What new discoveries can we unearth together?

Champion More Curiosity

We invite you to take up our cause and join a community of giving

As we celebrate the two-thirds mark of our Champion More Curiosity campaign, we are humbled by the support of our entire community of supporters, Members and lifelong learners. Through philanthropy, we have reimagined and transformed eight exhibits including our most recent, the beloved Ice Age Gallery. As we look to the future, with your continued support we will transform an additional four exhibits by 2024. This is a rare moment to enhance the museum experience by incorporating the best of our regional innovations and knowledge with exciting new galleries, acquisitions and interactive elements.

The Champion More Curiosity campaign is actively creating a more bold, vibrant and engaging museum experience for our guests in order to inspire our region's future thinkers and leaders. Together, we can equip the next generation with the knowledge, skills and curiosity that will fuel even greater innovation. We welcome you to support our journey and join a community of giving to reimagine and transform the museum experience here at Cincinnati Museum Center.

To become a Champion today, please visit supportCMC.org or send your donation by mail.

Sincerely,

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Elizabeth W. Pierce President & CEO Cincinnati Museum Center



Funding Update

In 2018, we embarked on the Champion More Curiosity campaign to build a stronger region, a more innovative workforce and a more vibrant tomorrow.

\$40,000,000 capital (new and enhanced exhibits)

Raised to Date: \$22,334,290.34

(as of 8/26/2021)

We have seen phenomenal support to help create and enhance eight permanent exhibits within CMC and have two fully funded projects in the queue for 2022 (Get Into Nature and Made in Cincinnati). The additional funding needs will establish or enhance nine additional permanent exhibits or spaces that will reimagine the museum experience at Cincinnati Museum Center.

\$20,000,000 general operating (programs, staff, etc.)

Raised to Date: \$17,255,735.95

(as of 8/26/2021)

General operating needs have been enhanced over the last two years due to the ongoing pandemic. We continue our focused efforts in elevating our general operating goals and push to go well beyond \$20M raised during the six-year Champion More Curiosity campaign.

\$25,000,000 endowment support (sustain the future of CMC)

Raised to Date: \$28,613,365

(as of 8/26/2021)

Through the very generous support of many, we have been able to increase CMC's endowment significantly over the last four years. We aspire to continue adding endowment support for important curatorial staffing needs, program needs such as our amazing Youth Programs and funding for innovative new offerings. **Raised to Date:** \$69,103,392

> **Overall Goal:** \$85,000,000 **Raised to Date:** \$69,103,392

The Champion More Curiosity campaign seeks support from our entire community of advocates. Every gift makes an impact that will inspire generations to come.

If you have any questions or would like to learn more about how to make a gift, please contact our Philanthropy Office at (513) 287-7036 or email donate@cincymuseum.org.

Anne G. Dorsey's legacy lives on within KidSPACE through their generous support of the Champion More Curiosity Campaign

Anne G. Dorsey was a woman of conviction and a tireless advocate for children throughout her 80 years. A native Cincinnatian, Anne (née Grieme) was born in 1934 and raised in Mount Lookout before moving to a beautiful historic home that is now the Anderson Township Heritage Center. Anne served many years as Professor of Education and Director of Arlitt Child Development Center at the University of Cincinnati and was a successful author on childhood education. The Dorsey family have been guests and advocates of CMC for decades. Anne and Bob's grandchildren have visited our world-class exhibits while their youngest son Kurk Dorsey, environmental historian and History Department Chair at University of New Hampshire, worked two summers at CMC's 20,000-acre Richard and Lucile Durrell Edge of Appalachia Preserve System. The other two Dorsey boys, Andrew, President of Front Range Community College in Colorado, and Peter, a senior actuary in Cleveland, also spent large periods of their childhood at CMC. Anne G. Dorsey's legacy lives on within KidSPACE through her family's generous support of the Champion More Curiosity campaign.

