

Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax

2002

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

Open to Public Inspection

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements

**A** For the 2002 calendar year, or tax year beginning 8/01, 2002, and ending 7/31, 2003

**B** Check if applicable:  
 Address change  
 Name change  
 Initial return  
 Final return  
 Amended return  
 Application pending

Please use IRS label or print or type. See specific instructions.

**DISCOVERY CENTER OF SPRINGFIELD, INC**  
 438 E ST LOUIS  
 SPRINGFIELD, MO 65806

**D** Employer identification number: 43-1568214

**E** Telephone number: 417-862-9910

**F** Accounting method:  Cash  Accrual  
 Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

**G** Web site: N/A

**J** Organization type (check only one):  501(c) 3 (insert no)  4947(a)(1) or  527

**K** Check here  if the organization's gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000. The organization need not file a return with the IRS, but if the organization received a Form 990 Package in the mail, it should file a return without financial data. Some states require a complete return.

**L** Gross receipts. Add lines 6b, 8b, 9b, and 10b to line 12: 1,668,880.

**H** and **I** are not applicable to section 527 organizations.

**H (a)** Is this a group return for affiliates?  Yes  No

**H (b)** If Yes, enter number of affiliates: \_\_\_\_\_

**H (c)** Are all affiliates included?  Yes  No (If No, attach a list. See instructions.)

**H (d)** Is this a separate return filed by an organization covered by a group ruling?  Yes  No

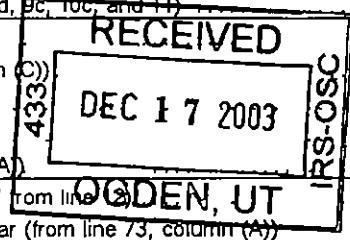
**I** Enter 4-digit GEN: \_\_\_\_\_

**M** Check  if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990 EZ, or 990 PF).

**Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).**

**Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances** (See Instructions)

<b>1</b> Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received			
<b>a</b> Direct public support	<b>1 a</b>	1,412,866.	
<b>b</b> Indirect public support	<b>1 b</b>		
<b>c</b> Government contributions (grants)	<b>1 c</b>		
<b>d</b> Total (add lines 1a through 1c) (cash \$ 1,318,389. noncash \$ 94,477.)	<b>1 d</b>		1,412,866
<b>2</b> Program service revenue including government fees and contracts (from Part VII, line 93)	<b>2</b>		145,602
<b>3</b> Membership dues and assessments	<b>3</b>		
<b>4</b> Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	<b>4</b>		741
<b>5</b> Dividends and interest from securities	<b>5</b>		
<b>6 a</b> Gross rents	<b>6 a</b>	9,755.	
<b>b</b> Less rental expenses	<b>6 b</b>		
<b>c</b> Net rental income or (loss) (subtract line 6b from line 6a)	<b>6 c</b>		9,755
<b>7</b> Other investment income (describe _____)	<b>7</b>		
<b>8 a</b> Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(A) Securities		(B) Other
<b>b</b> Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	<b>8 a</b>		
<b>c</b> Gain or (loss) (attach schedule)	<b>8 b</b>		
<b>d</b> Net gain or (loss) (combine line 8c, columns (A) and (B))	<b>8 c</b>		
<b>8 d</b>	<b>8 d</b>		
<b>9</b> Special events and activities (attach schedule)			
<b>a</b> Gross revenue (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1a)	<b>9 a</b>	73,910.	
<b>b</b> Less direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	<b>9 b</b>	17,280.	
<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from special events (subtract line 9b from line 9a)	<b>9 c</b>	Statement 1	56,630
<b>10 a</b> Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	<b>10 a</b>	24,317.	
<b>b</b> Less cost of goods sold	<b>10 b</b>	11,756.	
<b>c</b> Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (attach schedule) (subtract line 10b from line 10a)	<b>10 c</b>	Statement 2	12,561.
<b>11</b> Other revenue (from Part VII, line 103)	<b>11</b>		1,689
<b>12</b> Total revenue (add lines 1d, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6c, 7, 8d, 9c, 10c, and 11)	<b>12</b>		1,639,844.
<b>13</b> Program services (from line 44, column (B))	<b>13</b>		907,623
<b>14</b> Management and general (from line 44, column (C))	<b>14</b>		81,921
<b>15</b> Fundraising (from line 44, column (D))	<b>15</b>		70,108
<b>16</b> Payments to affiliates (attach schedule)	<b>16</b>		
<b>17</b> Total expenses (add lines 16 and 44, column (A))	<b>17</b>		1,059,652
<b>18</b> Excess or (deficit) for the year (subtract line 17 from line 12)	<b>18</b>		580,192
<b>19</b> Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 73, column (A))	<b>19</b>		3,214,018.
<b>20</b> Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)	<b>20</b>		
<b>21</b> Net assets or fund balances at end of year (combine lines 18, 19, and 20)	<b>21</b>		3,794,210



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EXPENSES  
ASSETS

**Part II Statement of Functional Expenses** All organizations must complete column (A) Columns (B), (C), and (D) are required for section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts but optional for others

