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2025 IMPACT REPORT





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Grace Place puts faith into action,  
providing pathways out of poverty  
by educating children and families.



## FROM OUR LEADERS

At Grace Place, real change begins with listening—to students, parents, and our community—and responding with purpose.

Thanks to your generosity, that listening has created lasting transformation across the Golden Gate community, one of Collier County's most diverse yet under-resourced neighborhoods. In Golden Gate, families represent more than 25 countries and speak 8 different languages or dialects. Thirty-five percent of the students in K-5 are in English Language Learning (ELL) classes, requiring significant support to complete at grade level study. Many parents work long hours in service and hospitality roles, balancing multiple jobs to support their children. The average annual household income is less than \$45,000 for a family of four.

Because of you, families who once faced limited opportunity now have access to education, stability, and hope. Your support allows Grace Place to meet families where they are—helping them turn determination into opportunity. Every program, from Bright Beginnings to Choice Academies, was created in direct response to the needs of this resilient neighborhood, and your partnership brings them to life.

Our youngest learners now step confidently into kindergarten Voluntary Prekindergarten, equipped with language skills, curiosity and a love for learning. Behind their success are parents who, while their children prepare for school, are mastering English and gaining job and entrepreneurial skills. Access to free, high-quality early childhood education was never something they expected. You make this dual journey of empowerment possible, strengthening families and building a foundation for lifelong learning and growth that extends beyond the classroom.

A few years ago, our middle school attendance was declining. What worked for younger students wasn't connecting with teens. Your support helped us listen and respond. Together, we built the Choice Academies, blending literacy, science, technology, engineering, arts, and math (STEAM), with career exploration and hands-on learning. Enrollment and daily attendance have soared, and Golden Gate middle school students are now discovering new passions and possibilities.

In high school, your gifts continue to open doors. Students choose from four learning cohorts: freshman success, career and technical pathways, college readiness, and English Language Learners (ELL) support. Each path helps them uncover their strengths and dreams. With mentors by their side, these Golden Gate students are stepping beyond their neighborhood to college campuses, career fields, and the wider world.

This year's Impact Report celebrates those journeys, each one made possible by you. Thank you for believing in the potential of every child and family. Together, we are helping students soar by creating ripples of strength and opportunity that reach throughout Collier County.



*Lära Fisher*  
Lära Fisher, CEO

*Debbie Mathews Finch*  
Debbie Mathews Finch, Chair



# FROM CURIOUS TO CONFIDENT

## Sebastian's Learning Journey

When three-year-old Sebastian entered Mrs. Sarai's Bright Beginnings classroom, his radiant smile lit up the room. But behind the smile were challenges no child should have to face.

Sebastian had trouble following classroom routines and listening to teachers. He didn't share well and sometimes played too roughly. **And he tested below average in language, cognitive skills, literacy, and mathematics.**

When he was two, his family moved from Chile to live with his grandmother, aunt, and cousin in Golden Gate. His parents, loving and supportive, had to work long hours to support the family. With Spanish and Creole spoken at home and English at school, Sebastian had to juggle three languages while he was still learning to speak.

**His mom Claudine, who attended Bright Beginnings Family Literacy classes, adjusted her work schedule to reduce the language confusion and provide more stability in the afternoons.** Grace Place recognized Sebastian's needs and acted quickly.

Mrs. Sarai soon saw improvement in Sebastian's behaviors. He became calmer and followed directions. His social skills flourished, and he became more confident, cooperative, and able to ask for help when needed.



Sebastian and his parents

Sophia Wea Photography



***"I can write my name and count"***  
Sebastian proudly states.

As his behaviors improved, so did his academics. After two years, Sebastian exceeded expectations in language, cognitive skills, literacy, and social-emotional development. His Alphabet Letter Recognition Inventory (ALRI) scores showed remarkable progress.

Sebastian's English skills have grown immensely, and he often helps his dad with pronunciation and vocabulary.

Sebastian started kindergarten this fall, joining Grace Place's after-school program. "I'm excited to see his academic development in kindergarten, especially with how much he's learned already and how fast he's absorbed the English language," says Mrs. Sarai.

From a timid child struggling with behaviors and language to an extroverted, joyful student, Sebastian's growth has been remarkable. **His journey is a testament to the impact of family literacy and the collaboration between home and school.** Teaching our adult students that they are their child's first and best teacher is a gift that ripples through the community.

