

# Science Play-space Initiative Spi

Executive Director / CEO

EIN 454592640

OH · NTEE B90

FY ending 2024-12-31

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This analysis benchmarks the total compensation of **Stephanie Calondis, Executive Director / CEO** (\$46,800) against **every comparable organization** that fit the selection criteria — **106** in total — drawn systematically from IRS Form 990 filings, not a hand-picked subset.

Compensation sits at approximately the **65<sup>th</sup>** percentile of comparable organizations within the typical range

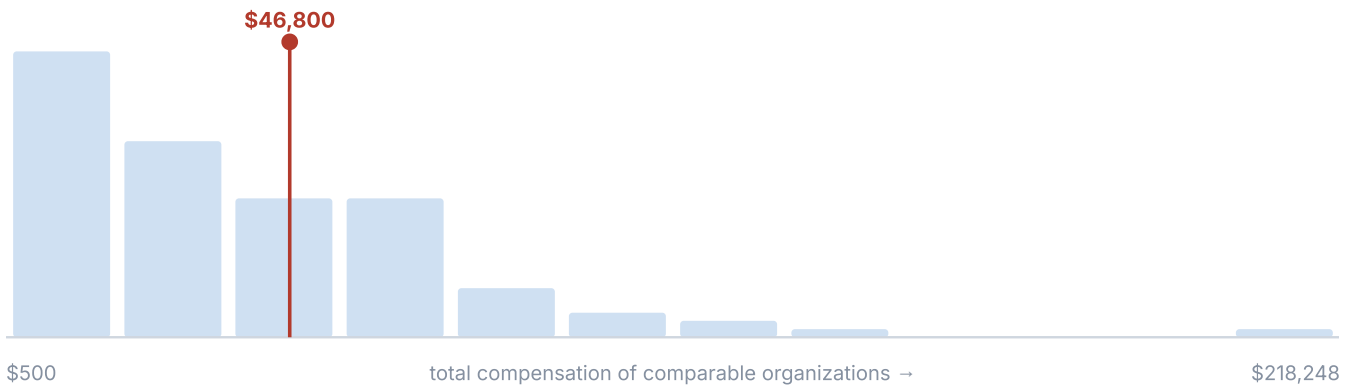
**Benchmarked executive:** Stephanie Calondis — reported title "EXECUTIVE DI", a **direct title match** to the Executive Director / CEO role.

## How comparable organizations were selected

SECTOR	Organizations sharing the subject's NTEE classification (B90).
BUDGET	Total revenue between \$87,962 and \$196,930 — 0.67x to 1.50x the subject's \$131,287 (the band tightens as size grows).
GEOGRAPHY	Same NTEE sector (B90), nationwide + budget 0.67–1.5x revenue.

**106** organizations qualified on sector, size, and geography → **106** within the band form the benchmarked peer set.

## Distribution of comparable compensation



\$6,338	\$14,287	\$31,019	\$57,414	\$74,558	\$46,800
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## ● Comparable organizations

Each figure is Form 990 Part VII columns D + F (reportable pay plus other compensation and benefits; column F may include amounts from related organizations), normalized to OH cost of living (BEA RPP, 2023) and to its filing year (CPI-U); the reported amount is on each linked 990.

ORGANIZATION	STATE	REVENUE	MATCHED TITLE	COMP (REPORTED)	COMP (ADJUSTED)	FY
<a href="#">Pathway Community Foundation Corporation</a>	NC	\$131,411	President And Director	\$45,000	<b>\$43,900</b>	2024
<a href="#">Strategem Learning</a>	CA	\$131,865	President/exec. Dir.	\$20,769	<b>\$17,432</b>	2023
<a href="#">Pivotal Point Enterprises Inc</a>	FL	\$131,964	Executive Director	\$20,775	<b>\$18,427</b>	2024
<a href="#">Washington Home Builders Foundation</a>	WA	\$128,271	Executive Vice President	\$28,993	<b>\$24,508</b>	2024
<a href="#">Stamford Polish Saturday School Inc</a>	CT	\$134,652	Director Of Spss	\$9,781	<b>\$8,659</b>	2024
<a href="#">Montezuma Schools Inc</a>	AZ	\$134,683	Manager	\$21,000	<b>\$19,631</b>	2023
<a href="#">Big Family Of Michigan Inc</a>	MI	\$127,352	President	\$2,458	<b>\$2,334</b>	2025
<a href="#">Germination Project</a>	PA	\$135,253	Executive Di	\$96,000	<b>\$93,058</b>	2023
<a href="#">Taylor Belle Foundation Inc</a>	FL	\$124,183	Director	\$9,395	<b>\$8,333</b>	2024
<a href="#">Mal 46</a>	CA	\$123,400	President	\$70,000	<b>\$57,069</b>	2024
<a href="#">The Gardiner Foundation</a>	NY	\$139,362	President	\$4,000	<b>\$3,413</b>	2024
<a href="#">Rural Alliance</a>	WA	\$139,800	President	\$82,202	<b>\$69,486</b>	2024
<a href="#">Life Bridge Inc</a>	NH	\$121,709	Executive Director	\$65,580	<b>\$58,861</b>	2023
<a href="#">Plantpure Communities Inc</a>	NC	\$141,520	President	\$40,000	<b>\$39,022</b>	2024
<a href="#">The Audacia Foundation Inc</a>	NY	\$141,693	President An	\$248,472	<b>\$218,248</b>	2023
<a href="#">Tri It For Life</a>	NC	\$119,808	Executive Director	\$23,450	<b>\$22,877</b>	2024
<a href="#">Healing Vine Harbor Inc</a>	NC	\$119,646	Executive Director	\$53,192	<b>\$53,424</b>	2023
<a href="#">Musicians For Education Inc</a>	CA	\$143,416	President/sec	\$48,555	<b>\$39,586</b>	2024

