



# PLANT INC.

PARENT LED ACADEMIC NETWORK TEAM, INC.

## ANNUAL REPORT 2019



*CONNECTING PARENTS AND TEACHERS*

## From the Executive Director's DESK

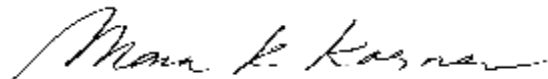
Dear supporters of PLANT, Inc.,

Today's educational model is outdated and unbiblical in the sense that parents whom God have entrusted with the responsibility of training children are relegated to a role with little influence. PLANT, Inc. has a vision of an educational model, which restores parents to their God-given role as primary decision-makers in their children's education. In this "network" model, parents have the ultimate authority to train children, they are responsible for children's success, they set long-term strategies, establish a vision and a mission for their children's education but are supported by the Church and Godly members of the community who contribute through teaching, tutoring, coaching and mentoring.

The advantages of organizing as a network include: cost effectiveness; efficiency; learning customized to each individual learner (even to each learning season); and access to vastly greater number of resources than is available through any single institution. It is our hope that it also invokes discovery, wonder and awe, praise, beauty and love. For the past four years, PLANT, Inc. has worked to implement this counter-cultural idea. With the help of our supporters, partners, and participants we have grown and developed but we still have very far to go in disseminating this idea and developing it as a workable model.

As you survey this, our second annual report, you will see how much we have achieved with your support in terms of a growing number of participants and greater class offerings. For 2019, we have doubled the number of registrations over 2018. It was our best year yet!

Thank you for your support!