#### BRIGHT BEGINNINGS SNAPSHOT

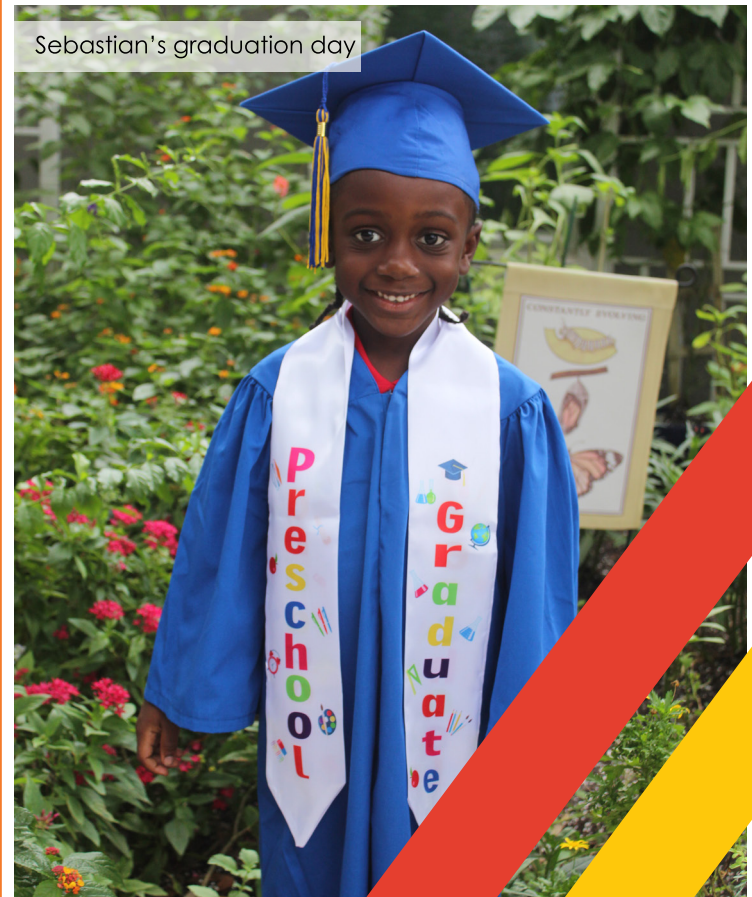
★ **93%**  
Kindergarten Readiness vs 57% for the state of Florida

★ **Nationally, 75%**  
Students who enter Kindergarten behind never catch up

★ **148**  
Students completed the program



Mrs. Sarai and Sebastian  
at the playground



Sebastian's graduation day



# FROM STRUGGLES TO OOBLECK

Kedin's story

ELEMENTARY SNAPSHOT



228

Elementary students completed the year



When you ask nine-year-old Kedin what he likes most about coming to Grace Place, his face lights up. *"Playing outside, practicing math, and even reading,"* he says with a grin.

**But he wasn't all smiles when he started school a year ago. His family had recently moved from Honduras, and the transition was a struggle for everyone. At the start of third grade, Kedin was struggling in both English and math.**

Our elementary after-school program, known as the Academy of Leaders, gives students like Kedin the extra academic and personal support they need to thrive. Daily homework help, targeted enrichment activities and personal attention from amazing teachers and volunteers leads to success!

By the end of the school year, thanks to hard work and regular attendance, Kedin caught up. **Now reading at grade level, he is four times more likely to graduate from high school on time.**

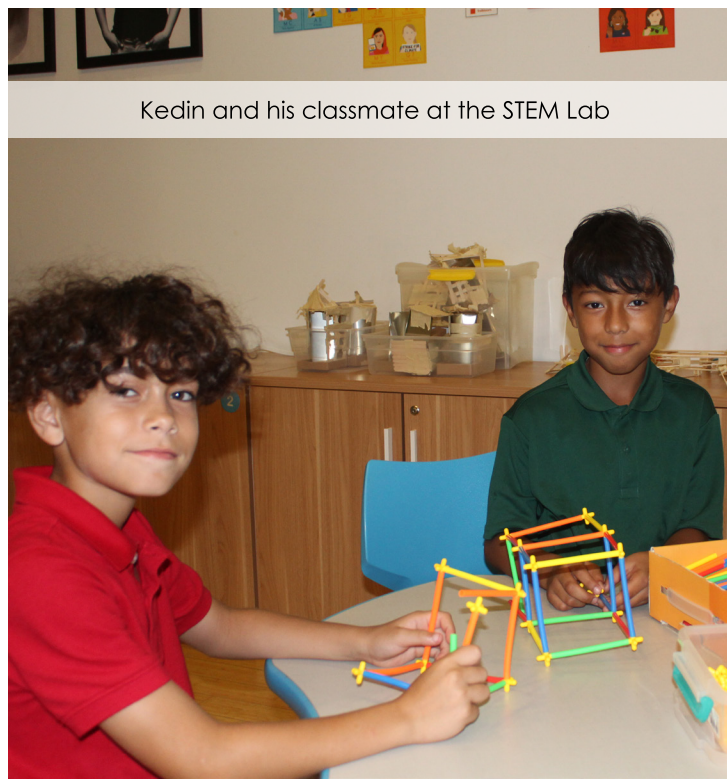
While the Academy of Leaders starts with academics, we also engage students in art projects, science labs, sports and more - keeping the fun in learning while building their confidence. For Kedin, a gooey mixture sparked his curiosity in science. ***"I liked when we did the Oobleck project in the STEM lab. It's like a dough that is a solid and a liquid,"*** he shares. *"Science is cool!"*

