



NORTH CAROLINA

Grassroots Science Museums

COLLABORATIVE

Grassroots Science Museums Collaborative Member List

Aurora Fossil Museum • Aurora
Cape Fear Museum • Wilmington
Carolina Raptor Center • Charlotte
Catawba Science Center • Hickory
Charlotte Nature Museum • Charlotte
Colburn Earth Science Museum • Asheville
Core Sound Waterfowl Museum • Harkers Island
Discovery Place • Charlotte
Fascinate-U Children's Museum • Fayetteville
GO-Science • Greenville
Granville County Museum • Oxford
Greensboro Children's Museum • Greensboro
The Health Adventure • Asheville
Highlands Biological Station and Nature • Highlands
Imagination Station • Wilson
Iredell Museums • Statesville
KidSenses Children's InterACTIVE Museum • Rutherfordton
Morehead Planetarium and Science Center • Chapel Hill
Museum of Coastal Carolina and Ingram Planetarium • Ocean Isle
Museum of Life and Science • Durham
The Natural Science Center of Greensboro • Greensboro
North Carolina Museum of Forestry • Whiteville
North Carolina Museum of Natural History • Raleigh
Pisgah Astronomical Research Institute • Rosman
Port Discover • Elizabeth City
Robeson County Planetarium and Science Center • Lumberton
Rocky Mount Children's Museum and Science Center • Rocky Mount
Rowan Nature Center • Salisbury
Schiele Museum of Natural History • Gastonia
SciWorks • Winston-Salem
Sylvan Heights Waterfowl Center • Neck
Western North Carolina Nature Center • Asheville
Wilmington Children's Museum • Wilmington

The Grassroots Science Museums Collaborative is the only statewide partnership of museums dedicated to inspiring and educating today's youth and adults in science and technology for North Carolina's competitive future.

Grassroots Science Museums are located in communities across the state of North Carolina – from the mountains to the coast. These museums serve millions of citizens annually through general visitation, teacher training and special programs. Programs include both onsite and offsite presentations and reach students in every North Carolina school district.

Citizens from all 100 counties visit these museums each year and are served through outreach programs. School children not only visit nearby museums, but travel across county lines to other member museums. Museums travel, too, offering outreach programs across the state.

Museums are important partners in inspiring and educating youth and adults in science and technology – connecting classroom learning to real-world experiences. Moreover, museums are one-of-a-kind places where visitors learn together through engaging, interactive environments.

The economic impact of North Carolina's Grassroots Science Museums

Through Grassroots, North Carolina's science centers:

- Attract over 3 million visitors annually
- Serve all 100 counties
- Make a \$100 million economic impact

In addition to inspiring and educating North Carolinians in science and technology, Grassroots Science Museums have a positive impact on tourism and local industry. Our state is receiving a positive return on the investments made in Grassroots, and **for every state dollar allocated, \$14.80 is raised in additional support.**

How Grassroots Science Museums are funded

Each of the museums is funded through a mixture of revenue sources, including earned income, donations, grants, local governments and state support. While state support varies from museum to museum, state support is vital to the operating needs of each institution.

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From the Mountains to the Coast
www.grassroots-science.org