Do not include amounts reported on line 6b, 8b, 9b, 10b, or 16 of Part I	(A) Total	(B) Program services	(C) Management and general	(D) Fundraising
22 Grants and allocations (att sch) (cash \$ _____ non cash \$ _____)	22			
23 Specific assistance to individuals (att sch)	23			
24 Benefits paid to or for members (att sch)	24			
25 Compensation of officers, directors, etc	25			
26 Other salaries and wages	26 421,041.	333,895	45,493	41,653
27 Pension plan contributions	27			
28 Other employee benefits	28 7,393	5,863	799	731
29 Payroll taxes	29 33,704	26,728	3,642.	3,334
30 Professional fundraising fees	30			
31 Accounting fees	31 67,271	42,741	3,530	21,000
32 Legal fees	32			
33 Supplies	33 1,940	1,940.		
34 Telephone	34 10,578	9,408	1,170	
35 Postage and shipping	35 6,441	3,403	1,289	1,749
36 Occupancy	36			
37 Equipment rental and maintenance	37			
38 Printing and publications	38 221.	221		
39 Travel	39 15,952	15,952		
40 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	40			
41 Interest	41 2,065	2,065.		
42 Depreciation, depletion, etc (attach schedule)	42 157,482	149,608.	7,874	
43 Other expenses not covered above (itemize)				
a See Statement 3	43a 335,564.	315,799.	18,124	1,641
b -----	43b			
c -----	43c			
d -----	43d			
e -----	43e			
44 Total functional expenses (add lines 22-43) Organizations completing columns (B) (D), carry these totals to lines 13 - 15	44 1,059,652	907,623.	81,921.	70,108

**Joint Costs** Check  if you are following SOP 98-2  
 Are any joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation reported in (B) Program services?  Yes  No  
 If 'Yes,' enter (i) the aggregate amount of these joint costs \$ \_\_\_\_\_, (ii) the amount allocated to program services \$ \_\_\_\_\_, (iii) the amount allocated to management and general \$ \_\_\_\_\_, and (iv) the amount allocated to fundraising \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments**

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? <u>EDUCATION</u> <small>All organizations must describe their exempt purpose achievements in a clear and concise manner. State the number of clients served, publications issued, etc. Discuss achievements that are not measurable. (Section 501(c)(3) &amp; (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must also enter the amount of grants &amp; allocations to others.)</small>	Program Service Expenses <small>(Required for 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) trusts, but optional for others.)</small>
a <u>INTERACTIVE EXHIBITS WHICH COMBINE SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ARTS, HUMANITIES AND HEALTH TO PROVIDE LEARNING EXPERIENCES FOR FAMILIES</u> _____ (Grants and allocations \$ _____)	907,623
b ----- _____ (Grants and allocations \$ _____)	
c ----- _____ (Grants and allocations \$ _____)	
d ----- _____ (Grants and allocations \$ _____)	
e Other program services (Grants and allocations \$ _____)	
f Total of Program Service Expenses (should equal line 44, column (B), program services)	907,623

**Part IV** Balance Sheets (See Instructions)

Note		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
ASSETS	45 Cash – non-interest bearing	134,592.	45	341,057
	46 Savings and temporary cash investments		46	
	47 a Accounts receivable		47 a	
	b Less allowance for doubtful accounts		47 b	47 c
	48 a Pledges receivable	359,913.	48 a	
	b Less allowance for doubtful accounts		48 b	48 c
	49 Grants receivable		49	359,913
	50 Receivables from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees (attach schedule)		50	
	51 a Other notes & loans receivable (attach sch)		51 a	
	b Less allowance for doubtful accounts		51 b	51 c
	52 Inventories for sale or use	8,248	52	12,294
	53 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	39,231.	53	17,098
	54 Investments – securities (attach schedule)	4,500	54	4,500
	55 a Investments – land, buildings, & equipment basis		55 a	
	b Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule)		55 b	55 c
	56 Investments – other (attach schedule)		56	
	57 a Land, buildings, and equipment basis	4,378,447.	57 a	
	b Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule)		57 b	57 c
	58 Other assets (describe ▶ <u>See Statement 4</u> )	119,655	58	190,098.
59 <b>Total assets</b> (add lines 45 through 58) (must equal line 74)	3,547,718.	59	4,223,551	
LIABILITIES	60 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	13,046.	60	45,492.
	61 Grants payable		61	
	62 Deferred revenue	18,160.	62	19,537.
	63 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees (attach schedule)		63	
	64 a Tax exempt bond liabilities (attach schedule)		64 a	
	b Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)	274,344	64 b	346,729.
	65 Other liabilities (describe ▶ <u>See Statement 6</u> )	28,150.	65	17,583.
66 <b>Total liabilities</b> (add lines 60 through 65)	333,700	66	429,341.	
FUNDS OR FUND BALANCES	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 67 through 69 and lines 73 and 74			
	67 Unrestricted	2,976,866	67	3,092,976
	68 Temporarily restricted	237,152.	68	701,234.
	69 Permanently restricted		69	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 70 through 74			
	70 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds		70	
	71 Paid in or capital surplus, or land, building, and equipment fund		71	
	72 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		72	
	73 <b>Total net assets or fund balances</b> (add lines 67 through 69 or lines 70 through 72, column (A) must equal line 19, column (B) must equal line 21)	3,214,018	73	3,794,210.
	74 <b>Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances</b> (add lines 66 and 73)	3,547,718.	74	4,223,551.