**And Kedin's mom is learning right along with him and two-year-old brother, Alejandro, by participating in our Bright Beginnings Family Literacy program. As her English improves, she can help with reading and math homework while supporting Alejandro's early learning.**

Kedin's journey is just beginning, but he is actively building the tools and confidence to meet each new challenge with determination. With Grace Place teachers by his side, he's not just keeping up in school, he's preparing for a bright future.



Kedin and his little brother Alejandro



Kedin and his classmate at the STEM Lab



# A TRUE LEADER

## Amanda's Story

*"Grace Place is where I'm building the foundation for the rest of my life," she says.*





Deciding to run for class president was a big step for Amanda.

She credits Grace Place teachers—and her mentor, Kay Barton—for giving her the self-assurance, focus, and sense of responsibility to take on the challenge.

Amanda's confidence didn't blossom overnight.

**She was an average student in middle school, shy and uncertain about herself**—a student who might have been left behind academically and socially. *“At first, I just came to the after-school program to be with my friends. But I kept coming because the Grace Place teachers genuinely cared about me. That’s when I started doing better in school,”* she says. Caring, dedicated teachers. Homework help and tutoring. And the chance to select a special club activity when she joined Choice Academies in middle school. Everything made a difference.

Chess quickly became her favorite club activity. *“Chess taught me to always think ahead and have a plan,”* she says. And because Choice Academy students give presentations every eight weeks to donors, volunteers and community leaders, Amanda also learned to speak confidently in public - a skill she now uses every day as a leader.

**Today, Amanda is a high school sophomore with a 3.8 GPA, already meeting her English Language Arts and Math standardized test requirements—a milestone many students don’t reach until later.**

She also gives back, working as a volunteer with the elementary program at Grace Place, and hoping to work as a Teacher’s Aide once she turns 16. In college, she plans to pursue a degree in education. *“My goal this year is to hold myself accountable, stay organized, and improve my GPA to a 4.0.”*

Because of you, Amanda is exploring the world beyond Golden Gate. College visits and career field trips will expand her horizons, strengthening both her leadership and social skills.

**And Amanda’s hard work paid off.** She is now Sophomore Class President—a powerful testament to the leadership, voice, and purpose she’s built along the way, always crediting Grace Place for helping her believe she could.

## MIDDLE SCHOOL SNAPSHOT



100%

6th graders have an A or B grade point average



94%

Improved in English proficiency



60%

Have siblings in Grace Place programs



Amanda and classmate at Chess Choice Academy



# FROM COURAGE TO CONFIDENCE

Adelaida's Journey



Adelaida with the paper flowers she created





**Adelaida arrived in the U.S. from Mexico 20 years ago with nothing but the courage to build a better life.** She

was alone, unable to speak English, but determined. Her days began at 3 a.m., working in a restaurant and learning English from her boss.

4 years later, she met her husband. After enduring a heartbreaking loss, they welcomed their daughter Angelique, marking the beautiful start of a new chapter. Adelaida joined Bright Beginnings at Grace Place, where her family blossomed in the family literacy program.

**When their second child, Christopher, wasn't speaking at 18 months, Adelaida turned to the teachers she trusted.**

He was diagnosed with mild autism. Quickly, Grace Place stepped in with the guidance and resources to help his language development. Equally important, their entire family was supported at a critical time in their lives.

Today, Angelique and Christopher are outstanding students, having developed a deep love for learning. **It's a testament to their hard work, the power of family literacy and the impact of the Bright Beginnings program.**

Adelaida continued her own education, too, becoming fluent in English. She's truly a lifelong learner!

**Through our Adult Education entrepreneurship classes, Adelaida discovered a love for design.**

She now creates beautiful centerpieces with paper flowers for events. And she's building a business plan for her floral business, with the guidance of mentors and the encouragement of her classmates.

