

Formally the Mountain Top Children's Museum

Dear Potential Volunteer,

We are seeking members to join Mountain Top Exploratorium's Capital Campaign Subcommittees who not only have a variety of experience, but have a passion for connecting families in our community. As we approach the next phase, we want to reach out and offer you a unique opportunity to be part of something truly amazing.

The Mountain Top Children's Museum's (MTCM) story began in 2002, when we decided to embark on a new, exciting journey. For over seventeen years the children's museum, designed for hands-on learning and authentic connections, was experienced by over 100,000 guests and locals. MTCM supplemented its museum with school-age programs including Summer Day Camp and Kids Night Out with an emphasis on Art, Nature and STEM activities. Our Community Outreach program brought science-based workshops to local elementary and early childhood schools.. MTCM also provided family friendly educational components to any community event.

In April of 2019, the Children's Museum lost its home due to a hotel expansion. MTCM was in full swing of a Capital Campaign with a building in sight until the global pandemic hit in March of 2020. Since COVID-19, Mountain Top has shifted its focus to supporting our local community with live online workshops, science content through our YouTube Channel, and school-age programs including Summer Day Camp, Distance Learning Support, and After-School programs.

With emphasis on our school-age programs instead of a children's museum for over a year, Mountain Top Children's Museum rebranded to Mountain Top Exploratorium to highlight the enrichment programs we've offered since 2002. As we strive to create a community resource with science and nature based programs, we believe an "exploratorium" will capture all that we offer even without a consistent location.

The MTE is currently in preparations to relaunch a capital campaign to secure a permanent location in our Summit County community. Our strategy is within the following sub-committees:

- **Special Events:** planning big and small events to rally the community
- **Marketing:** spreading the word
- Major Gifts: pursuing individual donations, donor advised funds
- **Community Partnerships:** connect with local businesses/groups including Govt Relations
- **Location**: help find MTE's new home

We are asking for your commitment to a subcommittee that best fits your expertise. Your responsibilities will include meeting once a month with your sub-committee members along with 2-3 hours of your time per month through December of 2021.

We hope that you find this information helpful in your consideration. If you require anything further or have questions, please feel free to contact us at any time. With your help, we can secure a forever home for the Mountain Top Exploratorium.

Sincerely,

Tiernan Spencer Executive Director