

# 2026 Annual Report



## Impact At A Glance

- ✦ 300+ STUDENTS SERVED IN 2025 | 2,400+ STUDENTS SERVED SINCE INCEPTION
- ✦ OVER 60% OF STUDENTS ARE RECEIVING INDIVIDUALIZED SOCIO-EMOTIONAL SUPPORT
- ✦ 84% OF OJS STUDENTS MEET A-G REQUIREMENTS, WELL ABOVE THE ~50% LBUSD AVERAGE
- ✦ \$60,000+ AWARDED IN DIRECT STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS

## POST-SECONDARY OUTCOMES

- ➔ DESPITE NATIONAL SUMMER MELT TRENDS AFFECTING 10-40% OF COLLEGE-INTENDING STUDENTS, 97% OF THE OJS CLASS OF 2025 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES ENROLLED IN COLLEGE THE FALL AFTER GRADUATION
- ➔ 98% OF THE CLASS OF 2024 STUDENTS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THEIR FIRST YEAR OF COLLEGE AND RETURNED FOR A SECOND YEAR
- ➔ 83% SIX-YEAR COLLEGE ATTAINMENT RATE

For many first-generation students in Long Beach, the dream of attending and graduating from college remains out of reach. Every student served by Operation Jump Start (OJS) comes from a low-income household in one of our community's most under-resourced neighborhoods. 100% qualify as low-income under federal guidelines, and more than 80% are considered "very low income."

At Operation Jump Start, we are working to change that narrative. Through comprehensive programming, individualized mentoring, and long-term support, we empower students to access and succeed in higher education — often achieving milestones they once believed were beyond their reach.

2025 was an extraordinary year for OJS. Thanks to the support of our community, more students are turning their college aspirations into college degrees. Together, we're making life-changing opportunities possible.

## WHY WE EXIST

### VISION

All students in our community have equal access to college success.

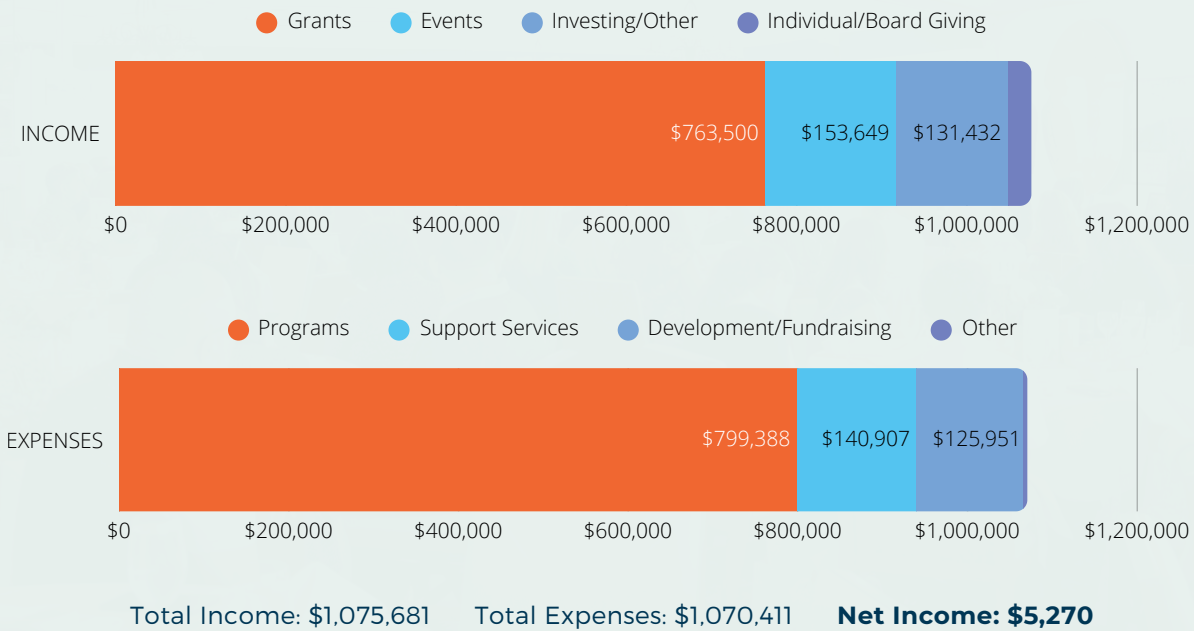
### MISSION

Operation Jump Start (OJS) helps low-resourced, high-potential, first-generation students get in, stay in, and graduate from a four-year college. We do this by providing academic support, mentoring, and exposure to a broader world.

### VALUES

- Gratitude
- Education
- Mentoring
- Transparency

# By The Numbers: Fiscal Year 2025

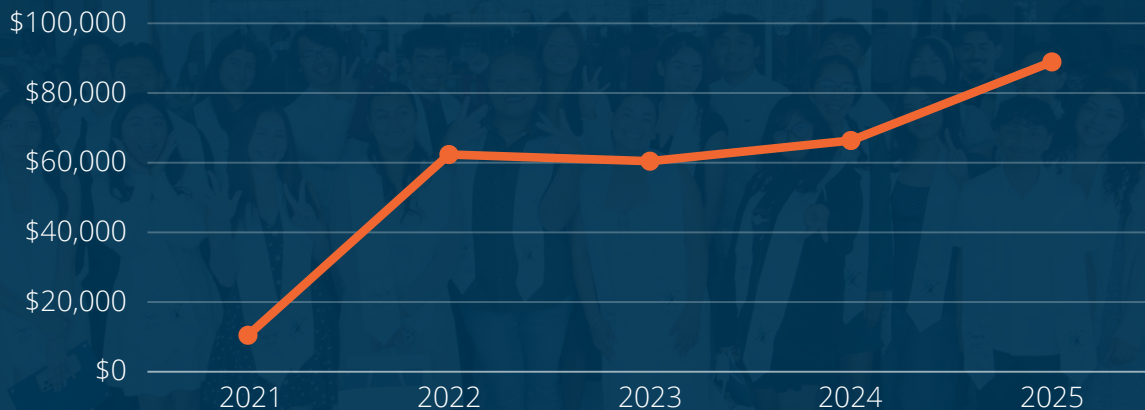


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## FUNDRAISING SPOTLIGHT: SCHOLARS' DAY CELEBRATION

OJS's annual Scholars' Day Celebration continues to increase its impact on fundraising. The event not only highlights the tremendous accomplishments of our students, but it also allows donors to see firsthand the power and effects of their contributions. **Donors like you make this impact possible.**



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