2019 ANNUAL REPORT

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BRINGING PEOPLE TOGETHER.













Connecting people through the power of Arizona's history.

A PLAN FOR THE FUTURE

Connecting people through the power of Arizona's history. Fulfilling this bold mission requires a new strategic plan and a commitment of staff, board members, volunteers, and support groups. The Arizona Historical Society has identified five strategic goals to guide new and expanded initiatives to achieve our mission.

- ▶ **GOAL 1:** Create a unified identity for the organization
- GOAL 2: Enhance financial resources to advance our mission and ensure long-term sustainability and growth
- GOAL 3: Become the most trusted authority on Arizona history
- GOAL 4: Improve our ability to collect, preserve, interpret and disseminate Arizona's history
- GOAL 5: Attract audiences by creating transformative experiences through history



As the only statewide historical organization, we collect and share Arizona's diverse history in unique ways, and engage people, and communities. By striving towards these goals in the coming years, the Arizona Historical Society is poised to harness the power of history in telling relevant and contemporary stories to maximize its statewide impact and expand our reach. With your generous support, we can make it happen.

45,000 visitors, students, and program attendees

OUR SITES

The Arizona Historical Society is a family of museums located in distinct geographic regions across the state. **azhs.org**

TUCSON

- Arizona History Museum
- Downtown History Museum
- ▶ Fort Lowell Museum

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TEMPE

▶ Arizona Heritage Center at Papago Park

YUMA

Sanguinetti House Museum and Gardens

FLAGSTAFF

- ▶ Pioneer Museum
- Riordan Mansion State Historic Park, operated in partnership with AZ State Parks

OUR HISTORIC PROPERTIES

TUCSON

- Mexican-American
 Heritage and History
 Museum at the
 Sosa-Carillo House
- ▶ Charles O. Brown House

DOUGLAS

▶ Douglas-Williams House

STRAWBERRY

▶ Strawberry Schoolhouse

VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are invaluable to our mission—they greet visitors at the museums, work behind the scenes in Collections, and inspire school kids visiting on field trips. Thank you!

403 volunteers contributed 21,045 hours

EXHIBITIONS

PIONEER MUSEUM, FLAGSTAFF

Todos Unidos: The Hispanic Experience in Flagstaff

A Camera and a Canyon: The Photography of the Kolb Brothers

ARIZONA HERITAGE CENTER, TEMPE

Portraits of Courage: A Commander in Chief's Tribute to America's Warriors, a special exhibit from the George W. Bush Institute (October 19 through December 29, 2018)

In partnership with George W. Bush Institute and the Sandra Day O'Connor Institute

A Place for All People

In partnership with the Smithsonian National Museum of African American History and Culture and the AHS Community Voices Group



I Have a Name Featuring the photographs of Jon Linton

ARIZONA HISTORY MUSEUM, TUCSON

Stories of Resilience: Overcoming Adversity in Arizona History

Supported by Tucson's January 8th Foundation and The Marshall Foundation

This powerful exhibit shared three distinct resilience perspectives: Community Resilience, Faces of Resilience, and Resilience Arizonans.

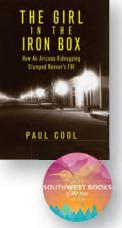
SANGUINETTI HOUSE MUSEUM & GARDENS, YUMA

CLUES: History and Mysteries of Yuma

To find a museum or for more about these and other exhibitions, go to **azhs.org**.

4,084 research requests fulfilled for 807 library and archive patrons

PUBLICATIONS



The Girl in the Iron Box: How an Arizona Kidnapping Stumped Hoover's FBI by Paul Cool

Author Paul Cool recreates in absorbing detail the search for six-year-old June Robles who disappeared from the streets of Tucson on April 25, 1934.

Named a Top Pick in Pima County Public Library's 43rd annual Southwest Books of the Year!

For 60 years, the *Journal of Arizona History* has published the leading scholarship on Arizona



history. Each issue features original research articles and a book review section that focuses on new works on Arizona, the American West, and the border region.

