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WHO WE ARE

The Los Angeles Unified School District Education Foundation (LAEF) serves as the essential bridge connecting private philanthropy directly to the 550,000 students of LAUSD.

With the District achieving historic academic gains, we exist to accelerate this momentum by connecting funders directly to the schools and classrooms that need them the most.

We operate as an **independent non-profit** to drive innovation while maintaining the deep alignment with District leadership necessary to scale proven strategies.

Join Us

Please consider joining us to unlock opportunities for our students. The future of Los Angeles is sitting in LAUSD classrooms today. Let's build the educational opportunities that they need and deserve.

Contact Us

LAEF is a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit (Tax ID: 68-0503221). Your contribution is tax-deductible and supports our programs. For more info, contact:

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We help our supporters choose amongst our Opportunity Fund, Compassion Fund, or one of our three Signature Initiatives.

Note: We also maintain a standing Wildfire Relief Fund for donors specifically focused on rapid disaster response.



The Opportunity Fund

Designed to prove that a large urban district can deliver incredible outcomes for every student. We are making a bold, multi-year investment in Priority Schools to support students furthest from opportunity. This strategy drives impact through four research backed pillars: placing the strongest principals where they are needed most, providing best-in-class teacher coaching, ensuring high-quality curriculum, and delivering high-dosage tutoring in literacy and math.



The Compassion Fund

Provides stability in crisis. When a student's basic needs aren't met, their ability to learn disappears. The Compassion Fund provides rapid, flexible support for the tens of thousands of students navigating homelessness, foster care, and family crises. By delivering immediate aid for essentials like groceries and rental assistance, we create the stability for every child to stay in school and thrive.



Signature Funds

For Arts & Music, Literacy, and Innovation. This fund powers immediate action across three signature initiatives. Whether it is getting instruments in the hands of students most in need, supporting early literacy to ensure every child reads by third grade, or strengthening career pathways for the future of the workforce, these initiatives allow our partners to deploy resources immediately for visible results.