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Cross Cutting Principles

Filoli's strategic plan builds on a century of tradition and focuses on engagement of all kinds.

Diversity, Equity, Accessibility, and Inclusion:
Filoli is open to all and works tirelessly to create a place that welcomes and respects everyone

Sustainability:

Filoli integrates sustainable environmental, operational and financial practices to preserve the estate for generations to come.

Organizational Excellence:

Filoli achieves the highest standards and benchmarks in its industries and lead the nation with new programs, talent and partnerships.







People & Culture

- Expand training and professional development opportunities for staff, board and volunteers.
- Assess and revise Filoli's full compensation and benefits package to attract and retain top talent at all levels of the organization.
- Increase diversity among staff, board and volunteers to reflect our community through continuous assessment of recruitment strategies and efforts.
- Build an intentionally inclusive culture through collaborative onboarding, training, and increased cultural competency.



People & Culture

- Align the volunteer program's roles, responsibilities and size with Filoli's strategic objectives.
- Increase staff and capacity responsibly to support growth in infrastructure and programming.
- Develop partnerships with universities, craftspeople, technical professionals and others to enhance staff resources.





Fundraising & Financial Strength

- Maximize earned revenue by increasing attendance, participation and capacity for future growth by expanding the portfolio of offerings including rental events, public programs and experience-based retail sales.
- Build a sustainable operating and capital financial platform upon which to grow Filoli for future generations.
- Grow contributed revenue in both real dollars
 and as a percentage of total revenue.
- Create a professional, comprehensive development program.



Fundraising & Financial Strength

- Create a culture of philanthropy at all levels of the organization.
- Develop board and staff skill, confidence and participation in donor cultivation and stewardship.
- Invest in expanded fundraising staff, capacity and skill.
- Research need, scope and potential structure
 of major fundraising initiatives.





Infrastructure Investments

- Develop a master plan for the estate's future development and space usage.
- Identify resources for and invest in rigorously maintaining the historic property to the highest standards.
- Assess and improve circulation, accessibility
 and amenities throughout the outdoor and
 indoor public spaces to maximize customer
 comfort and potential attendance.



Infrastructure Investments

- Upgrade technology throughout the organization, both administrative and customer-facing.
- Research and identify environmentally sustainable alternatives to current practices especially in retail, horticulture, and maintenance.





Visibility & Branding

- Develop and fund a marketing and public relations plan that aligns with and supports this strategic plan.
- Develop and implement consistent brand standards and messaging.
- Create new marketing initiatives and partnerships to reach, welcome, and include the perspective of more diverse and international audiences.



Visibility & Branding

- Increase visibility and engagement with museum object collections and plant collections.
- Participate in programs that allow Filoli to engage on a national and international professional stage.





Learning & Engagement

- Create learning experiences that engage visitors more deeply in horticultural excellence, preservation practices, and plant and museum object collections.
- Develop year-round, visitor-centered programming that activates new spaces, attracts diverse audiences, and encourages repeat visitors.
- Develop a customer service plan to activate
 staff, board and volunteers as ambassadors to
 the public.
- Develop industry-leading exhibitions and learning experiences that redefine how historic properties and public gardens engage visitors.



Learning & Engagement

- Identify and tell more diverse stories about Filoli, its place in California history, and its current relevance through learning experiences.
- Develop models and partnerships to co-create learning experiences that introduce new perspectives, and provide greater access to Filoli by diverse audiences.
- Develop specific learning experiences focused for both youth and adults designed to attract a broad audience and reach underrepresented communities.
- Share more stories and ensure consistent storytelling throughout all engagement and learning experiences.

