



THE CHILDREN'S
LIFESAVING
FOUNDATION

IMPACT REPORT

A year of healing and mobilizing resources....



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LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Francesca McCaffery

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Dear CLF Friends:



I know this has been a very unsettling year for so many of us, one filled with fear, trepidation, and great anxiety...But...I have also seen a great upsurge of hope on the horizon. I have seen members of our community pulling together in ways we have not witnessed in decades. I am personally finding incredible strength in it, and it has consistently informed CLF's work this year.

After the tragic LA Fires in January, CLF created a Fire Emergency Family Fund and began immediately collecting and distributing in-kind donations, emergency packs, and gift cards for fire-affected families and our community partners. The ICE raids have left families devastated and paralyzed with fear. Our Instagram page has been a good source of information and resources, and CLF is here for the families we serve, standing in solidarity with them.

Our programs, miraculously, have been going strong, which you will read about here. We cannot thank you all for your help, guidance, and support through it all.

All my love & best wishes,

Francesca McCaffery

Executive Director



IMPACT SNAPSHOT

850

Youth Served at our
Camp for All Program

\$126,843+

Of volunteer hours donated
inkind goods distributed

2,400+

Total Youth and Parents
served through programs and
distributions

1,300+

Families positively impacted
by our services

212

Corporate Volunteers

160

Individual
Volunteers

25

CITs & STUDENT
AMBASSADORS



OUR PROGRAMS & PROJECTS

All of Our Programs are conducted FREE of Charge to all participants and community partners

Wilderness Camp for All

Campers enjoy this free outdoor and animal education camp, combining classic camp activities with innovative, impactful new ones. Over 400 youth from Title 1 Schools were served through this program. Campers attended from community partners LA's BEST & North Valley Caring Services

CLF Coastal Eco-Mariners Surf Camp

A great new marine educational field trip component at Malibu Lagoon was added this year with our great friends from RCDSMM! This year over 450 Youth were served and a total of 10 partner agencies were served.

Project Angel Wings Holiday Program

The CLF's Project Angel Wings Program has sponsored Holiday Parties for over 15,000 youth coming from historically underserved neighborhoods in LA County. They have attended our wonderful Holiday Events, and participated in our amazing gift distributions. Promote top-performing content to reach a wider audience. Over 100 youth attended our in-person Holiday Event. Over 1,000 youth received brand new toys/gifts.

Care Through College Program

CLF Leadership Scholarships support students with essential expenses such as books, course fees, rent, meals, and clothing. The program also provides one-on-one support with college essays and applications, along with finance workshops, special events, and a safe space for discussion at the Capital One Café in Santa Monica. Many students in our Care Through College Program are already in college or preparing to attend. To date, CLF has awarded over 125 college scholarships, and counting!



RESPONDING TO THE CRISIS: CLF EMERGENCY FIRE FUND

What happened in the Palisades, Eaton, Hurst, Kenneth fires was absolutely tragic. Equally tragic was the news of the fires in Altadena and Sylmar, where children who came to our CLF Coastal Eco-Mariners surf camps lived, and who were already houseless, living in motels they were formerly calling home, and from which they now had to evacuate. The fire in Sylmar specifically has affected over 120 children who have attended our surf camps each summer.

The Children's Lifesaving Foundation immediately started the CLF Fire Emergency Family Fund in January, to create Emergency Packs for these already houseless families, who have been evacuated from the motels (again, which they were calling home) in the vicinity of the Hurst and Eaton Fires.

Thank you SO much to our amazing community partners The Open Hearts Foundation, who put us in touch with the World Mission Society's incredible volunteer team-who created and donated over 450 toiletries and hygiene boxes to CLF, as well as the wonderful OSEA Malibu, L'Oreal Paris, Haley Cutter & the CUT Fire Fund, and so many of YOU-great friends-as well as our amazing pals at the Capital One Cafe in Santa Monica-who generously donated use of their Lifestyle Room to us to pack, sort and distribute the goods! WE made up special family packs, skincare and toiletries bags donated from our great partners and friends, purchased gift cards, and had new toys donated.

We conducted drop-offs at Union Rescue Mission's HOPE GARDENS transitional Housing in Sylmar, the Salvation Army, and the People's Concern. The CLF also partnered with North Valley Caring Services, cherished community partners, to help identify these homeless families previously mentioned, and we did a special drop-off and gift card distribution at a motel complex.