Form 990 is available for public inspection and, for some people, serves as the primary or sole source of information about a particular organization. How the public perceives an organization in such cases may be determined by the information presented on its return. Therefore, please make sure the return is complete and accurate and fully describes, in Part III, the organization's programs and accomplishments.

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**Part IV-A Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements with Revenue per Return (See instructions)**

**Part IV-B Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements with Expenses per Return**

<b>a</b>	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	<b>a</b>	1,639,844.
<b>b</b>	Amounts included on line a but not on line 12, Form 990		
(1)	Net unrealized gains on investments \$		
(2)	Donated services and use of facilities \$		
(3)	Recoveries of prior year grants \$		
(4)	Other (specify)		
	----- \$		
	Add amounts on lines (1) through (4)	<b>b</b>	
<b>c</b>	Line a minus line b	<b>c</b>	1,639,844.
<b>d</b>	Amounts included on line 12, Form 990 but not on line a		
(1)	Investment expenses not included on line 6b, Form 990 \$		
(2)	Other (specify)		
	----- \$		
	Add amounts on lines (1) and (2)	<b>d</b>	
<b>e</b>	Total revenue per line 12, Form 990 (line c plus line d)	<b>e</b>	1,639,844

<b>a</b>	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	<b>a</b>	1,059,652
<b>b</b>	Amounts included on line a but not on line 17, Form 990		
(1)	Donated services and use of facilities \$		
(2)	Prior year adjustments reported on line 20, Form 990 \$		
(3)	Losses reported on line 20, Form 990 \$		
(4)	Other (specify)		
	----- \$		
	Add amounts on lines (1) through (4)	<b>b</b>	
<b>c</b>	Line a minus line b	<b>c</b>	1,059,652.
<b>d</b>	Amounts included on line 17, Form 990 but not on line a:		
(1)	Investment expenses not included on line 6b, Form 990 \$		
(2)	Other (specify)		
	----- \$		
	Add amounts on lines (1) and (2)	<b>d</b>	
<b>e</b>	Total expenses per line 17, Form 990 (line c plus line d)	<b>e</b>	1,059,652

**Part V List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (List each one even if not compensated, see instructions)**

(A) Name and address	(B) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(C) Compensation (if not paid, enter -0-)	(D) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(E) Expense account and other allowances
MICHAEL CORDONNIER 3711 E. SUNSHINE SPRINGFIELD, MO 65804	President 2	0.	0.	0
JULIE BROWN 1949 E. SUNSHINE SPRINGFIELD, MO 65804	President Elect 2	0.	0.	0.
EVELYN MANGAN 4037 S. FORT SPRINGFIELD, MO	Secretary 2	0.	0.	0
LISA OFFICER 820 E. PRIMROSE SPRINGFIELD, MO	Treasurer 2	0.	0.	0
GERRY LEE P O BOX 551 Springfield, MO 65801	Past President 2	0.	0	0

75 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee receive aggregate compensation of more than \$100,000 from your organization and all related organizations, of which more than \$10,000 was provided by the related organizations?  Yes  No  
If 'Yes,' attach schedule - see instructions

**Part VI Other Information** (See instructions)

		Yes	No
76	Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If 'Yes,' attach a detailed description of each activity		X
77	Were any changes made in the organizing or governing documents but not reported to the IRS? If 'Yes,' attach a conformed copy of the changes		X
78a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year covered by this return?		X
78b	If 'Yes,' has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?	N/A	
79	Was there a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or substantial contraction during the year? If 'Yes,' attach a statement		X
80a	Is the organization related (other than by association with a statewide or nationwide organization) through common membership, governing bodies, trustees, officers, etc, to any other exempt or nonexempt organization?		X
80b	If 'Yes,' enter the name of the organization <u>N/A</u> and check whether it is <input type="checkbox"/> exempt or <input type="checkbox"/> nonexempt		
81a	Enter direct or indirect political expenditures See line 81 instructions.	81a	0.
81b	Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?		X
82a	Did the organization receive donated services or the use of materials, equipment, or facilities at no charge or at substantially less than fair rental value?		X
82b	If Yes, you may indicate the value of these items here Do not include this amount as revenue in Part I or as an expense in Part II (See instructions in Part III)	82b	N/A
83a	Did the organization comply with the public inspection requirements for returns and exemption applications?	X	
83b	Did the organization comply with the disclosure requirements relating to quid pro quo contributions?	X	
84a	Did the organization solicit any contributions or gifts that were not tax deductible?		X
84b	If 'Yes,' did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?		N/A
85a	501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations Were substantially all dues nondeductible by members?		N/A
85b	Did the organization make only in house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less? If 'Yes' was answered to either 85a or 85b, do not complete 85c through 85h below unless the organization received a waiver for proxy tax owed for the prior year		N/A
85c	Dues, assessments, and similar amounts from members	85c	N/A
85d	Section 162(e) lobbying and political expenditures	85d	N/A
85e	Aggregate nondeductible amount of section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices	85e	N/A
85f	Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (line 85d less 85e)	85f	N/A
85g	Does the organization elect to pay the section 6033(e) tax on the amount on line 85f?		N/A
85h	If section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices were sent, does the organization agree to add the amount on line 85f to its reasonable estimate of dues allocable to nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures for the following tax year?		N/A
86a	501(c)(7) organizations Enter a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 12	86a	N/A
86b	Gross receipts, included on line 12, for public use of club facilities	86b	N/A
87a	501(c)(12) organizations Enter a Gross income from members or shareholders	87a	N/A
87b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them)	87b	N/A
88	At any time during the year, did the organization own a 50% or greater interest in a taxable corporation or partnership, or an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? If 'Yes,' complete Part IX		X
89a	501(c)(3) organizations Enter Amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911 <u>0.</u> , section 4912 <u>0.</u> , section 4955 <u>0</u>		
89b	501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or did it become aware of an excess benefit transaction from a prior year? If 'Yes,' attach a statement explaining each transaction		X
	c Enter Amount of tax imposed on the organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958		0
	d Enter Amount of tax on line 89c, above, reimbursed by the organization		0
90a	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed <u>None</u>		
90b	Number of employees employed in the pay period that includes March 12, 2002 (See instructions)	90b	20
91	The books are in care of <u>DISCOVERY CENTER</u> Telephone number <u>417-862-9910</u> Located at <u>438 E ST LOUIS</u> ZIP + 4 <u>65806</u>		
92	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here and enter the amount of tax exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year <u>92</u>		N/A