Mona K. Koerner  
Executive Director

**To PLANT Today is to believe in Tomorrow**

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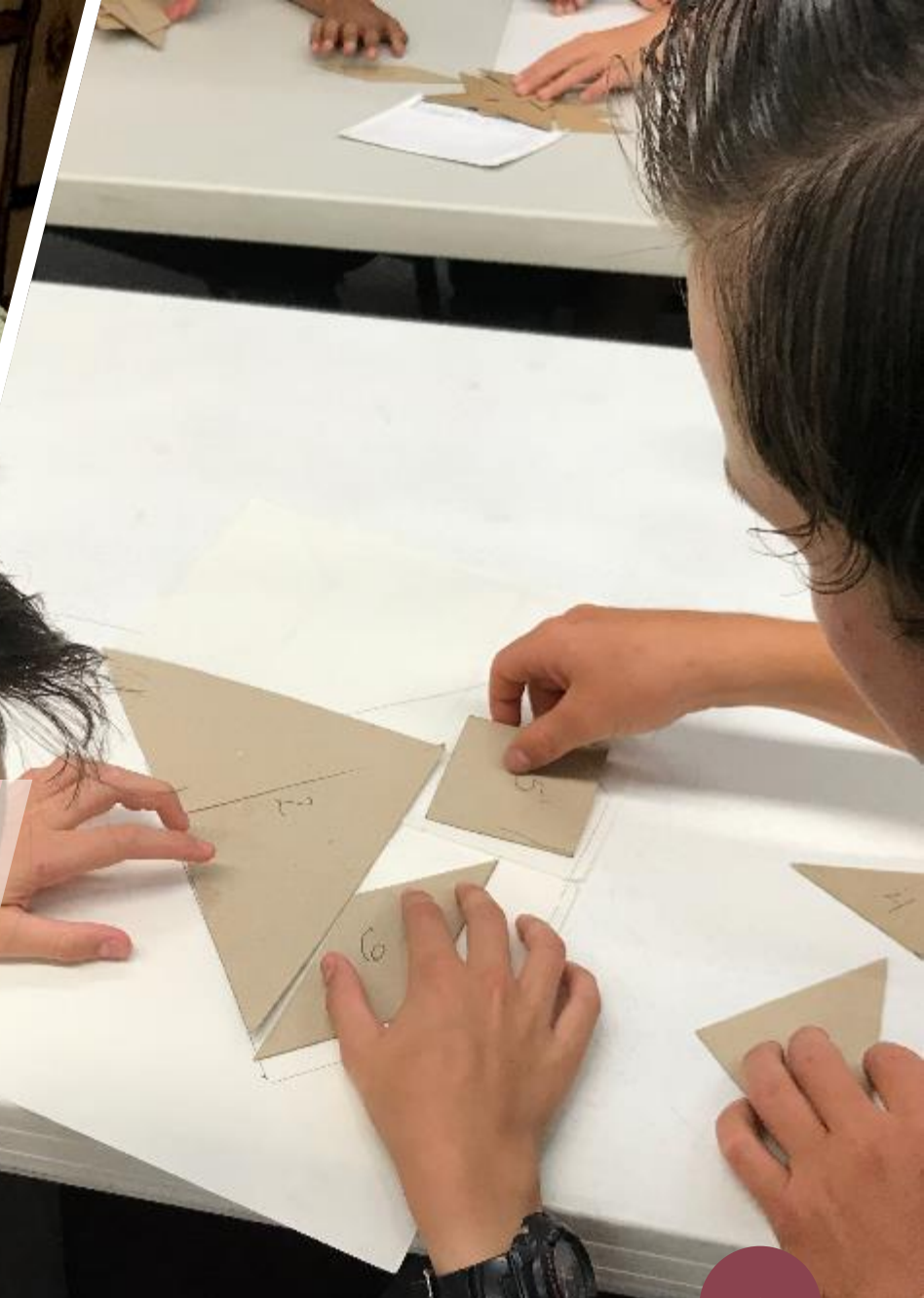
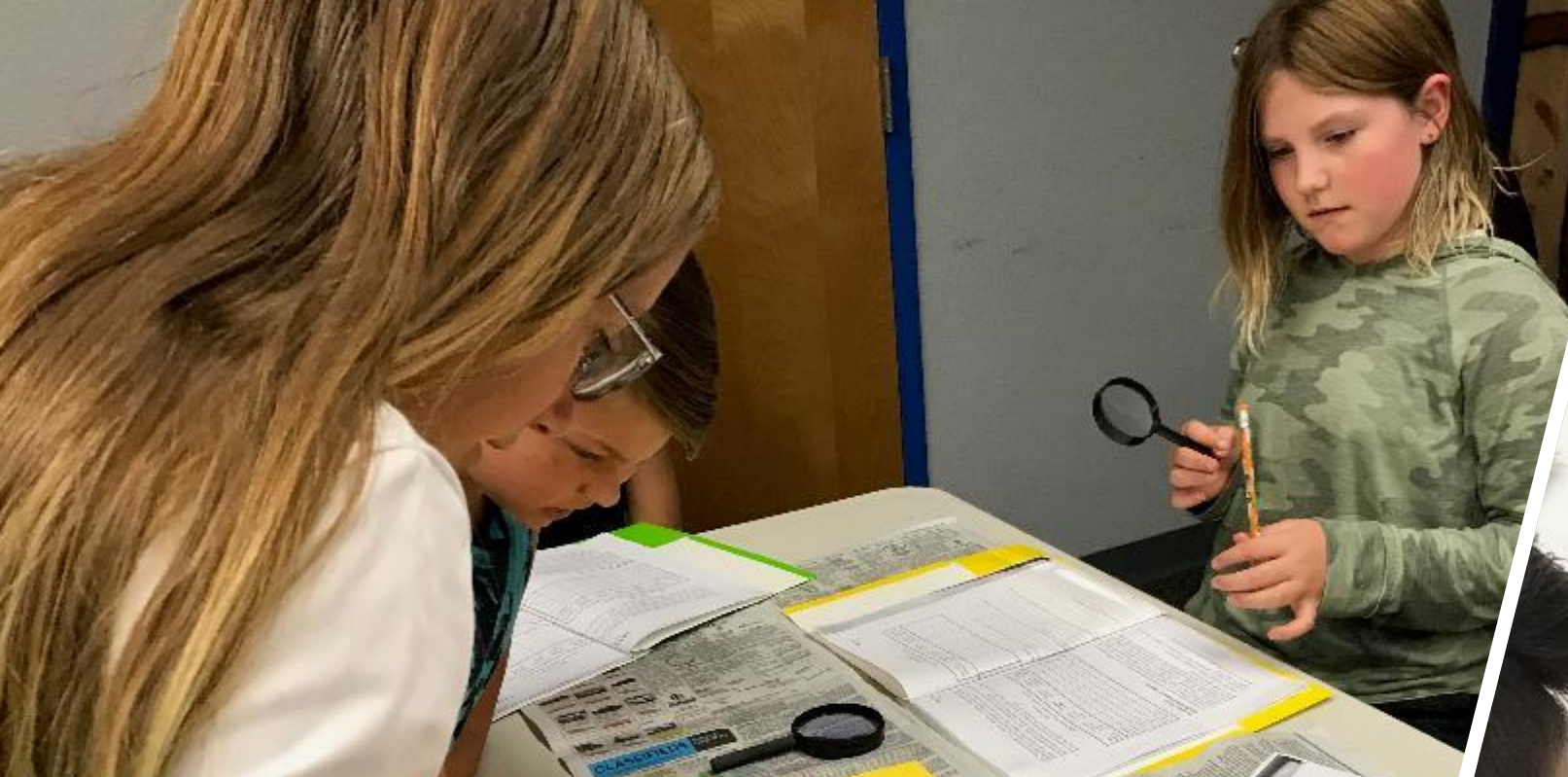
*Edie Downs*

