission brought us to Colorado. That same mission led us to the streets for March for Our Lives.



“Participating in this March was one of the most profound moments in my career as a teacher. Watching these young people organize, rally, and lead our country in a movement to say, ‘We have had enough,’ not only makes me unbelievably proud to be a teacher, but motivates me to dig deeper, work harder, and be better every time I walk into my school.”

“A message to the youth of my country: You inspire and move me, and today I couldn’t be more proud to stand behind you, fight for you, and march alongside you.”



We gathered in Denver by the thousands at the AMS Annual Conference—the largest Montessori event in the world—to inspire one another, exchange ideas, dream without limitations, provoke new possibilities, and share in the joy of the children’s work and one another’s accomplishments. Keynote speaker, iconic traveler, and bestselling author Rick Steves shared his thoughts on how travel can be a force for peace and understanding in the world. A favorite moment of AMS’s was when he danced the night away with attendees at the Friday Night Lively.

AMS 2018 ANNUAL CONFERENCE AT A GLANCE

- Close to 4,000 attendees
- From 25 countries
- From 49 U.S. states
- 263 presenters
- 3 keynote addresses
- 180 workshops and networking sessions

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT



“I really enjoyed the webinar, but even more so I liked the ability to share ideas on the chat. We could have kept talking for hours. Great way to connect with people across the country (and world!).”



ONLINE PD IN FY18

- DEBUTED 2 ONLINE CLASSES
- 10 NEW LIVE WEBINARS
- 100 ON-DEMAND WEBINARS
- 3,000 WEBINAR ATTENDEES
- OUR FIRST VIRTUAL PASS ENABLING 250 PEOPLE TO JOIN US FROM THE COMFORT OF HOME OR WORK

ONLINE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Behind the scenes, staff were hard at work creating our first 2 online classes, multi-module virtual classrooms that go well beyond a traditional webinar experience. Originally offered as live productions, both are now available on our website for rental on-demand. The topics are “Creating a Culture for Spontaneous Activity” and “Inclusion & Montessori Philosophy.”



- 2,205 ADULT LEARNERS
- 1,591 IN THE U.S.
- 614 INTERNATIONALLY
- 1,620 CREDENTIALS AWARDED
- 94 AFFILIATED TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAMS

TEACHER EDUCATION

After 2 years of research, both internally and through an AMS Online Task Force, the AMS Teacher Education Action Commission (TEAC) has proposed new standards for online learning in AMS-affiliated teacher education programs. These standards allow for more online hours and greater access to professional development for AMS members.

We are committed to providing high quality, meaningful benefits to our affiliating members and greater access to AMS teacher training. To facilitate programs transition to online learning, AMS teacher education recently launched “Online Onboard,” which provides free training in online course development, a host of resources, and equitable access to a robust learning management system.

EMERGING LEADERS FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

In March 2018, we bade farewell to our first cohort of emerging leaders and welcomed our second cohort, an enthusiastic group of 16 Montessori-credentialed teachers determined to take their involvement in Montessori education to new levels. The program provides a year of structured learning, mentoring, and networking opportunities, and the selection process is a competitive one.

“I was empowered, encouraged, and inspired...learning from wise and generous mentors.”

“At every turn I was encouraged to grow.”

“Being encouraged to exercise initiative and leadership allowed me to feel so much more connected and...committed to Montessori as an national/international movement.”

MEMBERSHIP



- WORLDWIDE MEMBERSHIP REPRESENTING 70 COUNTRIES
- 14,744 INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS
- 1,520 SCHOOL MEMBERS

10% INCREASE SINCE FY17 | 10% PUBLIC/CHARTER | 90% PRIVATE

“As an AMS member, I enjoy the professional development opportunities that AMS provides, which allow me to build camaraderie with other Montessorians.”

“AMS gives me the opportunity to stay connected with friends many miles away!”

DID YOU KNOW? In FY18, 191,000 students were served in AMS member schools worldwide.

DEVELOPMENT

“[Our students] earn money by running a school store. After hearing about the devastation of the hurricanes...they were passionate about [donating to] Montessori schools that were affected.”

“Our Upper Elementary students worked hard to bring in the funds totalling \$1,088.58. They carefully counted and rolled the coins themselves.”



A Fund for Schools Impacted by Recent Hurricanes

In September 2017, upon witnessing the devastation caused by Hurricanes Harvey, Maria and Irma, AMS launched a Rebuild Your School campaign to help Montessori schools that were affected. Members and others in the community quickly sprang into action, raising over \$65,500 through student bake sales, pizza lunches, and more, which they donated to the Fund. AMS donated 100% of the proceeds to 15 member and non-member schools in Florida, Puerto Rico, St. Maarten, Texas, and Virgin Islands to help them rebuild and replace books and materials.