**Part VII Analysis of Income-Producing Activities** (See instructions)

Note. Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated

	Unrelated business income		Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514		(E) Related or exempt function income
	(A) Business code	(B) Amount	(C) Exclusion code	(D) Amount	
93 Program service revenue					
a PROGRAM ADMISSIONS					145,602
b					
c					
d					
e					
f Medicare/Medicaid payments					
g Fees & contracts from government agencies					
94 Membership dues and assessments					
95 Interest on savings & temporary cash invmnts	14	741.			
96 Dividends & interest from securities					
97 Net rental income or (loss) from real estate					
a debt financed property					
b not debt financed property					9,755
98 Net rental income or (loss) from pers prop					
99 Other investment income					
100 Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory					
101 Net income or (loss) from special events					56,630
102 Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory					12,561
103 Other revenue					
a					1,689
b					
c					
d					
e					
104 Subtotal (add columns (B), (D), and (E))		741.			226,237
105 Total (add line 104, columns (B), (D), and (E))					226,978

Note Line 105 plus line 1d Part I should equal the amount on line 12 Part I

**Part VIII Relationship of Activities to the Accomplishment of Exempt Purposes** (See instructions)

Line No	Explain how each activity for which income is reported in column (E) of Part VII contributed importantly to the accomplishment of the organization's exempt purposes (other than by providing funds for such purposes)
93	INTERACTIVE EXHIBITS WHICH COMBINE SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ARTS HUMANITIES AND HEALTH TO PROVIDE LEARNING EXPERIENCES FOR FAMILIES

**Part IX Information Regarding Taxable Subsidiaries and Disregarded Entities** (See instructions)

(A) Name, address, and EIN of corporation, partnership, or disregarded entity	(B) Percentage of ownership interest	(C) Nature of activities	(D) Total income	(E) End of year assets
N/A	0			
	0			
	0			
	0			

**Part X Information Regarding Transfers Associated with Personal Benefit Contracts** (See instructions)

- a Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?  Yes  No
  - b Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?  Yes  No
- Note If 'Yes' to (b), file Form 8870 and Form 4720 (see instructions)

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Date 12/15/03

**SCHEDULE A**  
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

**Organization Exempt Under  
Section 501(c)(3)**

OMB No 1545-0047

(Except Private Foundation) and Section 501(e), 501(f), 501(k),  
501(n), or Section 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt Charitable Trust  
Supplementary Information — (See separate instructions )

**2002**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

▶ **MUST be completed by the above organizations and attached to their Form 990 or 990-EZ.**

Name of the organization

**DISCOVERY CENTER OF SPRINGFIELD, INC**

Employer identification number

**43-1568214**

**Part I Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Employees Other Than Officers, Directors, and Trustees**

(See instructions List each one If there are none, enter 'None ')

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
None -----				
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Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000 ▶	0			

**Part II Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Independent Contractors for Professional Services**

(See instructions List each one (whether individuals or firms) If there are none, enter 'None ')

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
None -----		
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Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services ▶	0	

