

2026 Annual Report | Anniversary Edition

Celebrating 25 Years of Unstoppable Momentum



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Celebrating 25 Years of Impact

This special edition annual report celebrates Utah Clean Energy's 25th anniversary. Serving as CEO for the past quarter century has been the adventure of my lifetime, and I am so grateful to the people I have worked with along the way.

As I step away from my role, I find myself reflecting on what it has taken to get us here and what we need going forward. The wins you are about to read represent far more than projects or milestones. They reflect an entire community working together with persistence, ingenuity, and shared purpose.

I've been thinking about the "secret sauce" that made these accomplishments possible, and how we carry that momentum forward. While these wins are undoubtedly the result of the incredible talent and dedication of the Utah Clean Energy team, our partners, and our supporters, so much of our success comes down to something deeper: finding shared values, building strong relationships, solving around shared interests, and approaching this work with a mindset grounded in possibility.

Time and again, we have seen that even with those who disagree with us, we have far more in common than we might assume. At the end of the day, we all care about our families, our children, and our communities. We all want clean air, a stable climate, and a future that works. Starting from these shared values has allowed Utah Clean Energy to build trust, forge unlikely partnerships, and open doors that might otherwise have remained closed.

We are also guided by a clear truth that failure on climate is simply not an option. Solving hard problems begins with a belief in and vision of what is possible and a conviction that we can succeed. Whether advancing clean energy solutions, shaping policy, or building support for climate action one conversation at a time, this mindset has carried Utah Clean Energy forward and will continue to do so.

Clean energy is scaling rapidly. Energy storage is advancing. High-performance buildings and electric vehicles are becoming the norm. But we need to bend the emissions curve farther and faster. These solutions are not just necessary to stabilize the climate—they strengthen our communities and make our lives better. Reaching the scale required by climate change will depend not only on innovation, but on our collective belief that we can accomplish extraordinary things and move beyond politics to shared values and creative problem-solving.

As I step down, I invite all of us to hold on to this "secret sauce." To continue building on shared values. To strengthen relationships. To act with urgency while maintaining the belief that what we are working toward is not only necessary, but achievable.

This work has never been about one person. It has always been about all of us, working together. Thank you for being part of this journey, and for helping power a healthy, thriving future for Utah and beyond.



Sarah Wright
Founder
Utah Clean Energy

Shaping Utah's Clean Energy Future

Utah Clean Energy exists to turn the tide on climate change and clean up the air we breathe. Our success means healthier communities, a higher quality of life, and a thriving future for our kids and future generations.

This special 25-year anniversary report highlights Utah's incredible journey toward a cleaner energy future and the leadership role Utah Clean Energy has played. The following milestones are just a snapshot of the moments where bold action, partnership, and innovation helped spark a new energy era for a healthier climate and thriving communities.

Whether you have only just discovered Utah Clean Energy's work or have been invested in this work from the start, these wins are your wins. We hope that as you read through this anniversary report you will also take a moment to celebrate the important progress we have achieved together.

To realize our ambitious but achievable goals, we focus on four priorities that are core to this work.



UNLEASH
*Utah's abundant clean
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electric vehicle adoption



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LEAD
on climate action

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8 Milestone Moments in Utah's Clean Energy Journey



1

UTAH WIND POWER CAMPAIGN LAUNCHES A NEW ENERGY ERA

Our Utah Wind Power Campaign spurred the market for wind energy with a student-led initiative to power the University of Utah with clean energy. (2002)

2

POLLUTION-FREE ENERGY TAKES ROOT IN UTAH

Large-scale solar and wind projects began sprouting up across the state after Utah Clean Energy advocated for fair pricing and increased market competition. (2008)

3

CHAMPIONING ROOFTOP SOLAR

The Salt Lake City Million Solar Roofs initiative expanded access to rooftop solar, helping more homes and businesses adopt distributed solar citywide. (2005)

