This has been an incredible moment for science, and The Franklin Institute aims to encourage more young people to pursue science and technology fields. Thank you for joining us in delivering our mission to inspire and educate.

2021 YEAR IN REVIEW

We welcomed over 248,000 VISITORS into our science center for safe and fun learning!

110,000 more than in 2020!

OUR IMPACT

(The Franklin Institute) was pretty much my favorite place in the world to go when I was a kid, and no doubt a huge reason why I am a physician now.

—Lauren

2 SEASONAL EVENTS!

THE FRANKLIN INSTITUTE Awards

More than 5,000 views of the live broadcast and recording, where the inaugural NextGen Award honored Dr. Kizzmekia Corbett for outstanding work in vaccine development.

28,500 VISITORS!

WE CELEBRATED, UPLIFTED, AND LEARNED FROM ONE ANOTHER

Breaking World Records!

To celebrate the opening of the Crayola exhibit, local artist Dyymond Whipper-Young broke the World record with a 6,450 square foot drawing.

CELEBRATION OF AFRICAN AMERICANS IN SCIENCE

4 DAILY LIVE SCIENCE SHOWS

650 EXPLODING HYDROGEN BALLOONS!

FAMILY PRIDE DAY

15,000 VISITORS!

IDEA WORKS

An Exelon Company

FRANKLIN FRIGHT!

202,000 more than in 2020!

EYE AND HEART DISSECTIONS

500

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Your generosity supported The Franklin Institute’s mission and vision that seek to make STEM learning more equitable and accessible for underrepresented Philadelphia-area youth.

By prioritizing our FREE and ACCESSIBLE programs, we aim to inspire future generations of racially diverse professionals in science, technology, engineering, and math.

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16,317 discounted visits provided to underserved families!

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