**Part III** Statements About Activities (See instructions)

	Yes	No
1 During the year, has the organization attempted to influence national, state, or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum? If 'Yes,' enter the total expenses paid or incurred in connection with the lobbying activities <b>▶</b> \$ <u>N/A</u> (Must equal amounts on line 38, Part VI A, or line I of Part VI B) Organizations that made an election under section 501(h) by filing Form 5768 must complete Part VI A. Other organizations checking 'Yes,' must complete Part VI B AND attach a statement giving a detailed description of the lobbying activities		X
2 During the year, has the organization, either directly or indirectly, engaged in any of the following acts with any substantial contributors, trustees, directors, officers, creators, key employees, or members of their families, or with any taxable organization with which any such person is affiliated as an officer, director, trustee, majority owner, or principal beneficiary? (If the answer to any question is 'Yes,' attach a detailed statement explaining the transactions)		
a Sale, exchange, or leasing of property?		X
b Lending of money or other extension of credit?		X
c Furnishing of goods, services, or facilities?		X
d Payment of compensation (or payment or reimbursement of expenses if more than \$1,000)?		X
e Transfer of any part of its income or assets?		X
3 Does the organization make grants for scholarships, fellowships, student loans, etc? (See Note below)		X
4 Do you have a section 403(b) annuity plan for your employees?		X
<b>Note:</b> Attach a statement to explain how the organization determines that individuals or organizations receiving grants or loans from it in furtherance of its charitable programs 'qualify' to receive payments		

**Part IV** Reason for Non-Private Foundation Status (See instructions)

The organization is not a private foundation because it is (Please check only **ONE** applicable box)

- 5  A church, convention of churches, or association of churches Section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)
- 6  A school Section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii) (Also complete Part V)
- 7  A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)
- 8  A Federal, state, or local government or governmental unit Section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)
- 9  A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital Section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii) Enter the hospital's name, city, and state ▶ \_\_\_\_\_
- 10  An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV A)
- 11a  An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV A)
- 11b  A community trust Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV A)
- 12  An organization that normally receives (1) more than 33-1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its charitable, etc, functions - subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33-1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975 See section 509(a)(2) (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV A)
- 13  An organization that is not controlled by any disqualified persons (other than foundation managers) and supports organizations described in (1) lines 5 through 12 above, or (2) section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6), if they meet the test of section 509(a)(2) (See section 509(a)(3))

Provide the following information about the supported organizations (See instructions)

(a) Name(s) of supported organization(s)	(b) Line number from above

- 14  An organization organized and operated to test for public safety Section 509(a)(4) (See instructions)

**Part IV-A Support Schedule** (Complete only if you checked a box on line 10, 11, or 12) *Use cash method of accounting*

**Note.** You may use the worksheet in the instructions for converting from the accrual to the cash method of accounting

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2001	(b) 2000	(c) 1999	(d) 1998	(e) Total
15 Gifts, grants, and contributions received (Do not include unusual grants. See line 28)	721,544.	662,993.	352,372	156,596.	1,893,505.
16 Membership fees received			19,747.	60,982.	80,729.
17 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or furnishing of facilities in any activity that is related to the organization's charitable, etc., purpose	137,386.	117,491	182,628.	93,005.	530,510
18 Gross income from interest, dividends, amounts received from payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), rents, royalties, and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975	889.	5,054.	1,630.	9,312	16,885.
19 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 18					
20 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to it or expended on its behalf					
21 The value of services or facilities furnished to the organization by a governmental unit without charge. Do not include the value of services or facilities generally furnished to the public without charge					
22 Other income. Attach a schedule. Do not include gain or (loss) from sale of capital assets. See Stmt 7	1,919.	3,488.	3,902.	1,582	10,891.
23 Total of lines 15 through 22	861,738	789,026.	560,279	321,477	2,532,520
24 Line 23 minus line 17	724,352	671,535	377,651.	228,472.	2,002,010.
25 Enter 1% of line 23	8,617.	7,890.	5,603.	3,215.	
26 Organizations described on lines 10 or 11: a Enter 2% of amount in column (e), line 24 <b>N/A</b>					26a
b Prepare a list for your records to show the name of and amount contributed by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) whose total gifts for 1998 through 2001 exceeded the amount shown in line 26a. Do not file this list with your return. Enter the total of all these excess amounts					26b
c Total support for section 509(a)(1) test. Enter line 24, column (e)					26c
d Add: Amounts from column (e) for lines 18 _____ 19 _____					26d
22 _____ 26b _____					26e
e Public support (line 26c minus line 26d total)					26f
f <b>Public support percentage (line 26e (numerator) divided by line 26c (denominator))</b>					%
27 Organizations described on line 12					
a For amounts included in lines 15, 16, and 17 that were received from a 'disqualified person,' prepare a list for your records to show the name of, and total amounts received in each year from, each 'disqualified person.' Do not file this list with your return. Enter the sum of such amounts for each year					
(2001) _____ 0. (2000) _____ 0. (1999) _____ 0 (1998) _____ 0					
b For any amount included in line 17 that was received from each person (other than 'disqualified persons'), prepare a list for your records to show the name of, and amount received for each year, that was more than the larger of (1) the amount on line 25 for the year or (2) \$5,000. (Include in the list organizations described in lines 5 through 11, as well as individuals.) Do not file this list with your return. After computing the difference between the amount received and the larger amount described in (1) or (2), enter the sum of these differences (the excess amounts) for each year					
(2001) _____ 0 (2000) _____ 0. (1999) _____ 0. (1998) _____ 0					
c Add: Amounts from column (e) for lines 15 _____ 1,893,505. 16 _____ 80,729					27c
17 _____ 530,510. 20 _____					27d
21 _____ and line 27b total _____ 0.					27e
d Add: Line 27a total _____ 0. and line 27b total _____ 0.					27f
e Public support (line 27c total minus line 27d total)					27g
f Total support for section 509(a)(2) test. Enter amount from line 23, column (e)					27h
g <b>Public support percentage (line 27e (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator))</b>					%
h <b>Investment income percentage (line 18, column (e) (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator))</b>					%