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**TELL ME** AND I FORGET  
**TEACH ME** AND I REMEMBER  
**INVOLVE ME** AND I LEARN

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN



# Educational Challenge

## OUR SCHOOLS ARE FAILING



“The NAEP (National Assessment of Educational Progress) results show government mandates on the education system are counterproductive. Our children are failing, and our country will pay the ultimate price for the federal scheme to take away the local control of curriculum.”

“This country is in a student achievement crisis, and over the past decade it has continued to worsen, especially for our most vulnerable students. Two out of three of our nation’s children aren’t proficient readers. In fact, fourth grade reading declined in 17 states, and eighth grade reading declined in 31.” [U.S. Education Secretary, Betsy DeVos]

The Heartland Institute (December 9, 2019)

## #1 REASON: LACK OF PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

<https://www.theedadvocate.org/10-reasons-the-u-s-education-system-is-failing/>

“SCHOOLS HAVE NOT NECESSARILY MUCH TO DO WITH EDUCATION... THEY ARE MAINLY INSTITUTIONS OF CONTROL WHERE CERTAIN BASIC HABITS MUST BE INCULCATED IN THE YOUNG. EDUCATION IS QUITE DIFFERENT AND HAS LITTLE PLACE IN SCHOOL.”  
WINSTON CHURCHILL



# SOLUTION: Create a NETWORK model of Education

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PROVIDING ACCESS TO RICHER LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

## PLANT, INC.

Connects students with resources...

...Especially with Godly men and women who want to teach our children well

## PARENTS

Know their children best

Have long term vision

God has uniquely chosen them

## INDEPENDENT TEACHERS

Christian Worldview

Role models and heroes inspire and motivate

People have unique gifts and passions to share

Young people need mentors beyond their parents

## EDUCATION DECISIONS

Unique to each student

Cost effective

Efficient

Fluid & Adjustable

Address individual needs and talents

PLANT, INC. BELIEVES PARENTS SHOULD MAKE DECISIONS ABOUT EDUCATION



# PERSPECTIVE

## VISION

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An educational model where parents not only train their children in the ways of the Lord but also lead them into an unknown future with help from the Church.

## GOAL

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To Plant Students in the Kingdom of God

## MISSION

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To connect independent teachers and tutors with parents for the purpose of providing academic opportunities from a Biblical Worldview.

## PRINCIPLES

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Parental Authority  
Teacher Independence  
Choice  
Community  
Truth  
Beauty





