27 unique museum events
$110,000+ raised by the Friends of the NCHM
54 special event rentals sold
16 nonprofit, student, or community organizations supported with free or reduced cost facility rental

Growth in visitation for 3 years in a row
More than $300k pledged to domicile endowment
61 donors

Increased rental revenue for 3rd consecutive year
273 K-12 students & educators served
450+ hours of service
2 new staff positions created

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**FY18 Income ($228k)**
(June 1, 2017 - May 31, 2018)

- **Friends** ($109.3k)
- **Friends Trips** ($6.2k)
- **Grants & Major Gifts** ($18.9k)
- **Investments** ($44.2k)
- **Facility Rental** ($34.2k)
- **Programming** ($15.2k)

**FY18 Expense ($214.5k)**

- **Staff** ($103.8k)
- **Buildings & Grounds** ($66k)
- **Office** ($77k)
- **Development & PR** ($11k)
- **Insurance** ($17.2k)
- **Programming & Collections** ($8.8k)

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From Our Leadership

Dear Friends of the Neill-Cochran House Museum:

We are happy to present to you the first consolidated Annual Report for the Neill-Cochran House Museum. This report covers the 2017-2018 fiscal year and its timing reflects the rapid growth we have experienced over the past few years, which has put us in a position where such a document is not just possible but warranted.

The National Society of the Colonial Dames of America in Texas took responsibility for the Neill-Cochran House Museum historic site sixty years ago, in 1958. The NCHM grew organically for decades, from opening the site to the public for the first time in 1962, through major restoration and renovation in the 1970s, and an active school tour program entirely supported through volunteer Dames into the 2000s.

The museum entered a new phase in 2005, with the hiring of its first professional Director and the institution of new programming (Modern Times lecture series), a support organization (The Friends of the Neill-Cochran House Museum), and Friends Study Tours, all of which continue today.

By the mid 2010s, the museum was poised to make another leap, and from 2014 to today we have more than quadrupled our annual visitor numbers, generated new family programming, welcomed back schools with reformulated curriculum, and presented an increasingly varied and robust series of temporary exhibitions. At the same time, on the back end of museum operations, we have adopted a new mission statement, revisited and updated our strategic plan, implemented a new data management platform, and approved a succession plan in the event of the emergency absence of the Executive Director.

You will see many of these initiatives profiled in the pages of this report, along with the generous financial support that has made our work possible. This year, the NCHM hired our first Development Officer and raised almost $110K through the Friends of the NCHM, resulting in a $13k net positive budget. We also accepted pledges for $300K towards the Domicile Endowment Fund through the newly established Legacy Society.

Thanks to you, our donors, for all that you have done to make our success possible – together we will not only preserve and present history, but forge our way into a dynamic future.

With thanks and all good wishes.

Eileen Moody
President, NSCDTA-TX

Karen Pope
Chair, Neill-Cochran House Museum Committee

Rowena Dasch
Executive Director, Neill-Cochran House Museum
The Neill-Cochran House Museum

A Year in Review

Experience’s Treasures
September-December 2017
Is Now the Dream?
January 2017-May 2018
Floral Appliqué in Full Bloom
January-March 2018

The Neill-Cochran House Museum

We Teach Make Save
Are Austin History

Thanks to an anonymous donor, we refinished our original stair treads and installed a period-appropriate carpet runner to preserve them for the next 160 years of use.

The classic bartender’s text, How to Mix Drinks, or the Bon Vivant’s Companion, inspired “Festive Spirits,” our new holiday donor appreciation event.

Thanks to support from The Summerlee Foundation and Humanities Texas, our updated curriculum allowed us to begin serving AISD schools with TEKS-aligned subject material.

“The best actually talked our field trip up to everyone who will listen.”
-3rd grade instructor

Museum Staff 2017-2018

From left:
Ann Flemings
Development Officer
Ann is a certified fundraising executive with a BFA and MA from Indiana University of Pennsylvania. She has served as Development Officer since Summer 2017.

Rowena Houghton Dasch
Executive Director
Rowena is an art historian with a BA from Princeton University and a PhD from U. Austin. She has served as the Executive Director since Fall 2013.

Gene E. Heard
Facility Manager
A native of Detroit, Michigan, Gene has overseen all aspects of the historic and modern buildings at the Neill-Cochran House Museum since 2007.

Andrea Gray Perry
Business & Programming Director
Andrea has her BA in Philosophy from St. John’s College and started her first nonprofit when she was 20. She has served as the Business & Programming Director since January 2015.