

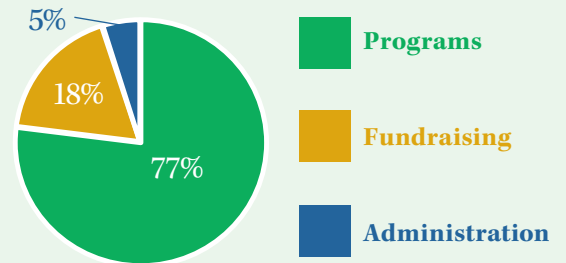
Financial Overview

Each year we hire an independent auditor to ensure our donors are confident that our financial policies and procedures meet and exceed financial requirements set forward by the IRS and the California Attorney General. We will complete our audit in early December of 2023 and anticipate receiving an unmodified opinion for the 13th consecutive year.

Where your Support Went:

BY THE NUMBERS

Projects and Programs	\$ 524,450
Foundation Administration	\$ 30,750
Foundation Fundraising	\$ 123,100



Endowment Performance (July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023)

	June 30, 2022	June 30, 2023	Annual Return*
Children's Literacy Endowment	\$ 903,035.13	\$ 980,833.04	5.12%
SLF Operation Endowment	\$ 174,969.24	\$ 351,004.26	4.79%

* Includes distributions, deposits, withdrawals, and fees. Our 990s and audited financial statements will be available on our website on February 1, 2024 at www.sacramentoliteracy.org/financial-information.



Where your Support Went:

Books in kids' hands and homes

In the 2022-2023 fiscal year, we gave out another 20,000 diverse high-quality books to 4,000 TK-2nd graders in the Promise Zone. In a recent study released by First Book, entitled, *The Impact of a Diverse Classroom Library*, the research showed "that increasing access to diverse books in the classroom environment increases the amount of time that children spend reading, and positively impacts students' reading scores."

Summer Reading Grants

In the 2022/23 fiscal year we were able to make summer reading grants to Breakthrough Sacramento, Escape Velocity, LifeSTEPS USA, Sacramento Chinese Community Services Center, and the United Way California Capital Region.

A special thank you to Tom Naygrow and Ritz Naygrow for helping us make this distribution. The following article highlights how the United Way California Capital Region (UWCCR) leveraged our grant funding.

The Sacramento Literacy Foundation's generous support empowered United Way California Capital Region (UWCCR) to combat the "summer slide" by enhancing literacy skills and addressing potential

barriers to learning. Partnering with the Community Housing Opportunities Corporation (CHOC), UWCCR engaged over 100 youths in the CHOC Summer Enrichment Program, focusing on literacy and nutrition. UWCCR's 1:1 tutoring format prioritizes social and emotional learning, emphasizing deep relationships between tutors and students.

Nearly 60 students participated in UWCCR's Literacy Tutoring program at CHOC sites, achieving an average gain of almost half a grade in reading, collectively mastering 85 standards in 118 sessions. Additional funding allowed UWCCR to pilot a program with the Sacramento Public Library (SPL), resulting in a 24% increase in reading levels. These impactful initiatives underscore the importance of fostering literacy development and preventing learning loss.



Regional and National Advocacy



All-America City Award 2022

We are proud of our partnership with the Sacramento Promise Zone and the Sacramento Redevelopment and Housing Agency. By co-leading an effort to help kids in the Promise Zone read, we brought Sacramento its first All-America City Award win! Check out our presentation at www.sacramentoliteracy.org/all-america-city-award-2022/



Sacramento Literacy Coalition

On the first Wednesday of each month, we host a Literacy Check-In. Through that, we came together to launch the Literacy Summit, and in that process, we named ourselves the Sacramento Literacy Coalition. If you would like to join, go to the Coalition page on our website at www.sacramentoliteracy.org/slc-signup/



5th Annual Sacramento County Literacy Report Card Issued

The fifth annual Literacy Report Card measuring Sacramento County Literacy Rates is out! While COVID had a huge impact on children sliding back in their reading skills the exact impact is hard to measure. Truancy has nearly doubled since COVID-19 and pre-school enrollment has dropped. To read the full report card, go online to www.sacramentoliteracy.org/literacy-map/