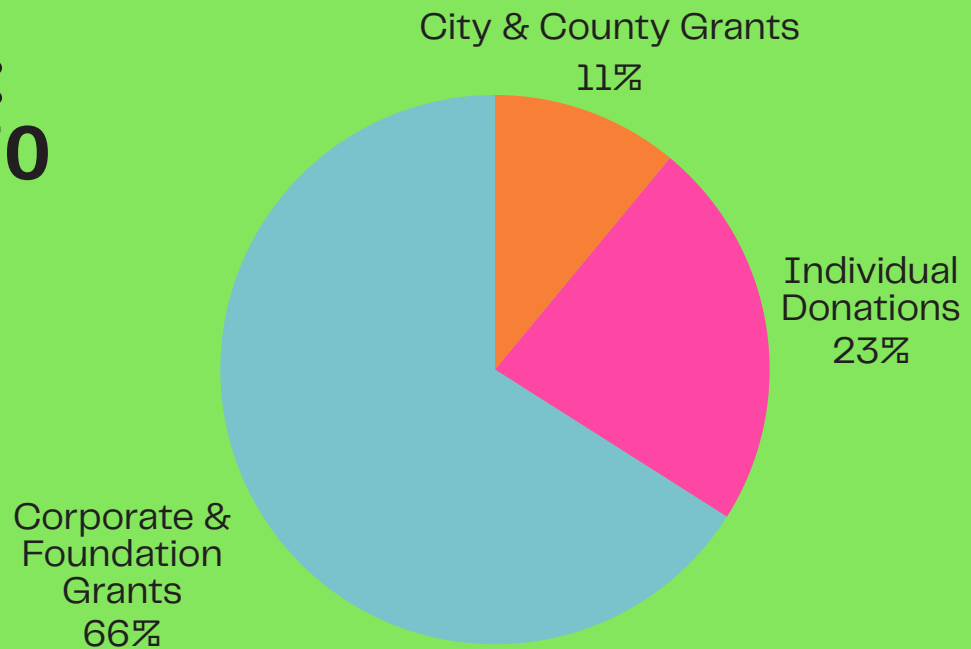
We distributed over \$28,000 in gift cards for needed food and supplies.

Thank you to everyone who donated to this initiative! We are so grateful to you...