28 **Unusual Grants.** For an organization described in line 10, 11, or 12 that received any unusual grants during 1998 through 2001, prepare a list for your records to show, for each year, the name of the contributor, the date and amount of the grant, and a brief description of the nature of the grant. Do not file this list with your return. Do not include these grants in line 15

**Part V Private School Questionnaire** (See instructions)  
 (To be completed ONLY by schools that checked the box on line 6 in Part IV)

		N/A	
		Yes	No
29	Does the organization have a racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students by statement in its charter, bylaws, other governing instrument, or in a resolution of its governing body?		
30	Does the organization include a statement of its racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students in all its brochures, catalogues, and other written communications with the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?		
31	Has the organization publicized its racially nondiscriminatory policy through newspaper or broadcast media during the period of solicitation for students, or during the registration period if it has no solicitation program, in a way that makes the policy known to all parts of the general community it serves? If 'Yes,' please describe, if 'No,' please explain (If you need more space, attach a separate statement ) ----- ----- -----		
32	Does the organization maintain the following		
a	Records indicating the racial composition of the student body, faculty, and administrative staff?		
b	Records documenting that scholarships and other financial assistance are awarded on a racially nondiscriminatory basis?		
c	Copies of all catalogues, brochures, announcements, and other written communications to the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?		
d	Copies of all material used by the organization or on its behalf to solicit contributions?  If you answered 'No' to any of the above, please explain (If you need more space, attach a separate statement ) ----- -----		
33	Does the organization discriminate by race in any way with respect to		
a	Students' rights or privileges?		
b	Admissions policies?		
c	Employment of faculty or administrative staff?		
d	Scholarships or other financial assistance?		
e	Educational policies?		
f	Use of facilities?		
g	Athletic programs?		
h	Other extracurricular activities?  If you answered 'Yes' to any of the above, please explain (If you need more space, attach a separate statement ) ----- -----		
34 a	Does the organization receive any financial aid or assistance from a governmental agency?		
b	Has the organization's right to such aid ever been revoked or suspended? If you answered 'Yes' to either 34a or b, please explain using an attached statement		
35	Does the organization certify that it has complied with the applicable requirements of sections 4 01 through 4 05 of Rev Proc 75 50, 1975-2 C B 587, covering racial nondiscrimination? If 'No,' attach an explanation		

**Part VI-A Lobbying Expenditures by Electing Public Charities** (See instructions)  
 (To be completed ONLY by an eligible organization that filed Form 5768)

N/A

Check  **a** if the organization belongs to an affiliated group Check  **b** if you checked 'a' and 'limited control' provisions apply

**Limits on Lobbying Expenditures**

(The term 'expenditures' means amounts paid or incurred)

	(a) Affiliated group totals	(b) To be completed for ALL electing organizations
36 Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grassroots lobbying)	36	
37 Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)	37	
38 Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 36 and 37)	38	
39 Other exempt purpose expenditures	39	
40 Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 38 and 39)	40	
41 Lobbying nontaxable amount Enter the amount from the following table –		
If the amount on line 40 is –		
Not over \$500,000		
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000		
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000		
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000		
Over \$17,000,000		
The lobbying nontaxable amount is –		
20% of the amount on line 40		
\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000		
\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000		
\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000		
\$1,000,000		
42 Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 41)	42	
43 Subtract line 42 from line 36 Enter 0 if line 42 is more than line 36	43	
44 Subtract line 41 from line 38 Enter -0 if line 41 is more than line 38	44	
<b>Caution:</b> If there is an amount on either line 43 or line 44, you must file Form 4720		

**4-Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)**

(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below  
 See the instructions for lines 45 through 50)

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period				
	(a) 2002	(b) 2001	(c) 2000	(d) 1999	(e) Total
45 Lobbying nontaxable amount					
46 Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 45(e))					
47 Total lobbying expenditures					
48 Grassroots non taxable amount					
49 Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 48(e))					
50 Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

**Part VI-B Lobbying Activity by Nonelecting Public Charities** (See instructions)  
 (For reporting only by organizations that did not complete Part VI A)

N/A

During the year, did the organization attempt to influence national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of

- a Volunteers
- b Paid staff or management (Include compensation in expenses reported on lines c through h)
- c Media advertisements
- d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public
- e Publications, or published or broadcast statements
- f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes
- g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body
- h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any other means
- i Total lobbying expenditures (add lines c through h.)

