Annual Appeal

Give to Peopleplace Endowment Fund

From the Director...

We are grateful for our beautiful facility and land that we utilize each day. We are grateful for all of the amazing parents who are so dedicated to our cooperative. We are grateful for the incredibly competent teachers who work diligently to provide such a strong foundation for young children. We are grateful for our thoughtful, engaged Board of Directors. We are grateful for those in the community who support the important work we do. I often reflect on how fortunate we are to have Peopleplace as a model program for families in Midcoast Maine. It is no accident that we thrive as an important resource for the community. Our philosophy and mission foster support, connection, civic responsibility, and a strong foundation. It is my hope that Peopleplace can continue to be a choice for those who believe in its mission. For the school to be accessible to all, we need your help to bolster our endowment and ensure that young children, for years to come, can grow and learn – alongside their parents – at Peopleplace. Thank you for anything you can give!

Warm Regards, Sessa Salas

REASONS TO GIVE

1. Early Childhood Education is Primary

2. Support our Scholarship Fund

3. Gift is Tax Deductible
Outdoor Classroom

We are now a CAMPUS

Into the woods! What a welcome addition to the Peopleplace campus the yurt has been. It has opened up a whole new world of outdoor exploration allowing children to spend more time in nature, problem solving, observing the changes of the seasons, journalling, and being inspired by the environment. Environment is the third teacher is a Reggio idea we have embraced – both inside and out.

Fundraising Goals

$26,000

Every year we rely on various ways of meeting our fundraising goal. This year we will host events, solicit wreath sales, send our annual appeal, and sell raffle tickets for 2 round-trip airline tickets donated to us by Peopleplace alum and JetBlue pilot, Brian Watkins. The families and Board of Directors work hard to achieve this goal each year. It is always a challenge. That’s where you come it. We need your help to ensure all families can access our programs. Thank you for you donation!!
Music

We are thrilled to be the local program Bay Chamber Concerts chose to collaborate with by bringing an early childhood music program into our classrooms. The arts are essential to the human experience and we work hard to integrate the many forms into our curriculum.

Cooperative

We are holding onto this unique and treasured part of our program. Despite the stressors placed on the modern family, we continue to value the idea of participation, ownership, and doing our part for the greater good. Our families are dedicated to balancing their busy lives to ensure we model for our children these extremely important facets of character and civil responsibility. Of course, we always remind our families that the by-products of this participation are community and relationship building, connection, and life-long learning.

Faculty

As a whole staff we take professional development very seriously. Here are a group of us at the Maine NAEYC conference held at the Cross Insurance Center in Bangor on October 4th. The conference was organized by several state-wide agencies including DHHS, MRTQ, Educare of Central Maine, Head Start Directors, Department of Education, and the Family Childcare Association of Maine. Peopleplace staff are committed to observing best practices and exploring innovative early childhood approaches to learning through various professional development opportunities.
Our Board of Directors is a dedicated group of parents who care about maintaining the integrity of the founding principles of Peopleplace.

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Middle School Service Project

We are so grateful that Camden Rockport Middle School students come to Peopleplace each year to participate in their annual service project. This year, the eager-to-help students cleared leaves and other debris from the trails in our new outdoor classroom and made some new paths for our preschoolers to trample on. They worked very hard and exhibited teamwork, grit, and had a lot of fun, too. Thank you CRMS!!

Alumni & Friends

We love our alumni! It is our hope that when families move on from Peopleplace that they stay connected and reflect on their time spent here with warmth and joy.

Thank you for your support!

Please Give

We are asking that you help us by giving to our annual fund which will bolster our endowment and allow us to provide scholarships to help young families access our innovative programs.

Donations made before midnight on December 31, 2019 are tax deductible for 2019!

Cost of Childcare

The cost of childcare has increased significantly in recent years. It has become a national crisis. Currently, there is no public pre-k in our district. No public money or tax dollars go towards this essential start to every child’s development which includes a strong foundation of physical, cognitive, and social/emotional skills. Parents carry the burden of paying for what should not be considered a privilege anymore. Every dollar helps.

In accordance with IRS code, Peopleplace states that no goods or services were provided in exchange for this donation. Federal Tax ID # 01-0395145.