*"She's not just starting a business—she's rewriting her family's future. Starting a business on your own is tough enough, but doing that while learning English, raising kids, and having another job is truly amazing. **Her journey is a masterclass in grit, growth, and love—and her children will always know what it means to dream boldly and work bravely.**"* said volunteer entrepreneurial class teacher Chris Hartman.

Guided by her father's words, "What you sow with love, you will reap," Adelaida pours love into everything she does.

She credits Grace Place—and the donors who make programs like Bright Beginnings possible—for her family's success. **Her thank you is simple. "Your generosity helps Grace Place change lives. May God bless you all."**

#### ADULT EDUCATION SNAPSHOT



**90%**

Improved their English reading comprehension



**250**

Students enrolled



**11**

Students passed the citizenship test





OUR TEACHERS...

THE HEART BEHIND EVERY SUCCESS

Mrs. Sarai teaching a student how to write







Mr. Steven helping a student with homework

**In Florida, where teacher pay ranks last in the nation, choosing to teach is an act of courage and of heart.** Making ends meet as an educator can be a real challenge. It's why fewer college graduates are choosing to teach, and why staffing remains one of our greatest challenges.

The teacher shortage comes at a time when demand is rising. At Golden Gate High School, the number of English Language Learners (ELLs) now exceeds even that of Immokalee, a clear sign that our teachers are more important than ever.

**Thanks to partners like the Trompeter Family Foundation, Grace Place can support the educators who make transformation possible.**

**Their impact is clear:** 93% of our 4-year-olds were kindergarten-ready last year, starting school confidently and ready to learn. 100% of our high school students graduated, compared to 91% in Collier County and 87% nationally. Each success reflects the heart and dedication of our teachers and the hard work of our students.



Ms. Yamilka teaching students

Pat Trompeter of the Trompeter Family Foundation explains that his partnership with Grace Place is about more than funding - it's about impact.

***"When we invest in teachers, we're investing in every child they reach. Supporting salaries isn't just about funding a position, it's about honoring the people who shape futures, spark curiosity, and build the foundation of strong communities. I give because great educators deserve more than gratitude, they deserve the resources to thrive."***

We're on a mission to bridge the achievement gap: only 35% of economically disadvantaged students in grades 3–10 scored proficient in English Language Arts in 2023, compared to 64% of non-economically disadvantaged students. These gaps widen over time, narrowing the path to college, careers and opportunity. The way forward begins with teachers.

**By lifting up teachers, we lift up entire families, neighborhoods, and futures.**



Ms. Shaga reading to the class





# OPPORTUNITY MEETS DETERMINATION

Bryan's Story

*“Grace Place gave me a purpose.  
To me, it’s a symbol of opportunity”*



When Bryan walked into Grace Place as a high school student, he had no idea that day would change the course of his life.

Bryan's single mother immigrated from Mexico and worked long hours to support her two sons in Golden Gate. At home, Bryan spoke Spanish; at school he worked hard to master English. Finances were a challenge, and opportunities often felt limited. **Though he earned strong grades, college seemed like a distant dream - something meant for other families, not his own.**

That began to change the moment Bryan found Grace Place. What started as volunteering soon turned into something greater. **When he was hired as a student leader in the after-school program, he found mentors who believed in him and a community that saw his potential.** Staff and volunteers guided him through college applications, helped him craft essays, and reviewed scholarships and financial aid forms. What once felt out of reach, began to feel like a possibility.

#### HIGH SCHOOL SNAPSHOT



**100%**  
Graduation rate



**85%**  
High School students believe their grades have improved because of Grace Place



**50%**  
Grace Place senior students had completed paid internships

**Bryan still remembers the call—the one from Grace Place offering him a full-ride scholarship to Florida Gulf Coast University.** “It was a surreal moment. It really changed my life. What I was able to do at FGCU and beyond... I can't imagine my life without it.”

Bryan graduated **debt-free** with a degree in Political Science and a growing passion for social justice. **Today, he works as a paralegal at an immigration law firm where he uses his education and lived experiences to connect deeply with his clients.** Every day, he advocates for others who remind him of where he started.

Bryan's story is one of perseverance and promise. He's making the most of every day. Grace Place may have changed his life, but he is changing the world.



Bryan joins the FGCU Hall of Fame for his leadership and excellence



# NEW WHEELS NEW OPPORTUNITIES

How Two Donated Buses are  
Driving Student Success

Our buses were very old and often breaking down in the Florida heat, causing delays or cancellations.