SPRINGTIME FANCY LIGHTS! CAMERA! FASHION!

In March, we took a turn on the catwalk and celebrated our 9th annual Springtime Fancy, which was held during our Annual Conference in Denver, CO. Attendees enjoyed a night of glitz and glam with the first-ever AMS fashion show. The event raised \$126,600 for our Emerging Leaders Fellowship Program, which supports Montessori-credentialed teachers working to expand their spheres of influence in the community.

DID YOU KNOW? In Fiscal Year 2018, AMS awarded \$164,658 in grants and scholarships to individuals around the globe to support education for peace, teacher education, and research. We also recognized outstanding members of our community, with awards to celebrate their contributions in Montessori. The 2018 AMS Living Legacies were D'Neil and Michael Duffy. Marlene Barron received the Dr. Nancy McCormick Rambusch Pioneering Award. Karen Kenison (Nienhuis Montessori USA), was awarded the Douglas M. Gravel Benefactor Award. We also laid the groundwork for establishing additional future awards that celebrate Montessori innovators and ambassadors.

SCHOOL QUALITY & RESEARCH

AMS-accredited schools reached 191 in FY18—an all-time high. We salute these programs for their concerted efforts to achieve and sustain rigorous standards of Montessori education, enabling them to reach Step 10 on our Pathway of Continuous School Improvement. Hats off, as well, to the other 77 schools also participating in the Pathway. Their dedication to school improvement is commendable and we are proud to be supporting these schools with personalized consultations and resources as a part of their school membership.



**268 schools on
the Pathway of
Continuous School
improvement,
including 191
accredited schools**

“We have been an AMS Accredited school for over 20 years. Accreditation guides schools to make choices that uphold them to the highest standards, and encourages continuous improvement. Parents indicate that this is how they know we are the ‘gold standard’ of education.”

DID YOU KNOW? We are partners with 23 accrediting agencies, as well as with numerous state and national school organizations. This keeps us abreast of policies that may affect our member schools, and helps ensure that we have a voice on the education landscape. This enables us to maintain a Montessori voice at the table when decisions are being made that could affect our member schools.

RESEARCH

In FY18 our *Journal of Montessori Research* saw a whopping 14,882 downloads—a sure sign of the toehold this field has taken in the education community. And, we did a “mini-overhaul” of the *Journal* to give it an improved user experience. It’s available online in an open-source forum—you can find a link in the Research section of our website. We also added a “Research Alley” to our 2018 Annual Conference, where attendees could review presentations from our 10th Annual Poster Session, held earlier during the event; and we laid the groundwork for a Research Library on the new AMS website, which would include opportunities for filtering research by type, and more. Finally, we created a new position for an additional staff member—Research Manager & Content Specialist—who has since been hired, and is working alongside our Senior Researcher.



MARKETING & COMMUNICATIONS

Visit amshq.org to experience the all-new online hub of AMS! Having completed several phases of development in fiscal years 2017 and 2018, we launched the site in early 2019—almost 8 years, to the day, from the launch of the previous site. Created with several stakeholder groups in mind, our new website includes the Montessori Marketplace, an abundant research library, a message board, interactive Find a School and Find a Teacher Education Program directories, and so much more.



Also in FY18, we rebranded our Annual Conference as The Montessori Event—the largest and most impactful Montessori gathering in the world. We created a separate conference mini-site, which enables filtering by event type and other attributes: amshq.org/conference.



In addition, we visited 12 member schools to direct photo shoots for our marketing materials, and 9 schools to capture interviews and imagery for new videos—one on Montessori for Infants & Toddlers, and one on Montessori at the Secondary level. Transport yourself to Montessori classrooms all from the comforts of your couch by watching them on amshq.org.

MARKETING

Recently, we have begun to rapidly expand our advertising efforts. At a glance: AMS has launched a series of digital public awareness ads aimed at parents. Advertising conveys the core components of Montessori education, and invites parents to learn about Montessori classrooms and find AMS member schools in their area.

AMS is helping to bring new teachers into Montessori education through a digital public awareness campaign; event marketing efforts at education conferences throughout the United States; and teacher education scholarships—helping those who cannot on their own afford the cost of training.

