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The summaries below reflect our financial position in accordance with FBBG's annual audits.

Years Ended December 31, 2023 and 2024

	2024 Actual	2023 Actual
Operating Income	\$783,608	\$763,287
Operating Expenses	\$544,493	\$468,884
Net Income (Deficit) from Operations	\$239,115	\$294,403
FBBG Garden Fund Income	\$41,476	\$40,277
FBBG Garden Fund Expense	\$38,631	\$68,407
Restricted Garden Fund Net Change*	\$2,845	-\$28,130
Total Change in Net Assets	\$241,960	\$266,273

***FBBG Garden fund balance at the end of 2024 was \$120,066.**

In 2014, FBBG changed accounting methods from cash basis to accrual basis. The change is a requirement of U.S. GAAP, required by the State of WI Dept. of Financial Institutions.



Highlights of achievements

- **Funded free Boerner days May-October** and will do again in 2025.
- **Funded new building sign;** installed in early 2025.
- **Began offering food service for visitors** through facilitation of food trucks for year-round FBBG special events.
- **Taught 6,400+ preK12 children in nature; 14 school districts; 200 classes/47 schools;** majority of programs FBBG driven philanthropic funding.
- **Hosted 130 community engagement classes/events...**
2 craft fairs, numerous adult/family classes...total attendance of 12,000+!



Keeping students engaged with the different activities was great and needed.

3 – Congress Elementary

Each session builds nicely on previous ones.

– US Grant

The program is a great balance between indoor and outdoor learning!

– Cooper School

- **Hosted our 10th consecutive** Member Appreciation picnic.
- **Generated 863 community volunteers/2,433 hours for garden support.** Over 30,000 hours donated since FBBG began volunteer program in 2010! (including community and corporate teams... Baird, Kohl's, Leo Club (Whitnall High School students), US Bank, UW Credit Union.
- **Completed 15th consecutive year on budget.**
- **Proudly continued funding Horticulturist education initiatives and BBG Intern program** facilitated by FBBG through the Ladish Company Foundation.
- **Featured on WISN 12 promoting FBBG Winterfest family event.**



We are thankful for FBBG grants that enable us to participate; this program compliments our curriculum beautifully.

– Milwaukee Montessori

We love the Spanish translations and willingness to be flexible for our special needs students.

– Vieau School

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