



2024 Endowment Highlights

At The Museum of Flight, our mission is to “unleash the innovation, passion and human story of flight to unlock joy and the amazing potential in everyone” — a goal that cannot be achieved without your endowed support. As lasting legacies, your gifts to the Museum’s endowment provide perpetual resources for collections, restoration, research, education programs, facilities, operations, students, and our staff and volunteers who make everything happen. Philanthropic investments for the endowment serve as the foundation upon which we serve our community.

While we can measure the endowment’s annual fiscal performance, the impact your gifts have made in perpetuity is immeasurable and limitless.

In fiscal year 2024, \$8.6 million was contributed to the endowment and \$1.68 million was distributed to empower the work of the Museum. Two new named endowments were established by generous donors in 2024, both of which were matched through a commitment by a private foundation. As of December 31, 2024, the value of the Museum’s endowment was \$73,465,158, and there was a total of 17 named endowments accounting for 84%

of the total endowment value.

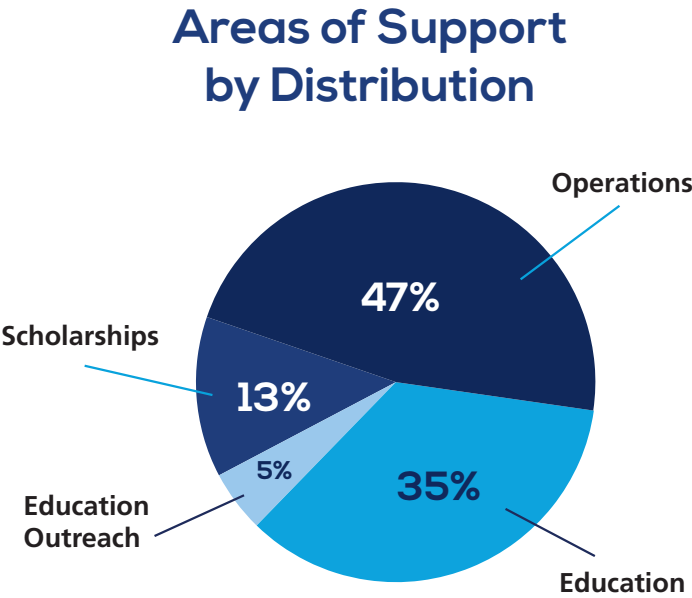
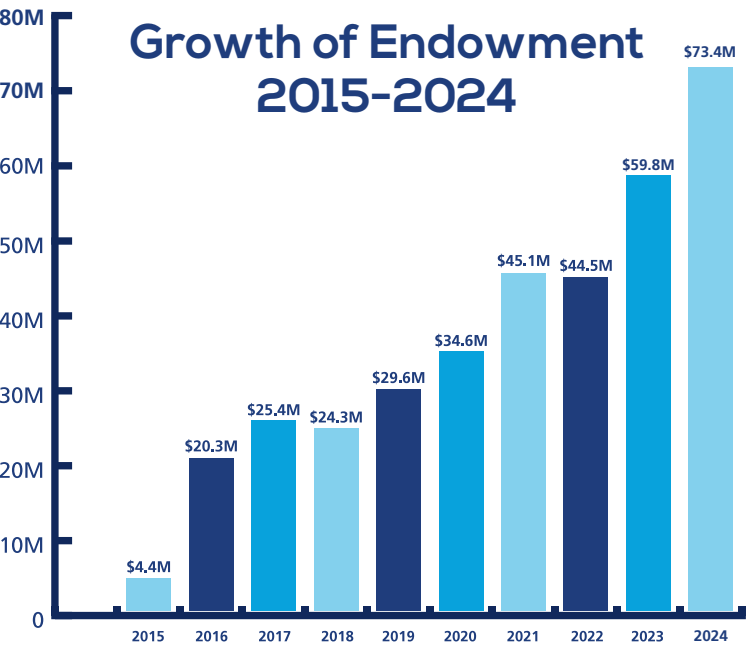
In 2024, The Museum of Flight’s endowment enjoyed a return of 11.7% net of distributions. Since 2018, the endowment has seen an 8.07% return which exceeded the Museum’s blended benchmark as set by our Board of Trustees’ Endowment and Investment Committee. Over that time period, \$7.1 million was distributed. The establishment of new named endowments remains a priority of Limitless, the Museum’s Campaign to Fuel the Future, and will be vital to the long-term sustainability of the institution.

TOTAL ENDOWMENT

\$73,465,158

TOTAL DISTRIBUTION AMOUNT

\$1,679,426



YEAR-BY-YEAR COMPARISON	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Market Value	\$24,399,760	\$29,658,450	\$34,659,317	\$45,168,955	\$44,517,132	\$59,801,228	\$73,465,158
Investment Return	-5%	8%	17%	13%	-16%	14%	11%
Amount Distributed	\$483,785	\$724,358	\$781,693	\$1,013,010	\$1,236,426	\$1,235,696	\$1,679,426
Number of Endowments	4	6	8	10	12	15	17