REACH OF THE ORGANIZATION:

- ▶ *Montessori Life*: 225,000 readers annually
- ▶ 56,000 readers per issue
- ▶ Social Media reach: 28,400+ Facebook followers
- ▶ Average Facebook post reaches 38,000 people
- ▶ 5,700 Twitter followers
- ▶ 50,000 people receive AMS emails
- ▶ Web traffic in FY18: 1.2M visitors, with 3.6M page views



The American Montessori Society raises funds to support the organization's programs and services, which further Montessori education.

To achieve our fundraising goals we rely on you—our dedicated members and friends. Every gift, regardless of size, makes a difference.

Thank you for your continued support!

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NIENHUIS MONTESSORI USA/HEUTINK
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WALTON FAMILY FOUNDATION

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IN HONOR OF D'NEIL & MICHAEL DUFFY
■ PEACE FUND

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JULY 1, 2017 – JUNE 30, 2018.
We have made every effort to be accurate in
acknowledging all who have contributed to our
organization. If your name has been overlooked,
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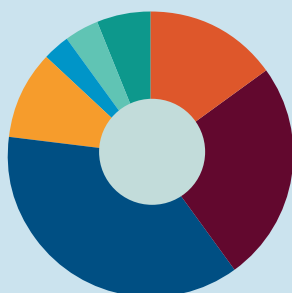
Our organization generated a surplus of \$877,288 on the back of solid revenue growth and sustained cost discipline. Revenues rose about 8% to almost \$7M on the back of rising membership count, a successful annual conference in Denver, investment gains from rising capital markets, and an exceptional contribution for the launch of the Montessori Public Policy Initiative. On the other hand, expenditures rose about 9%, mainly driven by higher staff headcount to support our program initiatives.

We are also pleased to share that program services accounted for 87% of our total budget expenditures, well ahead of the Better Business Bureau accountability standards set for non-profits (65%). This strong activity resulted in a further strengthening of our balance sheet, with net assets ending the year over \$6.7M, a record for our organization. The same picture emerges when looking at our cash flow statement and overall liquidity: AMS generated \$867,390 in operating cash flow, \$434,622 of which was allocated to some major IT-related capital projects. Our liquidity ended the year at \$617,690 in cash and \$6.5M in investments, putting us in a favorable position to roll out our strategic priorities in 2019 and beyond.

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES	FY 18	FY 17	FY 16
REVENUE AND OTHER SUPPORT			
MEMBERSHIP DUES & FEES	\$2,577,485	\$2,451,940	\$2,351,259
TEACHER EDUCATION DUES & FEES	\$677,016	\$621,176	\$549,716
CONFERENCES & SYMPOSIA	\$1,773,058	\$1,730,582	\$1,772,773
WEBINARS & PUBLICATIONS	\$205,757	\$196,966	\$199,824
ROYALTY INCOME & ADVERTISING	\$255,391	\$278,075	\$258,467
CONTRIBUTIONS	\$1,077,080	\$607,776	\$315,602
INVESTMENT INCOME	\$416,398	\$554,605	\$46,664
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	\$28,275	\$11,957	\$40,901
TOTAL REVENUE AND OTHER SUPPORT	\$7,010,460	\$6,453,077	\$5,535,206
EXPENSES - PROGRAM SERVICES			
MEMBERSHIP	\$1,844,665	\$1,723,048	\$1,757,868
TEACHER EDUCATION	\$827,941	\$670,069	\$528,200
WEBINARS & PUBLICATIONS	\$570,719	\$486,882	\$413,695
CONFERENCES	\$1,610,155	\$1,484,439	\$1,409,711
SCHOLARSHIP, PEACE, & RESEARCH	\$210,933	\$135,000	\$99,319
OTHER (PUBLIC POLICY, STATE MAPPING, ADVOCACY)	\$277,434	\$154,844	\$36,392
TOTAL PROGRAM SERVICES	\$5,341,847	\$4,654,282	\$4,245,185
SUPPORTING SERVICES			
MANAGEMENT & GENERAL	\$402,930	\$592,204	\$517,702
FUNDRAISING	\$388,395	\$382,726	\$381,333
TOTAL SUPPORTING SERVICES	\$791,325	\$974,930	\$899,035
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$6,133,172	\$5,629,212	\$5,144,220
INCREASE IN NET ASSETS	\$877,288	\$823,865	\$390,986
NET ASSETS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$5,830,041	\$5,006,176	\$4,615,190
NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR	\$6,707,329	\$5,830,041	\$5,006,176