The cost of repairs was skyrocketing and the buses weren't big enough to transport everyone on busy days.

For families already facing economic instability, lack of transportation leads to absenteeism, resulting in an achievement gap that compounds over time.

***"Statistically one of the most important factors influencing academic achievement is attendance. It was important to us that any barriers to attendance be minimized or eliminated."*** - Dennis & Fran Letham





As long-time volunteers and donors, **Dennis & Fran Letham and Vince & Pat Foglia, recognized the challenge and decided it was a problem they could solve.** Their recent gifts of two shiny, new buses were a very bright start to the school year in August.

**The Foglia and Letham families moved beyond traditional giving to become true partners in problem-solving.** What started as ongoing operational support evolved into something transformational, when these donors realized that transportation was the missing piece preventing us from serving even more families effectively.

***“Every child deserves to grow up in an environment grounded in love and rich with promise. It is our collective responsibility to make this a reality.” - Vince & Pat Foglia***

**Daily attendance matters.** Children who attend our Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten (VPK) consistently enter kindergarten better prepared and are significantly more likely to meet critical benchmarks like third grade reading proficiency, which sets the stage for lifelong success.

Similarly, our after-school programs support more than 500 students with academic enrichment, tutoring, and a safe space to grow. These programs are critical for working families who rely on Grace Place not only for education but also for structure and support during out-of-school hours.

**These extraordinary gifts are more than transportation.** They are a bridge to opportunity. Safe and reliable buses ease the burden on preschool parents, restore afterschool access for K–5 students, and expand our ability to transport middle and high schoolers.

**Every bus route is a step toward a stronger, more connected community.**

#### Ongoing support allow us to:

- **Hire and train skilled drivers** who know our kids by name.
- **Keep buses safe**, reliable and well-maintained.
- **Expand routes** so more children can ride toward opportunity.



Student coming to Grace Place for the After-school program



## VOLUNTEER SNAPSHOT



13,555

Hours Volunteered



106

New Volunteers



308

Volunteers



\$428,474

Saved by Volunteer Labor



66

Volunteer Groups



## DONOR SNAPSHOT



1,339

Total Donors



525

New Donors



259

10+ Years Donors

## FUNDRAISING SNAPSHOT



97

Corporate Sponsors



46

States Donors  
Give From



42

Grants Awarded



## RECURRING VOLUNTEERS

Ashley Aguilar-Maciel  
Nazmiye Akyuz  
Deborah Allen  
Elisha Alexandre  
Eliana Alicea  
Alejandro Alvarez  
Diana Alvarez  
Monica Alvarez  
Jillian Alzamora  
Jason Amoyo  
Ricardo Aponte  
Leo Appelbaum  
Linda Appelbaum  
Delilah Archibald  
Loreto Arkell  
Marcela Armoza  
Curtiss Asbell  
Karen Bach  
Sara Baldwin  
Karen Barbato  
Mark Barber  
Charlene Barnette  
Marco Barroso  
Karen Barry  
George Bartlett  
Kay Barton  
Kim Barwise  
Margaret Bastida  
Mariana Beckner  
David Beier  
Nancy Beights  
Kathleen Bellissimo  
Al Bennett  
Max Beren  
Diane Bernaciak  
Suzanne Berry  
Caroline Bertrand  
Linda Birdwell  
Nikki Blaha  
Debbie Blaine  
Megan Blanchard  
Jessica Blanco  
Nick Bodell  
Beverly Bohl  
Gloria Bojaca  
Nancy Bond

Oscar Bonilla Velandia  
Gerald Bonner  
Jim Bosscher  
Pat Bosscher  
Ron Bostic  
Cheray Bowis  
Shawn Bragg  
Jon Bremseth  
Christine Brenco  
Leslie Brett  
Christine Briggs  
Bonnie Brisky  
Randi Brooklier  
Sandra Brooks  
Emily Brovey  
Madison Brown  
Jeff Buckley  
Andrew Buschle  
Rita Calabretta  
Susan Callahan  
Katherine Campbell  
Nicole Cano-Milian  
Nancy Carlson  
Donna Casey  
Maureen Casey Coe  
Jennifer Cassidy  
Olivia Cassidy  
Patrick Cassidy  
Don Caster  
Chelsey Chambers  
Adam Charles  
Scott Chartier  
Gus Chester  
Tina Cirakovic  
Crystie Ciriello  
Aenny Cius  
Dahara Clark  
Tom Clark  
Dallas Clarke  
Tina Cleveland  
Morgan Cloutier  
Keith Cody  
Chris Cole  
Sandy Comeau  
Jean Cotti-Johnson  
Kip Courtemanche  
Darcy Cox  
Janice Cressman