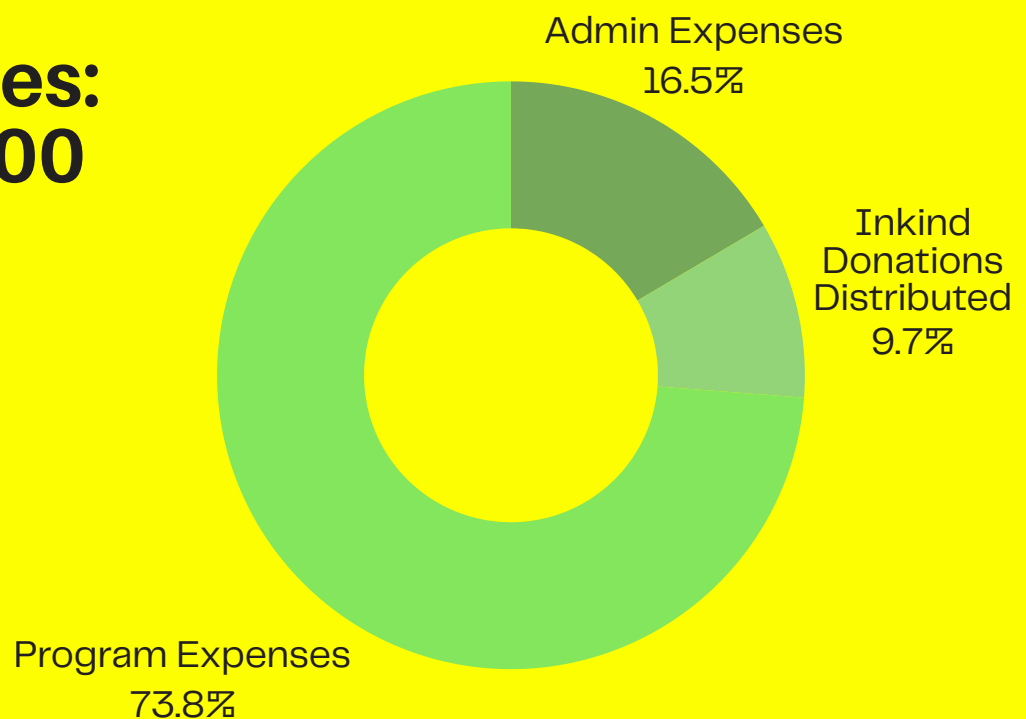


FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Income:
\$574,570



Expenses:
\$550,000



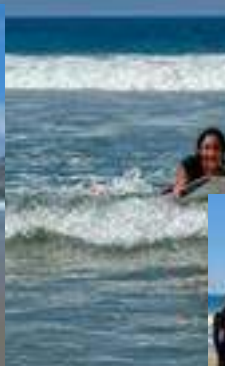
WILDNESS CAMP FOR ALL BEST MOMENTS

Outdoor Education, Live Animal Workshops & Interaction, Wildlife Workshops, Hiking with a Wilderness Master, Fun Arts and Leadership Games, writing workshops with award-winning author Autumn Chiklis, and so much more. See below for a beautiful collage of our 2025 season! Thank you so much to CreateNow Arts, Pencil 2 Planet, our great staff & CITs, as well as the Carrie Estelle Doheny Fdn, James Joseph Ford Fdn, Murray Foundation, and the Oder Family Foundation.



COASTAL ECO-MARINERS SURF CAMP PROGRAM BEST MOMENTS

Since 1993, CLF has introduced over 10,000 youth from underserved L.A. neighborhoods to surfing! Great local surf therapists & instructors and ur staff guide youth in surfing and boogie-boarding-and a GREAT day at the beach-including a delish pizza lunch! We now have an engaging marine educational and eco-awareness component added to this program, as well! Thank you so much to our great staff & CITs, and the Murray Foundation, Supervisor Horvath's 3rd District Office, GoodRX, the City of Malibu, the Carrie Estelle Doheny Foundation and the McHugh-O'Donovan Foundation.



PROGRAM OUTINGS & FIELD TRIPS

CLF staff and youth from our Vita Network Program, along with participants from our community partner agencies, enjoyed meaningful service days, plus special outings like the Nutcracker Ballet and fun group dinners. Our Coastal Eco-Mariners Surf Camp also expanded to include marine and wildlife educational field trips with our wonderful partners at RCDSMM at Malibu Lagoon.



A SEASON OF JOY, POWERED BY COMMUNITY

For the 2025 holiday season, Children's Lifesaving Foundation was surrounded by great generosity and made the holidays brighter through the Project Angel Wings Holiday Program for thousands of youth across L.A. County—thanks to all of YOU! Our Project Angel Wings Holiday Program brought smiles to thousands Title I school of students and families living in historically underserved neighborhoods across LA County. For many families, this support was the only gifts their child will receive this holiday...

HOLIDAY WRAP PARTY WITH SNAPCHAT!

We were invited to a joyful holiday wrap party hosted by Snapchat, who also co-sponsored our December 13th project Angel Wings Holiday event! From wrapping gifts to sharing stories, it was a powerful reminder that when communities come together, magic happens. Thank you so much to our great friends at Snapchat for creating a space filled with generosity and heart!

HOLIDAY PARTNERSHIPS, GIFT DROP-OFFS AND DONATIONS, "THE NUTCRACKER" FIELD TRIP, AND MORE!

The Holiday Season is truly one of the busiest times of year for the Children's Lifesaving Foundation, and 2025 was no exception: Starting with a great Wrap Party Event on the Snapchat campus with their employees, an amazing **Project Angel Wings Holiday Event for over 140 LA's BEST students from Title I schools on December 13th** at Malibu Elementary! The holiday festivities didn't stop there! Co-sponsored by Snapchat and the Weinstein Family, students enjoyed: Face painting, our two amazing DJs, dance contests with prizes, a fun Photo booth, special crafts, and LOTS of toys and gifts for students (Each child was gifted with a personalized bag FULL of toys and gifts!) for a very special visit from our own Santa (thank you again, dear Mark Kramer!) Check out the amazing video documenting the day on Instagram! **Fab Toy Drives were also hosted by our great friends at Agape Spiritual Center's ActionAgape Common Unity Ministry, Northwestern Mutual Insurance in Santa Monica, Girlscout Troop #3561, Swinger's Diner in West Hollywood, FTI Consulting, PJT Partners, RQ Media and Planet Salon Hollywood.**

JAKKS Pacific made a beautifully generous donation of brand-new, on-brand toys and gifts. The ever-incredible OSEA Malibu donated hundreds of beauty and skincare products for the moms and teens in our programs.

CLF was invited to join in on Homeboy Industries Holiday Carnival on December 19th— giving away over 600 toys to their wonderful families, and we also volunteered and **brought toys to at PAL's (Police Activities League) Holiday Party.**

We were also there at Midnight Mission's Santa's Village on the morning of December 21st (donating over 700 toys in honor of our dear friend Dick Dan Dyke's 100th Birthday!) CLF also gave away hundreds of new toys to new community partners at: Saving Innocence, Victor Community Support Services and the Los Angeles County African American Employees Association. We also donated special Wish List Toys Christmas Week to new families who requested them, including a dear boy named Isaiah, who is autistic, and absolutely loved the toys he received!

