

2020



END OF YEAR REPORT

Supporting renewable energy, sustainable agriculture, local food, conservation & healthy communities since 1974.

OUR MISSION

We are a statewide grassroots organization, helping communities build a more sustainable Montana for all. We focus on the sustainable energy and ag/local food system sphere, creating spaces where future food system leaders and inspired community models flourish.

339

Household Members in 2020

27

2020 Business Partners

43%

Budget Supported by Members & Donors

2020 PROGRAMS FOCUS



Food Systems

- Cottage Foods Education
- 21 Week Racial Equity in the Food System Challenge
- Jane Kile Scholarship
- MT Food Providers Project (MFPP)

Montana Food Economy Initiative is providing funding and mentorship support to

12

community-led solutions for building more resilient local food systems across MT



As of December, with its partners, MFPP has distributed

7,175+ 
pounds of organic wheat flour & grains

208 
bottles of organic safflower oil

968+ 
summer produce bags

1,100+ 
pounds of grass-fed beef

2,925+ 
pounds of organic lentils

790 
pounds of pastured goat

40 
pounds goat cheese

Community Engagement



- Grow MT Food Policy Coalition
- MT Food Matters: The Food System Story Collaborative

Abundant Montana Directory upgraded to enhance and expand functioning as a state wide hub for local food access.



Oral History Project on AERO's 45 years of impact. Archived 12 interviews with founding and early members, staff, and partners on the MT Memory Project (mtmemory.org)



369

Listing partners

250

Listings updated in 2020



Network Weaving & Education

EXPO 2020 was AERO's first entirely virtual Expo.

27 Independent events



4 Film Screenings



Individual registrants **135**

FREE to participants



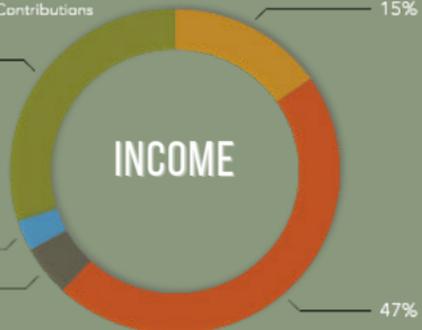
Outcomes achieved: engagement, new ideas, collaborations and connections

2020 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Income Sources

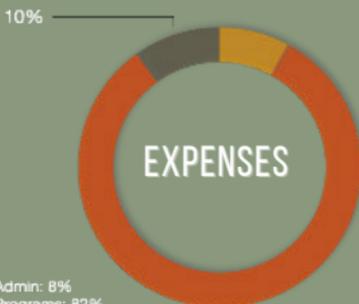
- Memberships \$28,983
- Program Grants \$88,224
- Sponsorships/Support \$9,542
- License Plates \$5,800
- Contributions \$56,751

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Total Expenses

- Admin \$16,752
- Fundraising \$20,940
- Programs \$171,713



- Admin: 8%
- Programs: 82%
- Fundraising: 10%