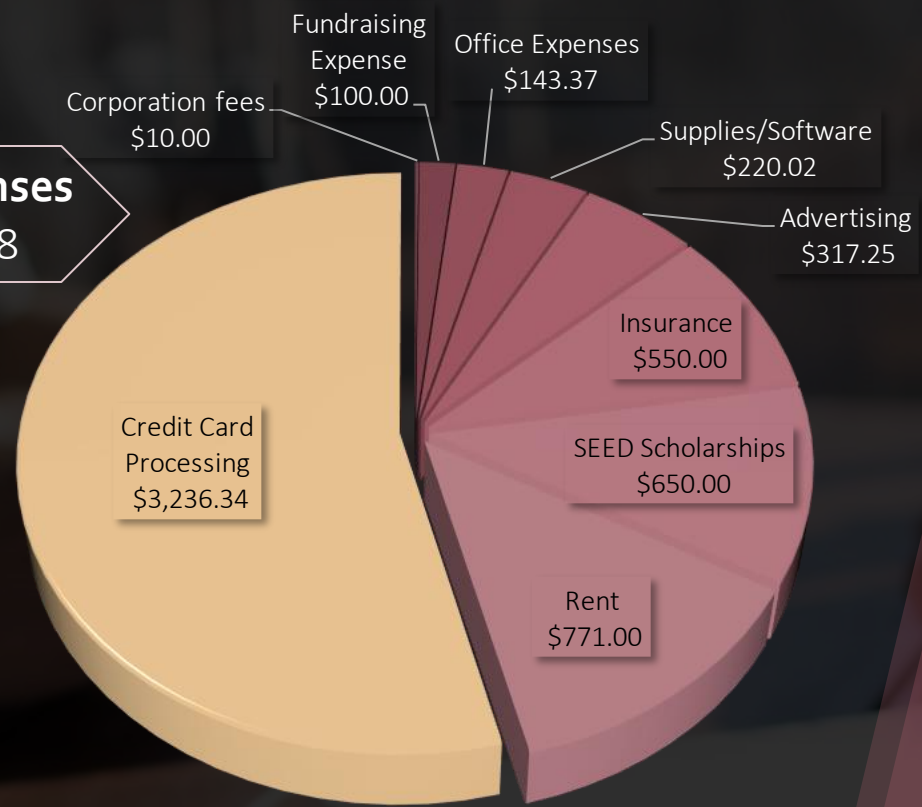
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LIGHTING OF A FIRE. OF SUCH IS WISDOM"  
WILLIAM B. YEATS*



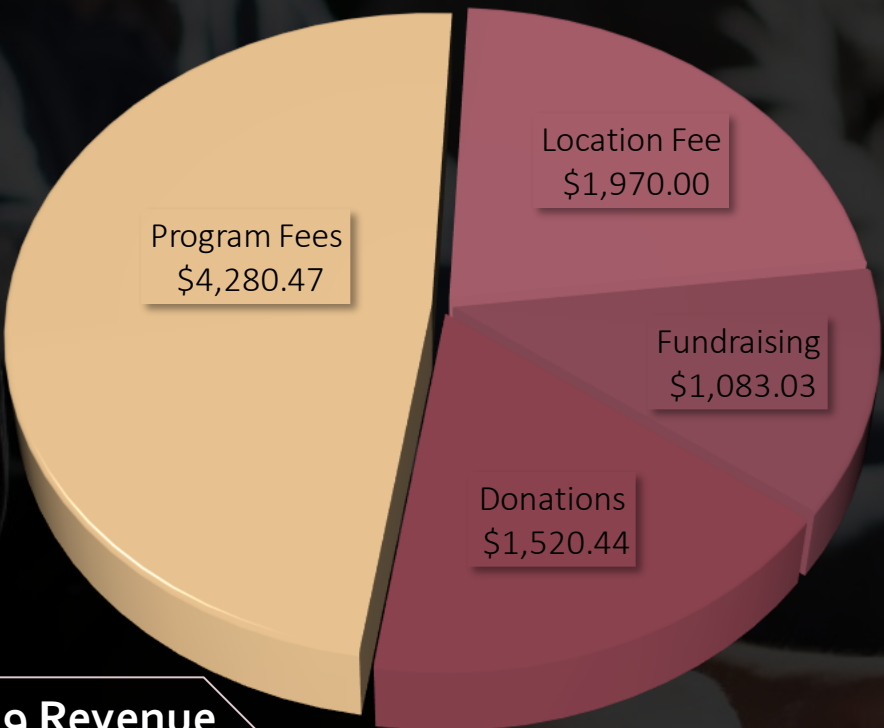
# 2019 FINANCIALS

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**2019 Expenses**  
\$5,997.98