4

SPURRING A ROOFTOP SOLAR BOOM

Utah Clean Energy's work to spearhead pro-solar incentives, favorable net metering, and best-in-class interconnection rules resulted in rooftop solar doubling statewide annually for over a decade. (2007-2016)

5

COMMUNITIES COMMIT TO 100% CLEAN ENERGY

The Community Renewable Energy Act (House Bill 411) becomes law, enabling cities and towns to be powered with 100% clean energy. (2019)

6

BRINGING SOLAR TO SMALL BUSINESSES

Multiple local small businesses on Salt Lake City's Westside go solar through the Salt Lake City Solar Powered Communities Project. (2024)

7

PLUG-IN SOLAR PASSES IN UTAH

Utah becomes the first state in the nation to legalize plug-in solar, a low-cost, simple way to get power from the sun. (2025)

8

INTRODUCING THE GREEN RIVER ENERGY CENTER

The largest solar and storage project in PacifiCorp's system, the Green River Energy Center, began commercial operations in 2026. The project's 400 MW of solar and 400 MW of battery storage is enough clean energy to power 110,000 homes. (2026)

>>>>> To date, we have unleashed **8.5 gigawatts** of net clean power capacity, representing nearly **\$17 billion** in clean energy investments for Utah. That is enough wind, solar, and geothermal energy in the ground to power nearly **three million homes** annually, and thousands of families and businesses are powered with rooftop solar. This remarkable momentum continues to accelerate.

TRANSFORM

*homes and buildings
to be pollution-free*

7 Energy Efficiency Highlights That Are Unlocking High-Performance Buildings in Utah

1

HOMES GET AN UPGRADE

Utah's building code is updated to the 2006 International Energy Conservation Code, upgrading the way our homes are built to reduce pollution and save families money on their utility bills. (2006)



2

ENERGY EFFICIENCY GOES MAINSTREAM

The utility-led WattsSmart® and ThermWise® energy saving programs launch. These programs were (and continue to be) championed and informed by Utah Clean Energy's experts. (2008)

3

LARGE ENERGY USERS BECOME LEADERS IN EFFICIENCY

Utah Clean Energy worked with some of the state's largest industrial energy users to foster peer-to-peer learning, reduce pollution, and become energy-efficiency champions. (2013)

4

PARTNERING WITH HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

In partnership with Utah Clean Energy, Habitat for Humanity of Summit & Wasatch Counties complete two Zero Energy Ready, solar-ready homes and expanded the model through builder training. (2019)

5

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH LEADS THE WAY

The community and faith leader reduced its building emissions, then applied lessons learned to help congregants also cut their home energy use. (2020)



6

CONNECTING AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND EFFICIENT HOUSING