The day after Christmas, through our dear partners at CREATENOW Arts, we were able to invite five families in our Vita Network to join us at Los Angeles Ballet's performance of THE NUTCRACKER at the Dolby Theatre in Hollywood!

Very special thanks to the Santa Monica Place for offering us an amazing space to have our very own Santa's Workshop filled with our on busy elves, **and great thanks to awesome volunteers Suzanne Smith, Clem Billingsly, Dylan McCaffery, Mark Lederkramer, Hannah Matteson, Cathy & Annie Cygan, Tony Grey, Claudia & Mark Mendoza and Alyssa Leilani...**

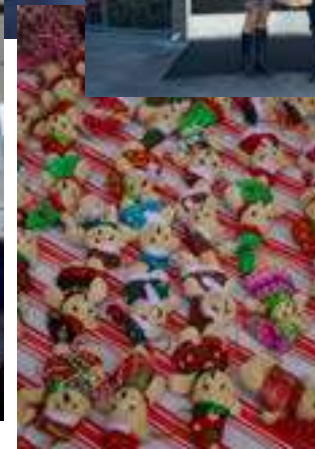




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PROJECT ANGEL WINGS: CLF'S HOLIDAY PROGRAM



COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP HIGHLIGHTS : SNAPCHAT



Thank you so very much to the amazing team at SNAP Inc (the creators of SNAPCHAT!) for being such INCREDIBLE sponsors of our Project Angel Wings Holiday Program!

CLF joined 60 Snap Team Members in December at their Westside HQs to wrap hundreds of toys and gifts for our December 14th Holiday Event, purchased over 100 extra toys for our toy drive, and were even co-sponsors of our Dec 14th event! We are truly so grateful for the sweet generosity and tremendous kindness and goodwill of everyone at SNAP INC who participated.

It truly means everything to this program, and to us!



CLF's Project Angel Wings Holiday Program's Corporate & Business Partnerships: Great Toy Drives & In-kind Donations



CommonUnity Ministries

Action Agape



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PARIS



Thank you to our wonderful friends for making our Project Angel Wings Program SHINE with incredible support of our Toy Drives and donations to purchase gifts and toys. We are SO grateful to them, and for the awesome support of their amazing employees!

Donor & Community Partnership Highlight: GoodRx and California Fire Foundation



Thank you so much to Community Partners GoodRx for sponsoring an incredible Coastal Eco-Mariners Surf Camp Beach Day alongside their employees, and for donating 250 amazing beach swag bags for our campers, thoughtfully put together by their wonderful summer interns. We are also deeply grateful to the California Fire Foundation for their generous funding, which helped bring youth affected by the recent California wildfires to our Wilderness Camp for All Program, creating meaningful opportunities for healing, connection, and outdoor adventure. We are SO very grateful.

CLF STUDENT AMBASSADORS & CAMP CITS!



→ Youth Leadership & Training Opportunities

CLF offers meaningful opportunities for high school students to grow as leaders through our CIT (Counselor-in-Training) Program — including CPR training — as well as through our Student Ambassador Program, where teens develop leadership skills while supporting CLF initiatives during the academic year. This year, CLF welcomed over 35 CITs and Student Ambassadors.

→ Student-Led Impact & Community Support

Our student leaders launched and executed their own fundraising initiatives to benefit CLF's work, including clothing drives, backpack procurement efforts, and bake sales. These youth-driven projects strengthened community support while empowering students to create real impact.

CARE THROUGH COLLEGE: CLF SCHOLARSHIPS

College Scholarships

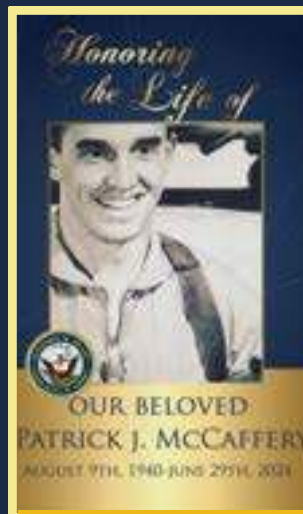
The Children's Lifesaving Foundation gives out 5 to 10 college scholarships per year, and has distributed over 125 college scholarships since our inception...Ciro & Deborah D'Angelo of Arctic Cold Caps created our newest scholarship, in honor of Patrick J. McCaffery-a beloved CLF family member, and a dear friend to so many of the families in our programs...Ellen Poyer started the David Weinstein Memorial Scholarship in 2023 in honor and memory of her beloved father, and Cathy Merriman Cygan and family started the John Cygan Memorial Scholarship in our dear friend and supporter John's memory.

