



ANNUAL REPORT 2021-2022



ABOUT AIR

The 2021-2022 fiscal year for Arts In Reach (AIR) marks the return of in-person programming and public art showcases, following a year of online due to COVID. It was a relief and joy to come together in-person again and make art as an inclusive, creative community.

Over 100 teens joined AIR this year, many for the first time. AIR's after-school and vacation programs included ArtVentures for ages 11-13, AIR Artists for ages 14-18, and Advance On AIR for experienced AIR teens ages 16-22.

Teens made mixed-media artwork and exhibited at Wrong Brain in Dover. They create claywork at Mud City in Gonic. They learned "zine"-making and stage performance techniques. They up-cycled clothing and showed their fashions at The Mall at Fox Run. They attended theater performances, helped construct an exhibit at the UNH Museum of Art, went for a sail on the Gundalow while writing poetry with Portsmouth's Poet Laureate, and served as apprentices and interns at AIR. As always, all activities, supplies, and transportation were free of charge for all participants.

With a new development plan, a new website, and a committed community of donors, AIR's record-breaking revenue in FY2022 topped \$450,00. We also were honored to receive the Advocate For Women's Empowerment (AWE) Award from *NH Business Review*.

We are incredibly grateful to all of our supporters for making youth creative empowerment possible. On behalf of AIR's Board and staff, we humbly thank you.

With much gratitude,
Debra Holloway, Executive Director
Virginia Skevington, President



MISSION AND VISION

"Seeing so many participants change and grow before my eyes, I am moved by the organization's mission and impact again and again. If my time and support can help even one teen reach their undiscovered potential, then it is all worth it."
--Virginia Skevington,
AIR President

Founded in 1997, AIR is a community arts program for teenage girls and gender expansive youth ages 11-22 from southeastern New Hampshire and Maine.

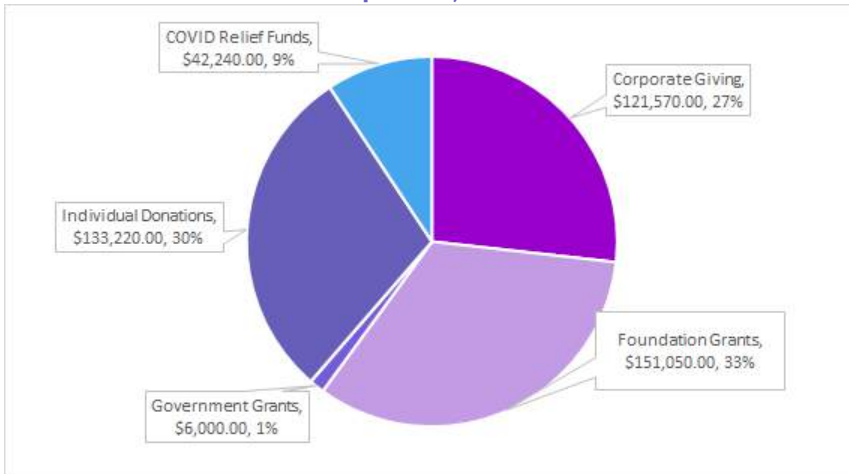
AIR's mission is to build an inclusive, creative community that empowers youth through the transformative power of the arts and mentoring with professional artists. The arts bring us together, foster hope and acceptance, and heal.

AIR's free out-of-school programs cultivate confidence, collaboration, and resilience. AIR is where teens thrive.



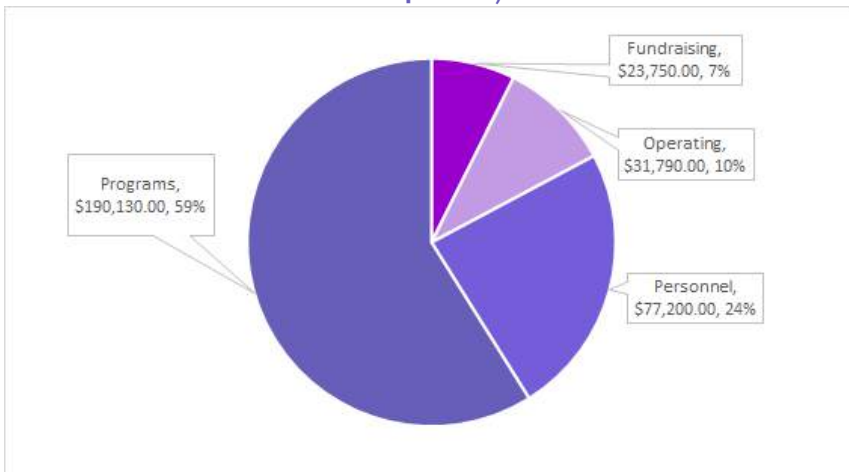
FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

TOTAL INCOME \$454,080



AIR is grateful for the support of every donor, corporate sponsor, and foundation. Go to artsinreach.org to learn about giving and corporate sponsorship.

TOTAL EXPENSES \$322,870



Erica Brooks-Sayers (l.) and Jo Ann Klatskin (m.) awarding Debra Holloway (r.) a 2021 Newburyport Bank Foundation grant



PROGRAMS



26
**Programs &
Workshops**

213
**Program
Opportunities**

102
Teens

42%
**Complete 2+
Programs**

13
**Average
Age**

PARTICIPANTS



“AIR makes me feel really confident and like I can be honest with my emotions instead of bottling them up .”

--April Vacation Program Participant

30
Towns
25 in NH
5 in ME

35
Middle &
High Schools

5
Home
School

7
Colleges

42%
Free/
Reduced
Lunch

75%
Mental
Health
Challenge

70%
Learning/
Physical
Issues

65%
Multiple
Issues

OUR TEAM

STAFF

Debra Holloway, Executive Director
Cara Cabral, Program Director
Cassandra Brazeau, Assistant Program Director
Haley Searcy, Program Coordinator
Caitlin Little, AmeriCorps Vista

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Back L to R: Leslie Martin, Jaci Grote, Cara Cabral, Glicka Kaplan, Joanne Knight, Emmett Soldati. Front L to R: Debra Holloway, David Greene, Virginia Skevington, Katyanne Zink, Karin Barndollar:

**"Everyone talks about empowering teens, but at AIR that's what we do. I'm proud to support this important work."
--Karin Barndollar, Vice President**

For more information about AIR, please visit artsinreach.org

HOW YOU CAN HELP TEENS



Make a donation in support of teens participating in AIR programs



Become an Amplifier with a recurring gift to sustain AIR for this and future generations



Donate gift cards for gas, food, or art supplies



Volunteer to help at programs, in the office, on committees, and at events

At AIR, we believe that strong young people build stronger communities.

Thank you for being part of this vision!



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