Johanna Cruz  
Maria Cruz  
Sandy Cunningham  
Roxane Cunningham  
Julia Cuny  
Addy Curry  
Lindsay Dangond  
Beth Davis  
Lisa Davis  
Sophia Debs  
John Diaz  
Lauren Diaz  
Laury Diejuste  
Linda DiGiorno  
Lexi DiPascale  
Malaika Diprena  
Lisa Dollard  
Jenny Dor  
Tanesha Dorcely  
Nedeljka Drazic  
Marty Durham  
Trevor Durham  
Sue Durning  
Karen Easley  
Marisol Esteban  
Love-Mica Eugene  
Ken Ewell  
Lisa Ewell  
David Fackler  
Larry Farguson  
Christela Faustin  
Alana Felix  
Amy Ferrie  
John Ferrie  
Sharon Fiedler  
Nicole Figueredo  
Tom Fitzgerald  
Juliana Flores  
Mackenzie Fluharty  
Holly Foley  
Bill Fox  
Rosemary Fox  
Kathleen Friedler  
Louis Gallart  
Lissa Galotto  
Miranda Gamino  
Juan Garcia  
Isabella Garcia

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June Gaston  
Kent Gaston  
Klif Gehring  
Anneke Geldenhuys  
Kaleb Gerald  
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Sharon Gibbs  
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Maria Edith Hernandez  
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Amy Hunt  
Deb Hurd  
Pam Hurd  
Lisa Ippolito  
Judy Jacobs  
Matthew Jacobson  
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Adina Jean  
Cindy Jonckheere

David Jonckheere  
Clay Jones  
Marlene Joseph  
Liz Kellar  
Pam Kennedy  
Cheryl Kensington  
Judy Kesler  
Gerry Kimble  
Doreen Klein  
Ramona Knight  
Alex Kolev  
Susan Kooistra  
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Sylvia Kumar  
Valerie Kuntz  
Frank LaBarbera  
Jak LaBarbera  
Sarah LaBarbera  
James Lake  
Isabella Lala  
Cynthia Lammert  
Howard Landis  
Aaron Lapp  
Antonio Lara  
Moira Lardakis  
Patrick Lawler  
Kerry Lawler  
Susan Leaman  
Rachel Lee  
Dennis Letham  
Jane Levine  
Sonya Light  
Kathy Long  
Monica Lopez Perez  
Magie Lopez- Perez  
Kay Lukas  
Bill Lynch  
Kathleen Lynch  
Stew MacFarlane  
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Isabella Madariaga  
Valerie Majoros  
Renette Majuste  
Peyton Mantell  
Jerilyn Mapes  
Nancy Marino  
Matthew Martinez







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Diane McGrath  
Michael McGrath  
Ginger McKenzie  
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Michelle Meditz  
Miriam Mendoza  
Jackie Millan  
Brian Miller  
Gail Miller  
Diedre Milligan  
Ana Mills  
Liliana Miloseska  
Juan Montoya  
Jo Monvil  
Tyler Moore  
Patricia Moran  
Laisa Moran  
Diane Morgan  
Sara Morgan  
Carolyn Morris  
Rick Morris  
Mark Muedeking  
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Claudia Nelson  
Noah Noonan  
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Amber Nottidge  
Carol O'Brien  
Lynn O'Brien  
Neil O'Brien  
Makena Oglesby  
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Stephanie Orlikoff  
Siri Oss  
Diane Palmer  
Pat Patek  
Keshly Payero  
Amanda Pearson  
Josephine Pekar  
Alba Perdomo  
Diane Perez

Gabriela Perez  
Nivia Perez-Bracho  
Daniela Perez-Una  
Pete Peterman  
Denise Peterson  
Russell Peterson  
Eva Petrovski  
Colleen Pietrobono  
Natalie Plante  
Josey Prior  
Karen Quinlan  
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Belinda Ramos-Calvo  
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Ken Rapp  
Nita Rapp  
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Susan Reilly  
Emily Renda  
Jael Resendiz  
Magnolia Revolorio  
Karla Ribeiro  
Dawn Richardson  
Hannah Roberts  
Kaye Roberts  
Jackie Robinson  
Evelyn Robledo  
Justin Rodriguez  
Leidy Rodriguez  
Becky Roesler  
Audrey Rooney  
Andrea Rose  
Helmut Roth  
Joanne Russell  
Scott Ryan  
Bill Safrin  
Marc Saint-Juste  
Nasly Sanchez Rodriguez  
Kirsten Sandberg-Da Silva  
Nury Santos  
Helene Scher  
Seraphina Schmieding  
Lori Seelgen  
Deilila Seme  
Gayle Severson  
Emily Shafer  
Ian Shepherd