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REVENUE FY18



15% FUNDRAISING:
\$1,077,080

25% CONFERENCE &
SYMPOSIA: \$1,773,058

37% MEMBERSHIP DUES
& FEES: \$2,577,485

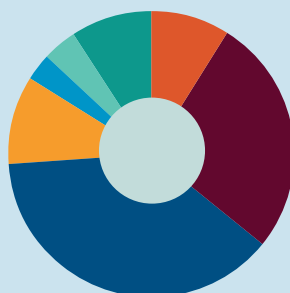
10% TEACHER EDUCATION
DUES & FEES: \$677,016

3% WEBINARS &
PUBLICATIONS: \$205,757

4% ROYALTY INCOME &
ADVERTISING: \$255,391

6% OTHER:
\$446,673

REVENUE FY17



9% FUNDRAISING:
\$607,776

27% CONFERENCE &
SYMPOSIA: \$1,730,582

38% MEMBERSHIP DUES &
FEES: \$2,451,940

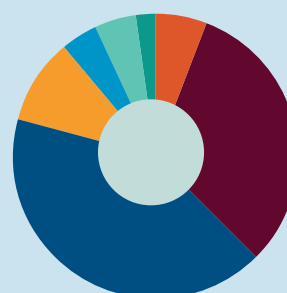
10% TEACHER EDUCATION
DUES & FEES: \$621,176

3% WEBINARS &
PUBLICATIONS: \$196,966

4% ROYALTY INCOME &
ADVERTISING: \$278,075

9% OTHER:
\$566,562

REVENUE FY16



6% FUNDRAISING:
\$315,602

32% CONFERENCE &
SYMPOSIA: \$1,772,773

42% MEMBERSHIP DUES &
FEES: \$2,351,259

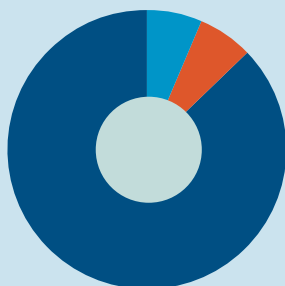
10% TEACHER EDUCATION
DUES & FEES: \$549,716

4% WEBINARS &
PUBLICATIONS: \$199,824

5% ROYALTY INCOME &
ADVERTISING: \$258,467

1% OTHER:
\$87,565

EXPENSES FY18

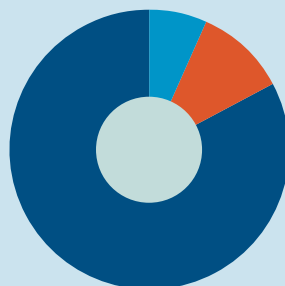


6.3% FUNDRAISING:
\$388,395

6.6% MANAGEMENT &
GENERAL: \$402,930

87.1% PROGRAM:
\$5,341,847

EXPENSES FY17

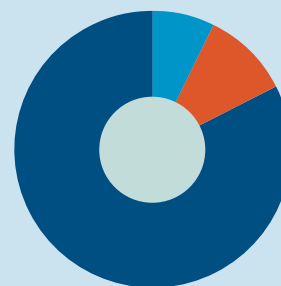


6.8% FUNDRAISING:
\$382,726

10.5% MANAGEMENT &
GENERAL: \$592,204

82.7% PROGRAM:
\$4,654,282

EXPENSES FY16



7.4% FUNDRAISING:
\$381,333

10.1% MANAGEMENT &
GENERAL: \$517,702

82.5% PROGRAM:
\$4,245,185

FY18 NET ASSETS:

\$6,707,329

FY17 NET ASSETS:

\$5,830,041

FY16 NET ASSETS:

\$5,006,176

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MISSION

Empowering humanity
to build a better world
through Montessori.

VALUES

All of the work that we do
is founded on values of
respect, integrity, diversity,
inclusiveness, responsibility,
and enthusiasm.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

INCLUSION/EQUITY: AMS will model and ensure the advancement of principles of equity, diversity, and inclusion by creating an environment in which all feel welcomed, respected, valued, and empowered.

QUALITY: AMS will define, promote, advocate for, and help its members deliver quality Montessori education and services.

MEMBERSHIP: AMS will provide a professional environment, rich in services, so that members grow and thrive as a strong and expanding global Montessori community.

COMMUNICATION: AMS will raise awareness and understanding of the organization's mission, vision, and actions to all stakeholders for the purpose of strengthening the Montessori collective voice.

INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT: AMS will ensure that it has significant resources, practices, programs, and facilities to deliver services and cultivate relationships in order to expand and strengthen its position as a voice for Montessori.



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education that transforms lives

