The mission of the Beltrami County Historical Society is to provide connections to county history through public archives, collections, interpretive exhibits, and programs that educate, invite dialogue, and inspire self-reflection.

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Financial Summary

2015 Income
$62,706

- Grants: $16,334
- Contributions: $15,290
- Memberships: $13,105
- Admission, Research, & Program Fees: $8,129
- Fundraising: $4,480
- Gift Shop: $3,352
- Investment: $2,016

2015 Expenses
$85,558

- Programs, Exhibits, & Collections: $50,806
- Facility: $19,246
- Operations: $15,506

In 2015, BCHS paid for more than $20,000 of expenses with grant revenue awarded and recognized in 2014.
8%

*BCHS membership* continues to rise and increased by 8% in 2015.

Membership is up nearly 30% over the past two years.

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### Grants Received

- **Minnesota Historical Society** = $8,424
  
  To acquire *Bemidji Pioneer* on microfilm (1962-1985)

- **MDU Resources Foundation** = $1,000
  
  *Trails Through Time* exhibit updates

- **United Way Bemidji** = $2,500
  
  Programs and operations ($1,250 also dispersed in 2016)

- **Beltrami County Development Grant** = $3,160
  
  Tourism brochures

- **Northwest Minnesota Women’s Fund** = $1,500
  
  Women’s History Month Programs in 2016

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### 2015 Highlights

**2015/2016 Board of Directors**

- Sharon Geisen (President)
- Steve Caron (Vice President)
- Linda L. Lemmer (Secretary)
- Andy Mack (Treasurer)
- Jim Aakhus
- Sue Bruns
- Leo Soukup
- Charlene Sturk

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**Thanks!**

BCHS thanks all volunteers, members, donors, and other supporters who gave their dedication, time, talents, historical items, and financial support to help BCHS meet its mission and create new memories and stories in 2015.

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**Exhibits:**

- *Trails Through Time*
- *Good Sports of the North*

**Events & Programs:**

- National Train Day
- The Night We Light Bonfire
- The History Mystery