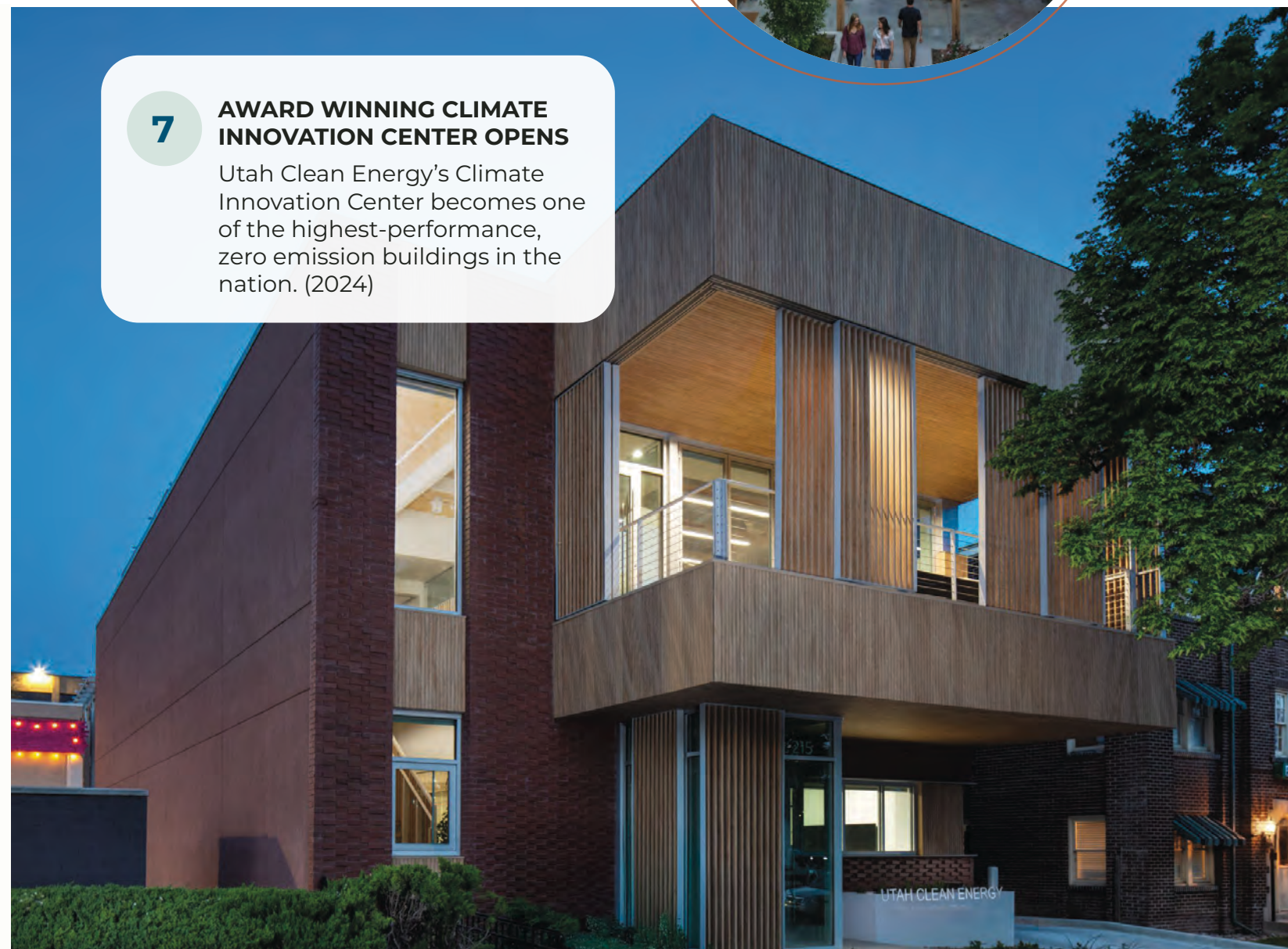
Affordable housing integrates high-performance building standards when the SLC Community Reinvestment Agency incentivizes all-electric, high-efficiency building projects. (2021)



7

AWARD WINNING CLIMATE INNOVATION CENTER OPENS

Utah Clean Energy's Climate Innovation Center becomes one of the highest-performance, zero emission buildings in the nation. (2024)



>>>>> For 25 years, Utah Clean Energy has led the charge to make buildings healthier, more affordable, and highly energy and water efficient. These milestone moments have transformed Utah's homes and buildings for a more sustainable future.

