

# ANNUAL REPORT

FRIENDS OF SPARE PARTS

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San Antonio, Texas 78247

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## ABOUT THE ORGANIZATION

Spare Parts was founded in 2011 as a response to the lack of arts funds and resources in PreK-12 classrooms. From 2011-2016 Spare Parts was able to distribute art supplies supplies to over **100,000** PreK-12 students through the “Fine Arts Fair” program.

In 2018 Spare Parts officially became a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization (Friends of Spare Parts) with the set mission to “Advance reuse and sustainability through creativity and the arts.”

In April 2021 the Spare Parts Center for Creative Reuse opened to the public. The purpose of the Center for Creative Reuse is to facilitate the intake of pre-owned creative materials and supplies that would otherwise be thrown away or underutilized and offers them back into the community through program offerings and storefront.

The Center for Creative Reuse is a community driven operation and depends on material donors, volunteers, and patrons to continue to sustain a safe and welcoming social gathering place where teachers, parents, crafters, kids, and artists, can access affordable pre-loved supplies and materials.



# FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Dear community,

I have personally witnessed the Center for Creative Reuse evolve over the past four years in different roles, from board member to Administrator most recently in 2023. Starting in 2024, I am honored to serve as **Executive Director** for Spare Parts.

Back in January 2020, the Spare Parts Board of Directors made it a goal to establish San Antonio's first Creative Reuse Center. Before the retail space was even found, summer craft "survival" kits were sold online and hand delivered to homes all around San Antonio. After the lease for our Wetmore space was signed in September 2020, the team (mostly volunteers) hit the ground running. We took in donations, processed them, and got them ready for the sales floor. We then repeated this process a few hundred times or so, give or take.

All that hard work has paid off, as the Center for Creative Reuse now generates enough revenue to not only sustain the organization, but allows us to give back even more through our programming and special events. Another milestone that took place in 2023 was being able to hire our first part-time staff at the Center for Creative Reuse.

It's amazing how far we have come as an organization that was created out of necessity over 10 years ago, and at the same time, I can tell this is just the beginning.

**MAGGI PEACHEY,  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

# 2023 DATA

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**CREATIVE REUSE  
MATERIALS  
DIVERTED FROM  
THE LANDFILL IN  
2023:  
26,407 POUNDS**

**MATERIAL DONORS  
313**



Reagan Key Club group volunteering

**CREATIVE  
REUSE  
MATERIALS  
DIVERTED FROM  
THE LANDFILL  
SINCE OPENING:  
69,233 POUNDS**

That's about as  
much as seven  
elephants!



**UNIQUE  
VOLUNTEERS:  
92  
VOLUNTEER  
HOURS:  
3,571**

Our amazing volunteers help process donations and group volunteers tackle special tasks cooperatively.

# 2023 DATA

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## INTERNS

3

## INTERN HOURS

340

Our 2023 interns gained hand-on experience to better understand what it takes to run a second-hand store and a small nonprofit organization. They added significant value to the organization by completing new challenges each week.

## VIP

## REGISTRATIONS IN

2023:

179

## TOTAL VIPS:

438

Manisha, High school intern



## PATRONS SERVED AT THE CENTER:

1,817

## VIP SAVINGS AND PROMOTIONAL SAVINGS:

\$13,387.61

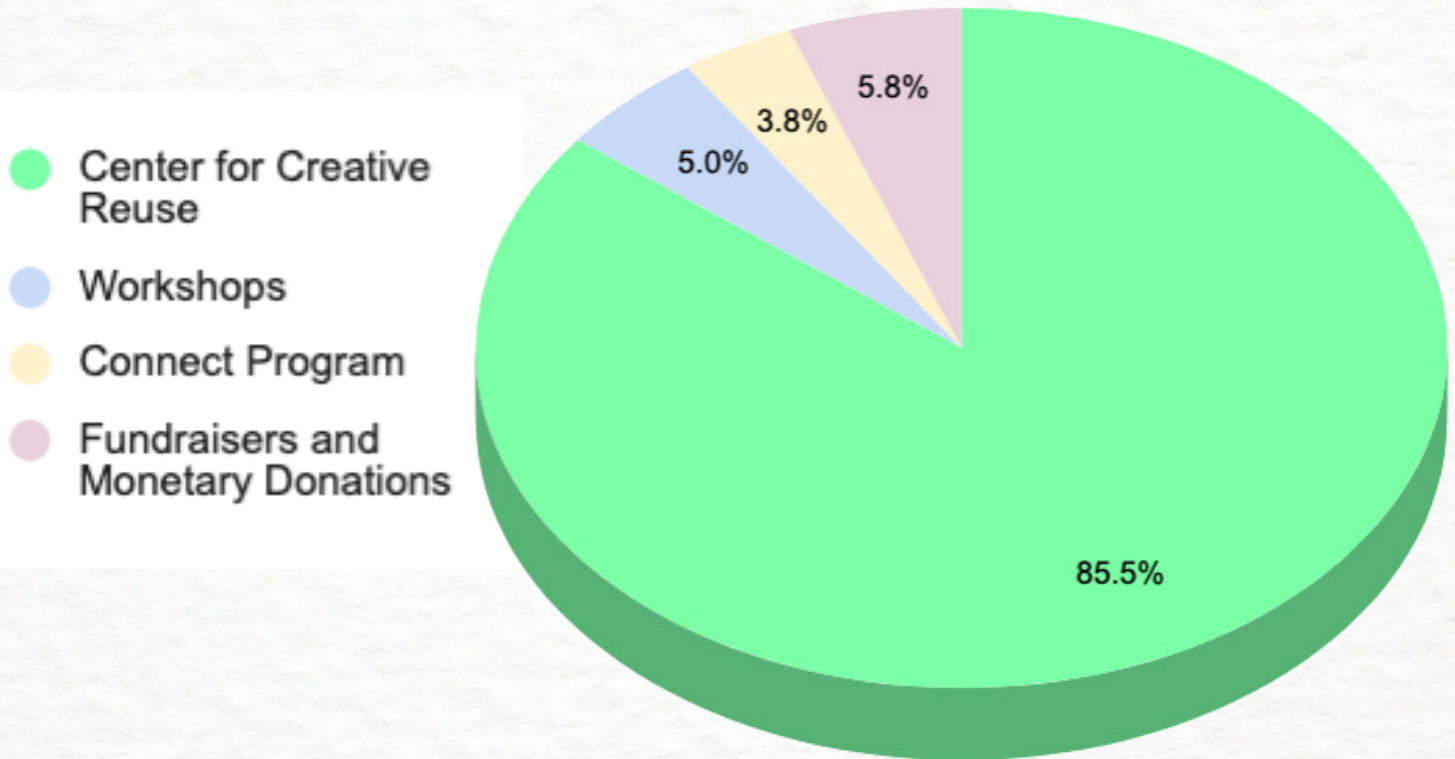
# INCOME

FRIENDS OF SPARE PARTS

**TOTAL 2023 INCOME:  
\$113,121**

## 2023 INCOME

Over 85 percent of our revenue comes from the patrons who shop at the Center for Creative Reuse. This allows us to operate and cover expenses necessary for growth. Workshops and our Spare Parts Connect program help advance our mission and provide educational opportunities to the community.



## 2023 FUNDRAISERS

We hosted a Summer Sidewalk Sale that allowed patrons to name their price on select items. In September, we held our first ever Silent Auction to kick-off The Big Give.