**2019 Revenue**  
\$8,853.94



FOR WHICH ONE OF YOU, WHEN HE WANTS TO BUILD A TOWER,  
DOES NOT FIRST SIT DOWN AND CALCULATE THE COST TO SEE IF  
HE HAS ENOUGH TO COMPLETE IT?  
LUKE 14:28



# GROWTH 2016-2019

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## Classes Advertised

2016  
8

2017  
29

2018  
34  
(20 classes held)

2019  
66  
(59 classes held)

## Student Registrations

2016  
106

2017  
217

2018  
206

2019  
422

## NUMBER OF TEACHERS

2016 → 7

2017 → 16

2018 → 12

2019 → 21

LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART AND WITH ALL YOUR SOUL  
AND WITH ALL YOUR STRENGTH. THESE COMMANDMENTS THAT I GIVE YOU TODAY  
ARE TO BE ON YOUR HEARTS. IMPRESS THEM ON YOUR CHILDREN.  
DEUTERONOMY 6:5-7A



# HIGHLIGHTS 2019

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601 Transactions Processed

15 Scholarships Awarded

Homeschool Resource Fair – March 23

Multidisciplinary Workshop – April 25

Homeschool Field Day – May 14

Good Deeds Donation Drive – June 12

Cape Homeschool Convention – June 21-22

Summer Intensive – July 22-26

*"We were so grateful for the PLANT scholarship! Having a family of 5 kids, it allowed our kids to try out some classes that we wouldn't have normally been able to. The classes were unique and my kids enjoyed learning and hanging out with other kids. Thanks!" – Sarah Barker*







## Fine Art - Deborah Klose (Fall 2019) ★★★★★

Parent: My daughter had no previous art training and was able to draw a beautiful flower with coloring that looks as though an adult did it. Deborah was a great teacher and very patient and kind!

Student: "I really liked my art class. I liked that my teacher used easy steps for me to learn how to draw."







# SHARED SUCCESS

PLANT, INC. partners with local churches, independent educators, like-minded groups and other resources to create an academic network team dedicated to the parent-led academic model. These partners provide classrooms, programs, events and special outings for students, giving their time and resources while influencing the next generation.

*A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO THE CHURCHES WHO PARTNER WITH PLANT, INC.*

RVNaz

Rio Vista Church of the Nazarene





# SUPPORT



You are compelled through taxation to support a godless public-school system with hundreds of dollars each year. Will you voluntarily support an alternative, God-honoring effort with a similar amount?

Send your tax-deductible donation to: PLANT, Inc.  
7932 Independence Dr. NW, Albuquerque, NM 87120

Make a donation on-line with credit card or pay pal  
or set up recurring monthly donations:  
<http://www.parentlednetwork.org/support.html>

Make Parent Led Academic Network Team, Inc. your Amazon  
Smile charity and remember to shop with Amazon Smile

Link your Smith's Reward cards to Parent Led  
Academic Network Team, Inc. (organization #PGI33)  
to donate 0.5% of purchases

## Math Games – Beverly Williams (Fall 2019) ★★★★★

Parent: Highly recommend this class to everyone. Beverley is amazing with every one. My daughter with down syndrome mastered her counting by twos and fives.

Student: \*\*\* loves her math class! She looks forward to math every week.









### Nature Study - Dr. Jenny Lloyd Strovas (Fall 2019) ★★★★★

Parent: Dr. Jenny is very knowledgeable about nature and our area in particular. All of my kids have learned many interesting things! When we hike as a family, they are able to identify plants, bugs, etc. and give details about each of them. We as parents are very grateful for all they have learned.

Student: We learned a lot about bees and how they make honey. I enjoyed dissecting a flower. It was a fun class!

## THANK YOU

For more parent testimonials visit:  
[www.parentlednetwork.org/parent-testimonials.html](http://www.parentlednetwork.org/parent-testimonials.html)

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### Introduction to the Sewing Machine Edie Downs (Fall 2019) ★★★★★

Parent: My daughter looked forward to this class each week and was eager to show me what she had accomplished. Mrs. Downs makes the sewing projects simple enough that students experience success, which is very encouraging. Your child should take this class!

Student: It's great! It's fun and I learned a lot.