Scholarship Criteria

We have scholarships, based on our Memorial Scholarships criteria, for students with varied academic interests, with a focus on students majoring in STEM-related fields, Medicine, the Arts and Humanities and Business Management & Finance.

Congrats to Valentino Carrasco!

Valentino Carrasco, who CLF has known since BIRTH (yes!) is a Shining Stars Scholarship Recipient, and graduated Cal State Long Beach University in Spring of 2025! He is planning on entering the LAPD Police Academy to train in 2026, and plans to enter the police force.



WITH GRATITUDE

The Children's Lifesaving Foundation is deeply grateful to the individuals, organizations, and community partners who make our work possible. Because of your generosity, all CLF programs remain free of charge for the agencies and transitional housing facilities we serve. We could not have done it without your generous support.

Community Partners

Boys & Girls Club of Venice • Challengers Boys & Girls Club • Covenant House • Girls Inc. • Homeboy Industries • Hope Gardens • LA's BEST • Midnight Mission • My Friend's Place • North Valley Caring Services • PAL (Police Activities League) • The People Concern • Watts/Willowbrook Boys & Girls Club • Upward Bound House • Union Rescue Mission

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One Special Angel Anonymous Donor!
 • Individual Supporters & Facebook Donors
 • A+E Networks • American Online Giving Foundation • Arctic Cold Caps • California Supply • California Fire Foundation • Carrie Estelle Doheny Foundation • Challenge 4 Charity • Ciro & Deborah D'Angelo • City of Malibu • CUT Fire Fund • Double N Laundry Inc. • Dwight Stuart Youth Fund • GoodRx • James Joseph Ford Foundation • William H. & Mattie Wattis Harris Foundation • LA County Supervisor Lindsey Horvath's 3rd District Office • Kiwanis Club of Santa Monica • Elyse Lavine & Hector Ortiz Family • Mark Lederkramer • McHugh-O'Donovan Foundation • Murray Charitable Trust • Jeffrey & Marla Michaels • Oder Family Foundation • Open Hearts Foundation • OSEA Foundation • Ellen Poyer & Family • SNAP Inc. • Venable Foundation • Walmart SparkGood • The Weinstein Family • Whole Foods Community Giving Program

Volunteers & Community Champions

Action-Agape Volunteers & Toy Drive Donors • Clem Billingsly • Cathy & Annie Cygan • CLF Camp for All CITs (Josh Gilbert, Coco Mori, Ilan Ahdout, Sherwin Hazany, Benji Mokhtar & Masa Hamada-Griffith) • CLF Student Ambassadors • Nick Kreider • Maggie Jorgenson, Jephthe Acosta & GoodRx Santa Monica Team • Jessica Begley & Northwestern Mutual Santa Monica Branch • Capital One Café Santa Monica Staff & Ambassadors • FTI Consulting Team • Lola Kate & Create Now Arts • Girl Scout Troop 3561 • Lindsey Heisser • Lincoln Avenue Capital • Tony Grey • Alyssa Leilani • Claudia & Mark Mendoza • Gavin Tesser & Paige Bruskrud at Pencil 2 Planet & Their Student Volunteers • Hannah Matteson • Claudia & Mark Mendoza • Janine McUeun Newell & Brad Newell • Jocelyn Cervantes Ocampo • RQ Agency Staff • Pali Charter High Student Ambassadors • Nathan Shenassa • SNAP Inc. Employees • Suzanne Smith ("The Angel")

In-Kind Donors

A+E Network • Agape International Spiritual Center & Action-Agape • Vera Arutyunyan • Capital One Café Santa Monica • Create Now Arts • CUT Fire Fund • 4Imprint • FTI Consulting • Girl Scout Troop 3561 • GoodRx • JAKKS Pacific • Lincoln Avenue Capital • Loeb & Loeb • L'Oréal Paris • Los Angeles Ballet • Mark Lederkramer • Malibu Times • Janine McUeun Newell • Northwestern Mutual Santa Monica Branch • Open Hearts Foundation • OSEA Skincare & Jenefer Palmer • Pali Charter High Students & Families • Pencil2Planet • PJT Partners • RQ Agency • The Shandera Family • Suzanne Smith & Family • SnapChat HQ • Starbucks Coffee • Swingers Diner • Christopher Van Buren • The Weinstein Family • White Pony Express • World Mission Society



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