Yes	No	Amount

If 'Yes' to any of the above, also attach a statement giving a detailed description of the lobbying activities



## DISCOVERY CENTER OF SPRINGFIELD, INC

43-1568214

Statement 1  
Form 990, Part I, Line 9  
Net Income (Loss) from Special Events

Special Events	Gross Receipts	Less Contributions	Gross Revenue	Less Direct Expenses	Net Income (Loss)
Festival of Trees	73,910.	0	73,910.	17,280	56,630
Total	<u>\$ 73,910.</u>	<u>\$ 0.</u>	<u>\$ 73,910.</u>	<u>\$ 17,280.</u>	<u>\$ 56,630</u>

Statement 2  
Form 990, Part I, Line 10  
Gross Profit (Loss) From Sales Of Inventory

MERCHANDISE	\$ 24,317.
Gross Sales	\$ 24,317.
Less Returns & Allowances	0
Net Sales	\$ 24,317
Less Cost Of Goods Sold	11,756
Gross Profit From Sales Of Inventory	<u>\$ 12,561</u>

Statement 3  
Form 990, Part II, Line 43  
Other Expenses

	(A) Total	(B) Program Services	(C) Management & General	(D) Fundraising
BAD DEBT	84		84.	
DUES	5,270.	2,371.	2,899	
EXHIBIT FEES	132,566	132,566.		
GROUNDS	10,870.	9,783.	1,087.	
INSURANCE	40,997.	36,897.	4,100.	
MISC	3,412	3,412.		
OFFICE	9,665	2,580	7,085.	
PROGRAM SUPPLIES	21,179	21,179		
PUBLIC RELATIONS	79,914.	78,273.		1,641.
REPAIRS	2,913.	2,913.		
UTILITIES	28,694	25,825.	2,869.	
Total	<u>\$ 335,564.</u>	<u>\$ 315,799</u>	<u>\$ 18,124.</u>	<u>\$ 1,641</u>

Statement 4  
Form 990, Part IV, Line 57  
Land, Buildings, and Equipment

Category	Basis	Accum. Deprec.	Book Value
Machinery and Equipment	\$ 1,568,989.	\$ 599,832.	\$ 969,157.
Buildings	2,511,085.	480,024.	2,031,061
Land	298,373		298,373.
Total	<u>\$ 4,378,447.</u>	<u>\$ 1,079,856</u>	<u>\$ 3,298,591</u>

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Statement 5  
Form 990, Part IV, Line 58  
Other Assets

CONST IN PROGRESS

Total \$ 190,098  
Total \$ 190,098.

Statement 6  
Form 990, Part IV, Line 65  
Other Liabilities

ACCRUED EXPENSES  
CURRENT PORTION LT DEBT  
DEFERRED LEASE INCOME

\$ 1,479.  
14,589.  
1,515  
Total \$ 17,583

Statement 7  
Schedule A, Part IV-A, Line 22  
Other Income

Description	(a) 2001	(b) 2000	(c) 1999	(d) 1998	(e) Total
	\$ 1,919.	\$ 3,488.	\$ 3,902.	\$ 1,582.	\$ 10,891.
Total	\$ <u>1,919</u>	\$ <u>3,488.</u>	\$ <u>3,902.</u>	\$ <u>1,582.</u>	\$ <u>10,891</u>

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**Computation of Cost of Goods Sold (Form 990)**

1. Inventory at start of year	8,248
2. Purchases	15,802.
3. Cost of labor	0.
4. Additional 263A costs	0.
5. Other costs	0.
6 Total (Add lines 1 through 5)	<u>24,050.</u>
7. Inventory at end of year	<u>12,294</u>
8 Cost of goods sold (Subtract line 7 from line 6)	<u><u>11,756</u></u>



# ANNUAL REPORT

Discovery  
Center

2003



*Discovery Center of Springfield is an interactive, hands-on museum committed to inspiring people of all ages with a life-long love of learning and an appreciation of the world and our place in it.*

In five and half years since its grand opening DCS has established itself as a leader in the region for unique and engaging educational experiences. Although our history goes back to the late 1980's and incorporation in 1991 in the past five years we have come a long way, baby! Collaboration has been the key to the success of DCS. We thank the community and businesses, sponsors and members that believe in us and assist in achieving our goals.



The future looks even brighter. Launching our "Strains of Genius" Capital Campaign in May DCS is asking the community to make a pledge and raise the last 25% of \$2.8 million to achieve a matching grant from the

## FUTURE

Mohave Foundation. Once the campaign is completed DCS plans to expand our facilities into the old Trellisway building to add additional exhibit space, two new classrooms, much needed office space, and an Immersion Cinema. We'll be able to increase the number of programs offered and ultimately increase the number of children (of all ages) we serve.

## NEW THIS YEAR

- Extended hours on Friday
- Quarterly Free Days
- Feminist Friday
- Street Badges
- Corporate Memberships
- ScienceWorks On the Road
- Home School Education
- ScienceSource

- Back to School: 3rd successful year in collaboration with Salinas Army
- Youth Leadership Conference with Paul Kestler, co-author of *Leading at the Edge* and Leadership Ranch in conjunction with *The Endurance: Shackleton's Legendary Antarctic Expedition*
- Visited Stephen Vonnobles, renowned British mountaineer and celebrated author presenting *Enchanted Island: In Shackleton's footsteps across South Georgia*

## SPECIAL EVENTS

- 17th Annual Festival of Trees Benefit Auction was another huge success. Community support in donations and patrons allowed the Center to raise \$45,000.
- El Estrelin on Ice: DCS summer fundraiser was also a great success, raising \$2580 toward the new Recreation Pavilion, a partnership with Deerbluff Care.
- Splash - 2nd year of collaboration with Watershed Committee of the Ozarks, City of Springfield Public Works, and Greenwood Lab School
- Public Works Day: 2nd year collaborating with City of Springfield
- Earth Day: host for city wide celebration involving many grass roots organizations and public agencies

Tre & Ann How nominated for their support of DCS, received the Ambassador award from Springfield Convention and Visitor Bureau. DCS also received Silver Adity awards in the special event (gift) and website categories from Springfield Ad Club. Our website and ScienceSource were also selected by IMLS for national recognition.