Christina Skibicki  
Arthur Smith  
Suzanne Smith  
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Michael Swain  
Gerry Swift  
Esther Tanis  
Philogene Tanis  
Debbie Tattersall  
Cesar Taveras  
Julie Thiele  
Keira Thompson  
Dwight Tigges  
Michael Tolle  
Ally Torrez  
Michelle Tricca  
Alexis Trubiano  
Diane True  
Mario Valle  
Charlize Vaniel  
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## VOLUNTEER GROUPS ON CAMPUS

Alliance for Period Supplies of SWFL  
Alpha Sigma Chapter FGCU  
Arthrex (multiple departments)  
Ave Maria University Athletic Dpt.  
Baby Basics  
Bank of America  
Barron Collier Science Society  
Bikes for Tykes  
Book Buddies  
Boy Scout Troop 951  
Chase Bank  
Children's Museum of Naples  
Coastland Center  
Collier County Public Library  
Collier County Sheriff's Office  
Community School - Key Club  
Conservancy of SWFL  
David Lawrence Center  
FGCU Athletic Department  
Fifth Third Bank  
First Horizon Bank  
First Naples Church  
First United Methodist Church  
Florida Blue  
Girl Scouts of Gulfcoast Florida  
Great Wolf Lodge  
Greater Naples Fire Rescue  
Gulf Community Church  
Gulfshore Playhouse  
Health and Humanity Club

Healthcare Network  
Healthy Start  
Humane Society of Naples  
JP Morgan Private Bank  
Junior Achievement  
Meals of Hope  
Members Club at Marco  
Naples Botanical Gardens  
Naples Lions Club  
Naples United Church of Christ  
Patriot Readers  
Premiere Plus Realty  
Publix  
Schwab  
Shepherd of the Glades  
Siena Lakes Erickson  
Senior Living Community  
St. John Neumann  
High School  
StarAbility  
Texas Roadhouse  
The Healthy Earth Org.  
The League Club  
The Woman's Club  
Trinity-by-the-Cove  
Episcopal Church  
United Arts Collier  
Unity Church  
Valencia Trails  
Wags to Wishes  
Walmart  
Women of the 239



# FINANCIALS

Fiscal Year August 1, 2024 - July 31, 2025

## ASSETS

Cash	\$ 912,265
Endowment	522,422
Investments	6,478,842
Other Current Assets	593,920

**Total Current Assets 8,507,449**

Fixed Assets	14,196,567
Accumulated Depreciation	(4,549,962)
<b>Net Fixed Assets</b>	<b>9,646,605</b>

**Total Assets \$ 18,154,054**

## LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS

Current Liabilities	\$ 476,683
Mortgage Payable	449,758
Total Net Assets	17,227,613

**Total Liabilities & Net Assets \$ 18,154,054**

## SOURCES (OPERATIONS)

General Donations	\$ 5,100,143
Special Events - Net	1,914,613
Grace Place Family Literacy Model	9,000
In-Kind Donations	1,252,622
Other Sources	30,163