# EXPENSES

FRIENDS OF SPARE PARTS

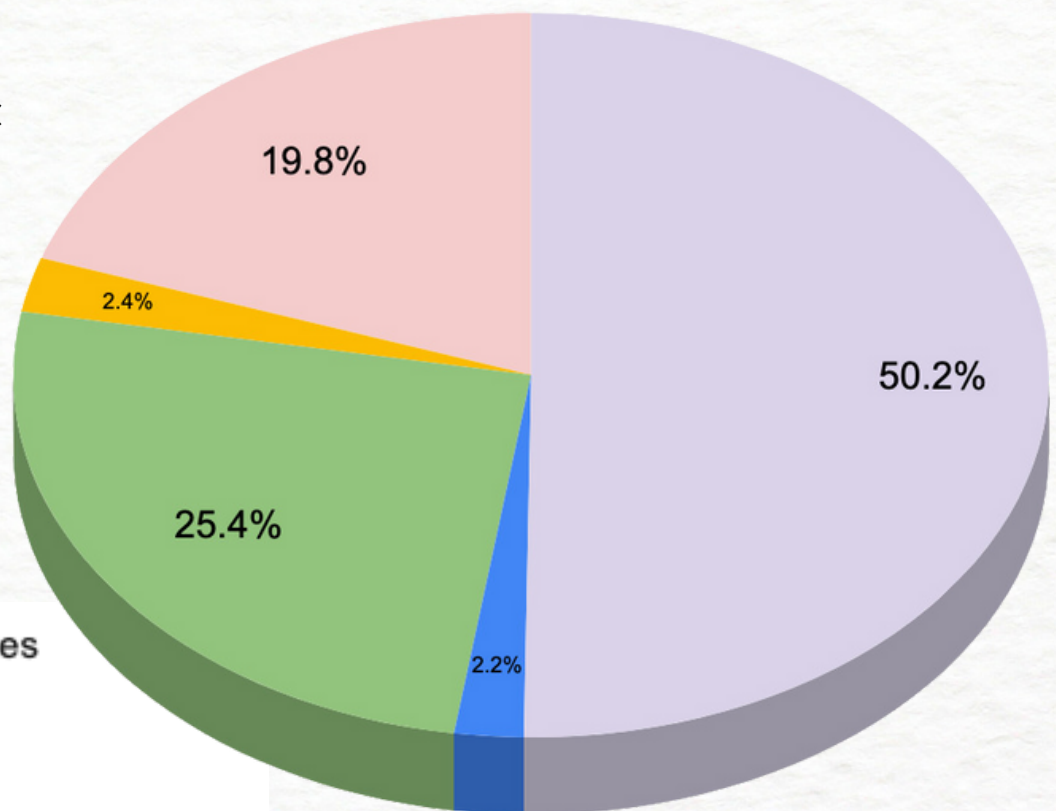
**TOTAL 2023 EXPENSES:  
\$82,081**

## 2023 EXPENSES

Over 50 percent of our expenses goes towards qualified, trained, and dedicated staff that are integral to operations.

In 2023 we hired our first part-time Center Associates who help run check-out, assist patrons with finding items, and help receive and weigh donations.

Operating expenses and fees include: CC processing fees, payroll services, bookkeeping services, web hosting fees, software, and insurance.



- Salaries and Wages
- Utilities
- Rent
- Supplies
- Operating Expenses and Fees

# NET REVENUE

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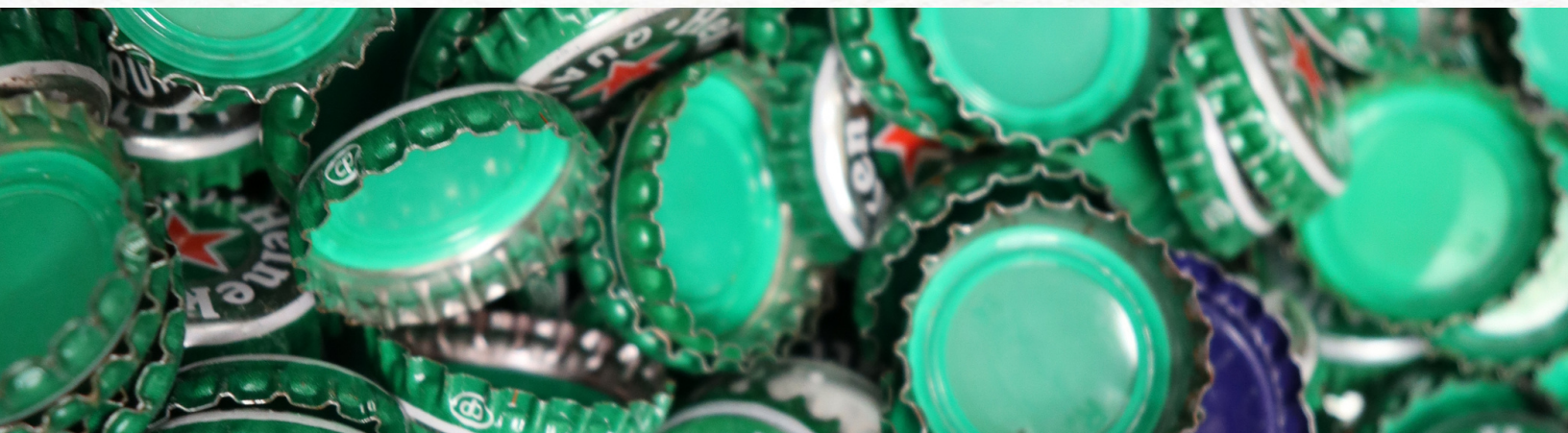
## WHERE WILL NET REVENUE GO?

The 2024 board of directors will determine how best to utilize the net revenue earned in 2023 that advances the organization's mission and serves the community.

**Emergency fund:** Some of the funds will be set aside into an emergency fund to help cover 3-6 months in operating costs in the event of an emergency or disaster so that we can continue to operate with no issues.

**Reinvestment:** The board will carefully determine how the funds can be used to reinvest into the organization in such a way that allows us to expand and provide our services to a larger portion of the underserved San Antonio community. This might including hiring more staff, upgrading supplies and equipment, scholarships, and expansion related expenses.