The Discovery Center has 3 floors of hands-on exhibits that weave together science, technology, art, and culture.

BodyWorks Enhanced Multicultural/Genetics and the Human Genome project (DHQ) Exploratory Lab. DCS was selected as part of a national pilot project through the Franklin Institute and Penn State University Materials Research and Science Engineering Center to host the Materials Matter Franklin Center.

Wonderland Added 2 new play tables and a computer specially designed for pre schoolers through the news and with media partners Backyard Mustangs, The Endurance Shackleton's Legendary Antarctic Expedition, Traces of Time, The Artist in the Studio, and Surf the Wind/Waves to Kitty Hawk proved interesting for all ages.



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Distance Learning brings science from DCS to the classroom via state of the art videoteleconferencing technology. DCS also collaborates with Dickerson Park Zoo and Greene County Medical Society Alliance to create innovative programming. ScienceWorks on the Road outreach saw more students with better results than ever. 1,107 students in grades 2-5 at 7 elementary schools increased their test scores an average of 27% maintained an A or B grade in science.

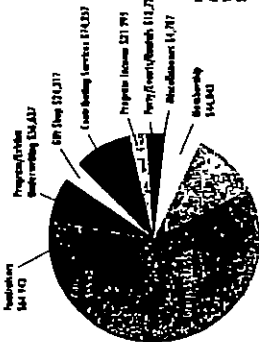
BodyWorks is a series of age-appropriate, hands-on education programs for all students, preschool through high school. ScienceWorks, housed in the Exploratory Lab, offers a variety of group programs in astronomy, physics, chemistry, earth science, ecology and forensics. The Exploratory Lab also features a different science activity for visitors every week. Earth-Matters provides 2 free programs exploring "Trash the Trash" and "WaterWays."

After School Program continues to offer fun and educational benefits for schools and agencies. IMLS funded ScienceSource through DCS website. This web-based curriculum is an essential tool for teachers as well as Missouri E-Mints programs. Our Technology Center computer lab features real-time interaction with a librarian. Summer Workshops engaged 399 students over 18 weeks in 42 different programs.

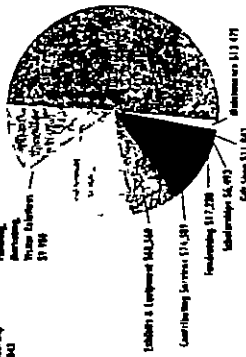
Volunteers are the driving force of DCS. From our volunteer Board of Directors to youth volunteers in the center, this collaboration makes it possible for DCS to provide quality exhibits and programming. Our volunteers have logged over 3,500 hours of their time this year helping us

## VOLUNTEERS

## REVENUE



## EXPENSES



Total attendance increased 28.5% over last year. 14.5% of this increase is due to our new programs Distance Learning/Media Conferencing, ScienceWorks on the Road and programming through the IMLS grant. Despite decreasing our free days, DCS saw a 17% increase in general admission. Group numbers were up 6.5% Visitors from throughout the state continue to increase, but awareness of DCS to the surrounding suburbs continues to be a challenge. Grant and Rise (the fastest growing clinic in Missouri) with children in 28% of the families offers a great opportunity for increase.

## MEMBERSHIPS

Memberships increased 43% over last year. Renewal rates are up 37% and DCS still offers incentives for early renewal. Family and Basic memberships are the most popular, while Plus One is successfully giving visitors many options. Corporate Members provide an important source of support.

- Empire Bank
- Professional Equipment Movers
- Roberts, McAleer, Morgan & Cummings
- St. John's Health System
- Yellowbook USA
- Institute of Museum and Library Services - National Leadership Program
- US Department of Education - Technology Innovations Challenge Grant and 21st Century Community Learning Centers
- Midkissan-HDC Foundation - Scholarship Program Fund
- Smith-Spahn Cellulose Medical Foundation - Equipment for "It's Alive!" Workshop
- Betsy Club of Springfield - ScienceWorks on the Road
- AI&T Care Grant - AI&T Pioneer
- O Tuilly Family Foundation - Scholarship Program Fund
- William T. Kemper Foundation - Capital Expansion
- Community Foundation of the Ozarks - ScienceWorks on the Road
- VIA Foundation - Smoking Matters No Ugly
- Missouri Department of Economic Development - Neighborhood Assistance Program
- Teach Opportunities Program
- Bonus Elements Guild
- Jeanette McGovern Foundation
- Ronald McDonald Charities - Big Month exhibit

## GRANTS

## AWARDED