ORGANIZATION	STATE	REVENUE	MATCHED TITLE	COMP (REPORTED)	COMP (ADJUSTED)	FY
<a href="#">Mine Hill Educational Foundation</a>	NJ	\$143,522	President	\$4,775	<b>\$3,922</b>	2025
<a href="#">Monterey County Office Of Education</a>	CA	\$146,573	Cfo	\$60,897	<b>\$51,115</b>	2023
<a href="#">The Blink Foundation Inc</a>	FL	\$147,192	President	\$63,000	<b>\$57,529</b>	2023
<a href="#">American Pillars Education Fd</a>	TN	\$114,610	Vice President	\$69,093	<b>\$68,570</b>	2024
<a href="#">The Dental Health Theatre Inc</a>	MO	\$148,037	Co-executive Director	\$42,750	<b>\$44,013</b>	2023
<a href="#">The Machon Inc</a>	MD	\$148,077	Director	\$22,566	<b>\$19,919</b>	2024
<a href="#">New Leaf Collaborative</a>	CA	\$148,557	Executive Director	\$12,300	<b>\$10,324</b>	2023

**Comp (reported)** is the figure on each organization's Form 990 (columns D + F); **Comp (adjusted)** normalizes it to OH cost of living and 2024 dollars. Click any organization to verify the figure on ProPublica.

## ● Methodology

Comparable organizations were drawn from electronically filed IRS Form 990 returns and matched on sector (NTEE code), budget (a size-adaptive revenue band that tightens as the organization grows), and geography (same-state first, broadening only when too few peers qualify); every organization within the band forms the peer set. To compare fairly across regions and years, peer compensation is normalized to OH cost of living (BEA Regional Price Parities, 2023) and to the subject's filing year (CPI-U). The figure benchmarked is Form 990 Part VII, Section A, columns D + F — reportable pay plus other compensation, benefits, and deferred amounts (column F may include amounts from related organizations) — with the chief executive matched by role. Related-organization amounts (column E) and institutional trustees are excluded. Full methodology: [peerbasis.org/methodology](https://peerbasis.org/methodology).

## ● Sample, role match & sensitivity

PEER COUNT	<b>106</b> organizations. Compensation range \$500–\$218,248; filing years 2023–2025.
SIZE BASIS	Matched on total revenue (\$131,287); for reference, expenses \$174,537 and assets \$586,558.
ROLE MATCH	Stephanie Calondis, reported title <i>"EXECUTIVE DI"</i> , benchmarked as Executive Director / CEO. The title maps directly to this role.
RELATED-ORG PAY	11 peers report related-organization compensation (column E), which the D + F benchmark does not fully capture; review where material.
OUTLIERS	2 peers fall outside 1.5× the interquartile range — consider whether any reflect one-time payments (severance, deferred-comp payouts).

Sensitivity — the subject's percentile under alternative compensation definitions:

BASIS	SUBJECT PERCENTILE
Total compensation (D + F), cost-of-living + inflation adjusted — the PeerBasis default	65 <sup>th</sup>
Total compensation (D + F), as reported (no adjustments)	62 <sup>nd</sup>
Reportable pay only (column D), adjusted	67 <sup>th</sup>
All sources (D + E + F), adjusted	56 <sup>th</sup>

If the percentile moves materially across these definitions, the result is sensitive to methodology choices, and the board should weigh which basis best fits its facts.

### ● Rebuttable presumption of reasonableness · 26 CFR 53.4958-6

Compensation paid by a tax-exempt organization is presumed reasonable — shifting the burden to the IRS — when three requirements are met. This report supplies the comparability data for the second. The board should record the following in its minutes *concurrently* with its decision:

#### Draft board minutes – executive compensation

1. The compensation of the Executive Director / CEO (Stephanie Calondis) was approved in advance by [the Board / Compensation Committee], composed of members with no conflict of interest with respect to the arrangement.
2. Prior to its determination, the authorized body obtained and relied upon appropriate comparability data, namely the PeerBasis Compensation Comparability Determination dated June 9, 2026, comparing compensation against 106 similarly situated organizations (Same NTEE sector (B90), nationwide + budget 0.67–1.5× revenue).
3. The authorized body determined that total compensation of \$46,800 is reasonable (approximately the 65<sup>th</sup> percentile of comparable organizations) and documented the basis for this determination concurrently, on [date], by a vote of [\_\_ for / \_\_ against].

Sources: IRS Form 990 e-file data (apps.irs.gov); IRS Business Master File (NTEE classification). Every figure traces to an original public filing — click any organization above to verify it on ProPublica. PeerBasis is a service of Prismind Analytics; its [methodology is published](#), was commissioned for independent adversarial review, and discloses its own limitations. This report is comparability data to support a board's good-faith determination under IRC 4958; it is not legal or tax advice. Generated by PeerBasis on June 9, 2026.