CMC's KidSPACE (Kids at Science-Play-Art-Creativity-Exploration), supported by The Anne G. & Robert W. Dorsey Family Foundation, is certainly an appropriate recognition of Anne's lifelong dedication to early learning. Nestled inside the Children's Museum, this maker-space stimulates invention and creativity for children ages 3 to 10 and their families, using their hands and minds to learn more about STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics). In KidSPACE, kids confront challenges and build self-confidence, stimulating a positive attitude toward different learning tactics by encouraging invention through free range exploration, planned workshops and design challenges. Here, children can explore different self-guided and facilitated activities including painting, screen printing and ceramics; textiles including weaving and sewing; a light and dark area for shadow play; free building and design challenges where they can build and construct; and simple tech experimentation with computers and 3D printing.

With every masterpiece created, our youngest guests celebrate the legacy of Anne Dorsey. Meanwhile, the philanthropic spirit of Bob and the Dorsey family will have a lasting impact on all children who pass through KidSPACE. Their support of the Champion More Curiosity Campaign has established an endowment to support our KidSPACE programming while also providing critical current use dollars to support a variety of projects at CMC.





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Here are just a few examples of how your annual support will build more critical thinkers, create lifelong learners and inspire this and future generations to believe in their full potential.

\$50 could provide specialized material to create raised line diagrams. These enable visually-impaired guests to feel a map of featured items like the Devonian corals and layout of the exhibit.

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\$250 could help us ensure exceptional preservation of the more than 450,000 specimens in our Ordovician fossil collection, known globally as the strongest in specimens from the Cincinnatian Series.



\$1,000 will go towards our \$2M goal for the new Ancient Worlds Hiding in Plain Sight gallery, showcasing CMC's world-renowned Ordovician fossil collection.

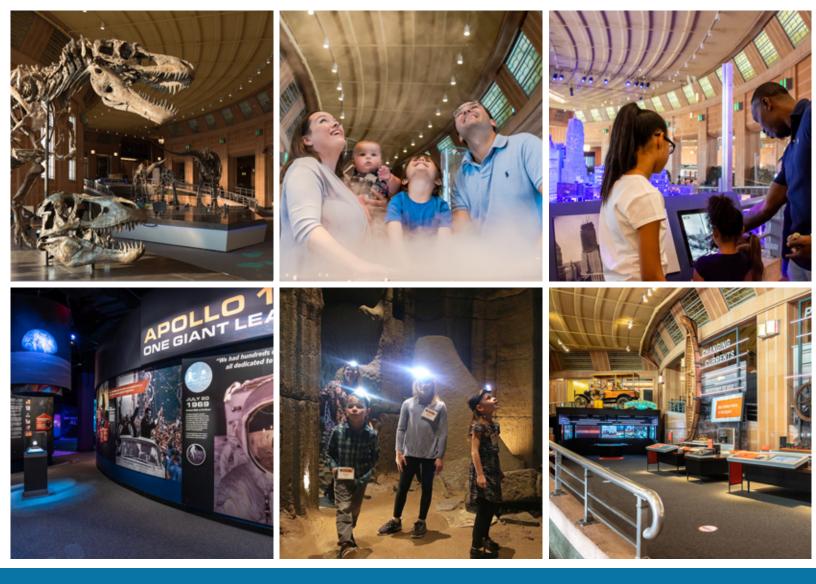


Donate today at supportCMC.org or by mail

We hope you will join us on our mission to inspire the next generation of curious young minds – future historians, scientists, educators, dreamers and thinkers. Your contribution will reimagine and transform the museum experience here at Cincinnati Museum Center.







Neil Armstrong Space Exploration Gallery, presented by the Harold C. Schott Foundation 2019-2020

Science Interactives Gallery, presented by Procter & Gamble 2019

The Cave 2019

Cincinnati in Motion 2019

Dinosaur Hall 2018

2018

2019

Push the limits of imagination.

For more information about how you can Champion More Curiosity or to donate, visit supportCMC.org.

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John A. and Judy Ruthven Get Into Nature Gallery 2022

Made in Cincinnati 2022

Ancient Worlds Hiding in Plain Sight 2023 Archaeology and Early Settlement Gallery 2024

2022

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Thank you!



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