**TOTAL 2023 NET  
REVENUE: \$31,131**

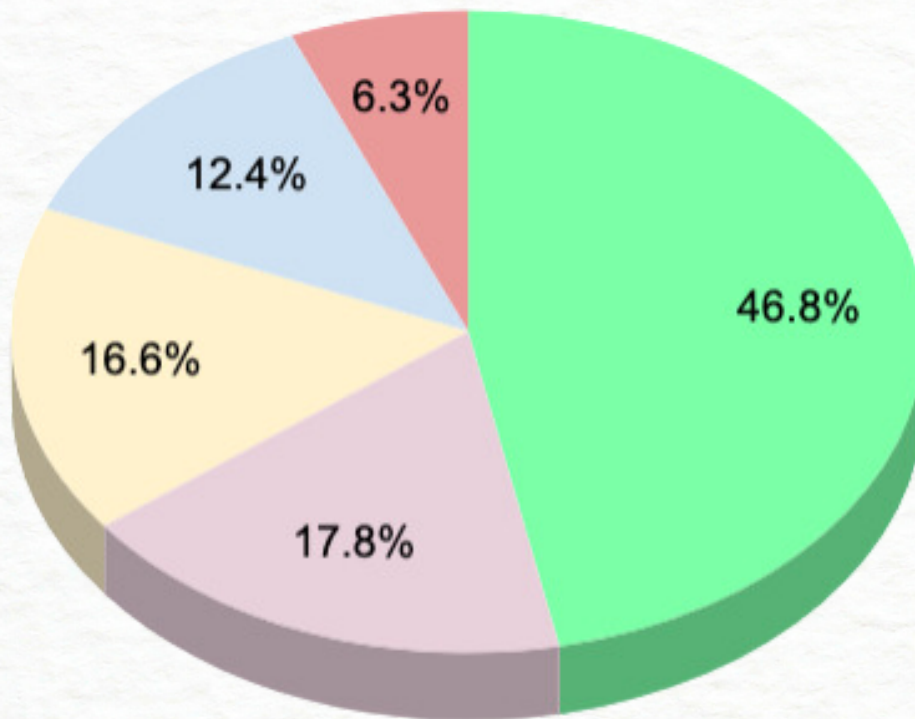




# 2023 CATEGORY SALES

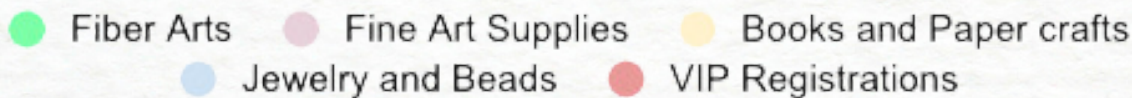
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## CENTER FOR CREATIVE REUSE TOP 5 CATEGORY SALES



### DID YOU KNOW?

The Fiber Arts department has been the top selling department since opening the Center and includes fabric, yarn, sewing notions, crochet hooks, knitting needles, embroidery floss, and of course sewing machines.



### A NOTE ABOUT VIP REGISTRATIONS:

VIP Loyalty Program fees (\$30/person) help fund the supplies required to process donations. In return for registering for life, VIPs get a discount every time they shop with us plus they can bring in one bag of donations per day during operating hours.

# EDUCARIONAL PROGRAMS

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## WORKSHOPS HOSTED AT THE CENTER FOR CREATIVE REUSE

Hosted in 2023: **38**

Participants: **190**

**8** Facilitators

## SPARE PARTS CONNECT EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

Events: **20**

Participants: **1083**

**8** Facilitators

In 2023 Spare Parts as  
“Connected” with: The  
San Antonio Public  
Library, San Antonio  
Coffee Festival, Ruby City,  
Texas Biomedical  
Research Institute, City of  
San Antonio World  
Heritage Office, Zine Fest,  
San Japan

**207 LBS OF  
MATERIALS  
REDISTRIBUTED  
TO THE  
COMMUNITY  
THROUGH 2023  
EDUCATIONAL  
PROGRAMMING**



Ruby City  
sculpture  
activity

# 2023 SPONSORS

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**THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING  
BUSINESSES FOR SPONSORING OUR  
FUNDRAISING EFFORTS IN 2023**



## IN-KIND SPONSORS:

H-E-B, Global Travel Adventures, The Main St. Bar, Tobin Center for the Performing arts, Total Wine and More, Pluckers, Kendra Scott, The Do Seum, Chicken N Pickle, Queen Bee Juicery, James Avery, Chica Verde, Good goods

# 2023 TEAM

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## 2023 BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Martha Vasquez - President

Jerry Forrester - Vice President

Anna Garcia - Treasurer

## CENTER FOR CREATIVE REUSE COMMITTEE MEMBERS THROUGHOUT 2023:



Martha Vasquez

Jerry Forrester

Jill Doyle - Workshop Coordinator

Eric Cavazos - Connect Coordinator

Deb Uhler - Hospitality

Maggi Peachey

Lindsey Smitchger

Liz Gomez

## FULL-TIME STAFF BY THE END OF 2023:

Maggi Peachey - Administrator

## PART-TIME STAFF BY THE END OF 2023:

Zoe - Center Associate

Micah - Center Associate