2018 Sonnichsen Award for Most Outstanding Article - Mary Melcher

LIBRARY & ARCHIVES

At the AHS library reading rooms in Tempe and Tucson, researchers and students can explore manuscripts, photographs, diaries, oral histories, and more related to Arizona's economic, political, social, and cultural heritage.



A sample of the Cele Peterson collection.

AL MERITO AWARDS

Over 40 years ago, the Arizona Historical Society established the Al Merito Award to recognize individuals and organizations who contributed to preserving and promoting Arizona history. At the 2019 Arizona History Convention, two Al Merito Awards were presented to Janeen Trevillyan and Desert Caballeros Western Museum.



Arizona Historical Society Director W. James Burns, Individual Award Recipient Janeen Trevillyan (Sedona Historical Society and Sedona Heritage Center), Institutional Award Recipient Desert Caballeros Western Museum (accepted by Daniel Finley, Executive Director), and Board President Dr. Voie S. Chase Coy, Ph.D.

NATIONAL HISTORY DAY



National History Day Arizona makes history come alive by engaging middle school and high school students in the discovery of the historical, cultural, scientific, and social experiences of the past. Through in-depth research, project-based learning, hands-on experiences, and presentations, Arizona students become better prepared to inform the present and shape the future. Fifty-six students from Arizona competed at the 2019 National History Day contest in Maryland, with several students and teams receiving top prizes.

508 National History Day Arizona students participated



Amazing Arizona Kids Program at the Arizona Heritage Center

9,700 Arizona students served

EDUCATION & PROGRAMS

From Garden Talks at the Sanguinetti House Museum & Gardens, to Afternoon with the Elders at the Arizona Heritage Center, to Night at the Museum at Pioneer Museum, and the Lecture Series at the Arizona History Museum, programs, tours, and field trips strengthen connections between Arizona history and our communities.



2019 Flag Wool & Fiber Festival at Pioneer Museum.

ON THE COVER

Top row: Photos from the Arizona Historical Society Archives. Portrait of a family gathering in Tucson on May 5, 1890; Amelia Earhart and unidentified man at Phoenix South Central Airport; and bicycling club friends in the early 1900s.

Bottom row: Three small ranch boys; Lt. Barry Goldwater, second from left, and unidentified officers in front of an office building at the newly built Luke Army Air Field.

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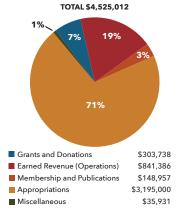
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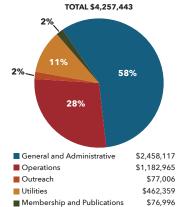
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FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

FY 2018-19 REVENUE



FY 2018-19 EXPENSES



CERTIFIED HISTORICAL INSTITUTIONS

The Certified Historical Institution (CHI) Program (formerly the Certified Museum Program) supports historical museums and organizations across the state in their efforts to collect, preserve, and share Arizona's rich history. This program is open to brick-and-mortar facilities, as well as to historical organizations that fulfill certain requirements. In 2019, there were 64 CHI members across the state.

In 2019, 22 CHIs were awarded \$35,027 in grant funds to invest in Arizona history projects such as exhibits, collections, and more.

GRANTORS

- Arizona Community Foundation
- Arizona Humanities Council
- Flagstaff Art & Science Fund/ Flagstaff Arts Council
- Go Daddy

- Kemper and Ethel Marley Foundation
- Rio Salado Architecture Foundation
- ▶ Salt River Project

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History Partners volunteer, raise funds, and support the programs and activities of the Arizona Historical Society. We appreciate their generous support! More information about each group is at **azhs.org**.

- Friends of Arizona Historical Society, Inc.
- ▶ Arizona History Convention
- Friends of Arizona History, Inc.
- ▶ Historical League, Inc.
- ▶ Los Amigos

- Northern Arizona Pioneers' Historical Society (NAPHS) and Riordan Action Network (RAN)
- Pathfinders (Arizona Pathfinders, Inc.)
- Yuma County Historical Society

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