**Total Funds Received \$ 8,306,541**

## USES

Operating Expenses	\$ 6,433,614
In-Kind Donations	1,252,622

**Total Funds Used \$ 7,686,236**

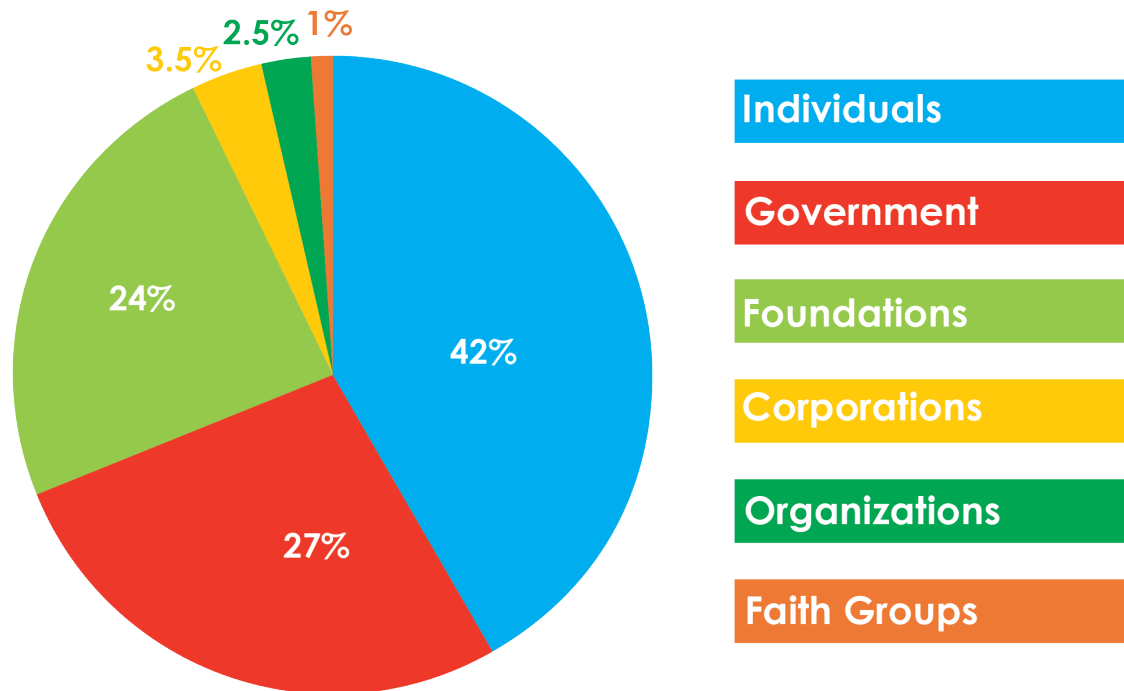
## NON-OPERATING SOURCES

Restricted Donations	\$ 1,725,578
Endowment Income	53,900
Investment Income	534,624

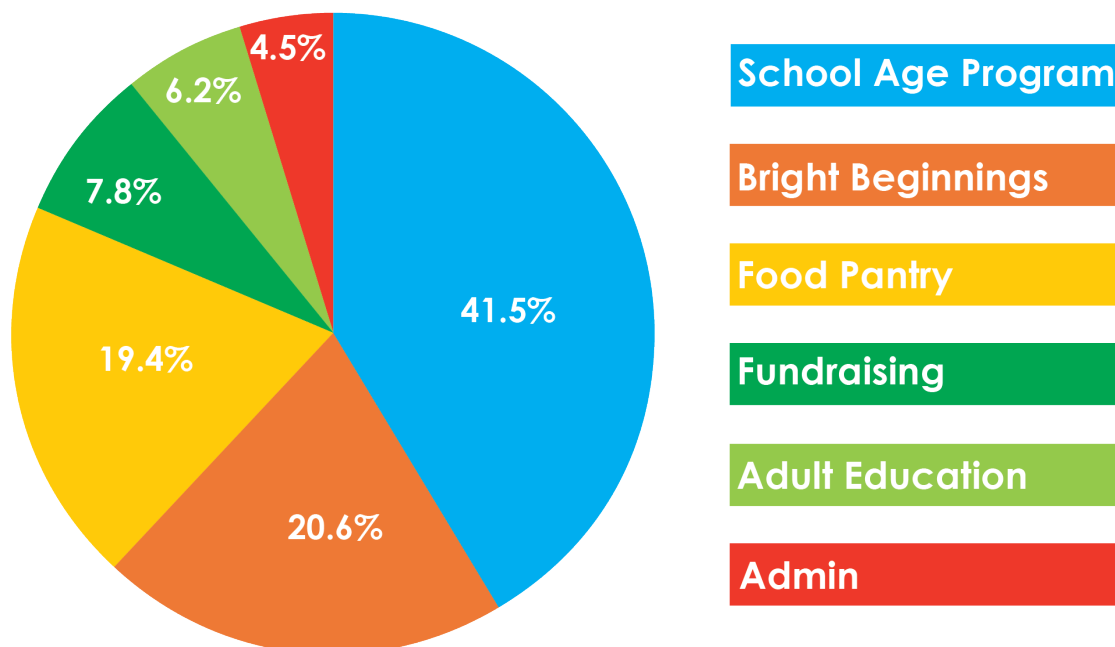
**Total Non-Operating Funds \$ 2,314,102**



## GIVING BY SOURCE



## OPERATIONAL USE OF FUNDS





## CAMPUS SNAPSHOT

**1,239** Students

**427** Families

**27** Countries are represented  
in Grace Place student population

**94%** Of Grace Place students  
qualify for free or reduced lunch

**79%** Overall of students improved  
their grades

**100%** Of Grace Place programs are free

**4** Acre Campus

**122** Staff

GPA's across all School Age Program are  
better than a 2.8



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