Nay Sharity

GALLUP CHILDREN'S MUSEUM



WHAT IS Play Sharity?

CHILDREN'S + CIVIL | ENGAGEMENT

Sharing hands-on learning with children by involving them in science, art, culture, and civil engagement. Inspiring young leaders to activate sharing in their communities.

In the New Mexico Needs Assessment, underrepresented populations reported amplified needs for basic programs such as spaces for community gathering and education programs (2022).

In well-resourced communities, preschool children spend more than 80% of their waking hours engaged in informal learning experiences outside of school. (National Library of Medicine, 2022).



8 EXHIBITS \$135,505.57 **Free access for**

Mckinley County & Navajo Nation Residence

Serving 20,000 more than 20,000 children ages 0-17 with dynamic learning experiences for

A safe & nurturing place to play

A unique integration of cultural play

Informal STEAM based activities

Community connections & networks









Play Sharity









EXHIBITS



In the lab, children can access art supplies and loose parts (i.e., wooden spools or popsicle sticks) to build, sculpt, paint, and design their ideas. Children can use the color wheels to experiment with mixing hues. They can hop on the pottery wheel or paint on the easels. In the lab, you will also find a giant sculpture of a roadrunner that kids can add layers of paint on.











\$7,858.60



PARTS & ARTS WORKTABLE

LARGE COLLABORATIVE WORKTABLE EASLES & POTTERY WHEELS STORAGE WITH REPLENISHABLE SUPPLIES

THE COLOR WHEEL

TWO LARGE TRANSLUSENT WHEELS SPIN TABLES

THE ROADRUNNER

4 FT STATUE OF A PAINTABLE ROADRUNNER PAINTS & SMOCKS AVAILABLE

LOOSE PARTS STORAGE

STORAGE RACKS FOR LOOSE PARTS LOOSE PARTS REPLENISHABLES

Cardboard City ignites a new generation of recyclers when they discover endless possibilities for using cardboard! With our kid-friendly cardboard table saw and tools set, kids learn they can make anything from toys, puzzles, games, and displays.











Tunnels, Tubes and Tracks exhibit is a special place for our future engineers. With stations focused on intersection, speed, force, and leverage, these activities will keep your young builders busy.





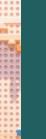


EXHIBIT FEATURES

WORKING WALL RIGAMAJIG

RAMPS

BNSF RAILROAD







TOTAL COST \$17,137.15

EAM • STEAM • STEAM • STE



The Light House shares the magnificent power of light. As they explore the light tables, lite brite, and our stain glass maker, kids will love to see their creations shine bright.







EXHIBIT FEATURES

GIANT LITE BRITE TOPOGRAPHICAL SANDBOX LIGHT & MIRROR TABLES LIGHT LASER TABLE

TOTAL COST \$12,749.82



This locally designed exhibit demonstrates how Navajo weavers use wool to make extravagant tapestries. Children can card, spin, and weave using a Navajo loom. Children can design patterns, experiment with natural dyes, and take care of sheep.









FLEXING SKILLS

- Sustaining attention by focusing on a task
- Building on working memory with repetition of patterns & techniques
- Expanding on sensory integration
- Using fine motor skills for weaving techniques
- Coordinating motor output with visual input
- Practicing resiliency with challenging tasks
- Finding multiple ways to accomplish a task
- Trying new ideas and building on other ideas

SHEERING SHEEP

PLAY & CLIMB ON FAKE SHEEP
TAKE WOOL ON & OFF THE SHEEP
PICTURES & STORIES OF NAVAJO SHEPPERDS

THE WOOL WALL

WOOL COVERING WALLS & CEILINGS
THREE AREAS OF DIFFERENT TEXTURES



BLEND BOARD

10 X 10FT WALL MOUNTED BLEND BOARD DOWEL HAND CARDERS & WOOL SAMPLES

WE WEAVE

LARGE CENTER-PIECE NAVAJO LOOM CHILDREN CAN COLLECTIVELY WEAVE BENCHES FOR DEMONSTRATIONS

ZOOM THE LOOM

WALL PROJECTORS FOR KIDS TO USE TRANSLUSENT CARDS WITH NAVAJO PATTERNS TRACING PATTERNS & DESIGNING RUGS

DYES LAB

NATURAL HERBS & FLOWERS TO GRIND GRINDING STONE FOR MAKING DYES MIXING POWDER & USING IT





PRIORITIES IN PLANNING

- Forming a cultural exhibits committee for authenticity, program planning, and cultural responsiveness.
- Connecting with local shepherds, weavers, artists, and organizations to collaborate ideas and practices.
- Hiring local carpenters, designers, and artists to build the exhibit.
- Facilitating exhibit testing groups to receive feedback from the community on the cultural responsiveness.
- All replenishable materials will be purchased from local distributors.

PROGRAM initiatives

Along with The iina of Wool exhibit, we hope to partner with organizations to host weaving events for children and families to participate in. The space will allow for demonstrations, after school or summer classes, and workshops.



GENERAL BUDGET ITMES \$65,000

4 HIRED DESIGNERS & CREATIVES
2 SHEEP STATUES
WOOL MATERIALS
GIANT HANDMADE KIDS LOOM
BENCHES & WORKSTATIONS
CUSTOM BLEND BOARD
HAND CARDERS
REPLENISHABLE ITEMS FOR A YEAR

PROJECTOR & DRAWING MATERIALS GRINDING STONE DISPLAY CUSTOM DYE STATION ART WORK & DISPLAYS NATURAL DRIED HERBS SMALL INDIVIDUAL LOOMS



Authorization was approved in using pictures from navajoshepperd's social media account. Exhibit ideas have not been designed by the cultural exhibits committee and will be adjusted to uphold authenticity and responsiveness.



Mini Gallup is a hands-on town showcasing some of Gallup's iconic places of work. Each business features how our local heroes contribute to the work in our community. Children will take on the role of civil servants by imitating the work through imagination, collaboration, and play.

















La Montanita Grocery Store



Navajo Transit

















EL Morro Theater

Animal Clinic

Hogan





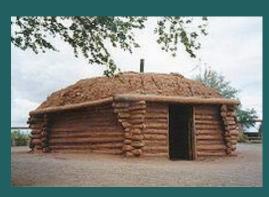


EXHIBIT FEATURES

6 MINI BUILDINGS

INTERACTIVE PROPS

CUSTOM GALLUP FEATURES

***15,000.00**



PLAY WITH AND THE

people

WHO HELP US PLAY
THAT MAKES A GREAT
DIFFERENCE IN OUR
LIVES.

-MISTER ROGERS



The Windy Wonders exhibit lets kids joyfully experiment with how materials interact with wind patterns by observing wind speed, temperature, and direction.











WIND WALL

THE TUNNEL

HOT AIR BALLOON

LET'S FLOAT

ROCKET POWER

TOTAL: \$6,632.00



EAM•STEAM•STEAM STE



The Blue Blocks Imagination Playground exhibit is an open-ended arena where you can use your imagination to build large creations. From boats, houses, and rockets to ball runners and carousels, children collaborate in moving these foam pieces into elaborate designs.









THIS \$3,100 EXHIBIT WAS
GENEROUSL DONATED BY THE
MCKINLEY COUNTY EARLY
CHILDHOOD COALITION



Ashą Cafe



FOOD before they can PLAY

Through partnerships, the Ashą́ Café provides healthy snacks FREE to children at the museum. Making sure kids have full bellies so they can play to the max.





UNITE

A two-hour session allowing incarcerated parents time with their child at the children's museum Supporting bonding, connections, and healthy relationships.

NEURODIVERSE PLAYTIME

Weekly time set aside for neurodiverse kids to play without being overstimulated and provide support for parents.

PARENTS NIGHTS

Parents nights for different groups of parents who might need support based on circumstances: LGBTQ parents, parents of children with Autism, foster parents, and much more.

TOTS SPOT

Every Thursday, toddlers and adults can join for a two-hour session in the museum.

Each week, booths will be set up with different organizations that support toddler development will be there to nect with parents.

Play Sharity Gallup

CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

The Play Sharity Foundation exists "to promote child and family well-being, sharing of resources to advance education, affordability of high-quality educational materials, the discovery and nurturing of every human's gifts and allowing every human to experience a fulfilling charitable life."



Play Sharity Foundation opened their first location in Deming, NM. Scan the code for a tour of their facility on opening day.



APRIL
2023 Gallup started a pop-up museum at local events like Arts Crawl.

2023 Gallup partnered with Play Sharity and will open a second location of Play Sharity in Gallup.

Callup hosted their first annual fundraiser called a Day of Play with about 500 people in attendance.

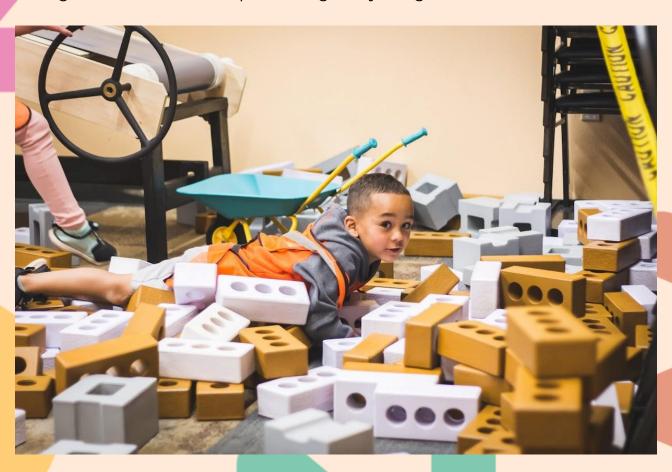


HIGHLIGHTED IMPACTS

- Raised \$229,025 in grants in 2022
- 1,790 children are registered members
- +10,000 families were reached by donated food bags, school supplies, books, and other resources

JOIN US IN OPENING PLAY SHARITY GALLUP

where children can have access to science, art, culture and civil engagement to enrich development, improve child and family wellbeing, and create a safe place to grow young learners into leaders.





CONNECT WITH US

playsharitygallup playsharitygallup.org director@playsharitygallup.org



#294 2418 E Historic Hwy 66. **Gallup NM 87301** (505) 862-9381