ACCELERATE *electric vehicle adoption*

7 Defining Efforts Driving the Shift Toward Clean, Electrified Transportation

1

CREATING AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE ROADMAP FOR UTAH

Salt Lake City and Utah Clean Energy create a community-wide roadmap to electrify transportation, improve air quality, and modernize mobility. (2018)

2

BULK PURCHASE PROGRAMS MAKE ELECTRIC VEHICLES AVAILABLE TO EVERYONE

Helping hundreds of Utahns ditch the tailpipe through multiple Drive Electric bulk purchase programs that lowered costs and simplified EV adoption. (2015)

3

SECURING MILLIONS FOR EV CHARGING

With input from Utah Clean Energy, Rocky Mountain Power dedicates \$50M to double Utah's EV network through charging incentives for homes, businesses, and expanding fast-charging hubs across the state. (2021)

4

A COMPREHENSIVE TOOLKIT FOR FLEET ELECTRIFICATION

The Fleet Electrification Toolkit empowers leaders to take their medium- and heavy-duty truck fleets electric and contribute to a cleaner airshed. (2023)

5

EXPANDING EV ACCESS

We increased EV charging access in partnership with Salt Lake City, Moab, and Summit County, which adopted ordinances requiring new multi-unit developments to be EV-ready. (2024)

6

FLEETS DITCH THEIR TAILPIPES

We partnered with fleet owners using medium- and heavy-duty trucks to gather real-world data on their fleets and provide technical support to help transition them from gas to electric. (2025)

7

SUCCESSFULLY SAFEGUARDING EV CHARGING

Utah Clean Energy defends millions in funding for EV-charging at multi-family housing. (2025)

>>>>> From Logan to St. George, more pollution-free electric vehicles (including medium- and heavy-duty trucks) are on Utah roads, and charging with Utah's growing network of reliable electric infrastructure. Utah Clean Energy's focus on transportation electrification has helped make it happen. The result is cleaner air and healthier communities for all.



7 Turning Points in Making Utah a National Climate Leader

1

UTAH'S FIRST CLIMATE PLAN

Utah Clean Energy contributes to Governor Huntsman's Blue Ribbon Advisory Council on Climate Change, which resulted in a comprehensive set of 70 recommendations to turn the tide on climate change. (2006)

2

THE CLEAN ENERGY BUSINESS COALITION BECOMES A HUB FOR INNOVATION

Utah Clean Energy establishes the Clean Energy Business Coalition, forming a hub for the state's business community to collaborate and lead on climate policy. (2010)

3

CLIMATE SOLUTIONS TAKE CENTER STAGE

Utah Climate Week launches as an annual statewide initiative to bring together communities to collaborate on local climate solutions. (2017)

4

UP FOR AIR UNITES AROUND CLEAN AIR AND CLIMATE

Utah Clean Energy partners with the Up For Air Series which unites Utahns passionate about running, climbing, and the outdoors with the call to action for cleaner air. (2018)

5

LAUNCHING THE CLIMATE AND CLEAN AIR COMPACT

Utah Clean Energy launches the Climate and Clean Air Compact with 200 Utah leaders from all sectors of society serving as signatories to elevate local climate leadership. (2020)

6

CLIMATE CHANGE FILM TOUR: INSPIRE. EMPOWER. ACTION.

Through powerful storytelling, the first-of-its-kind Climate Change Film Tour sparks conversation, builds community, and motivates action on climate change across Utah. (2021)

7

UTAH DEVELOPS A STATEWIDE EMISSIONS REDUCTION PLAN

Utah is one of 25 recipients selected (out of 300 applicants) for the EPA's Climate Pollution Reduction Grant. The grant supports the creation of Utah's first Beehive Emissions Reduction Plan with strategies to clean the air and cut pollution statewide. (2022)

>>>>> Lasting climate progress starts with local and state leadership, and demonstrates a conservative state can lead on climate solutions. For 25 years, we have been successfully uniting business, faith, and community voices to advance nonpartisan solutions for climate and clean air. And we're just getting started!



25 Years of Impact At-A-Glance

These estimates are derived from data from PacifiCorp, Atlas Public Policy, and Utah Clean Energy analysis. All electricity data is referencing projects within Utah’s largest utility, PacifiCorp’s service area.

2.7 Million Homes

equivalent number of homes powered by wind and solar projects



3 Million Tons

of greenhouse gas emissions prevented through energy efficiency programs in Utah –equivalent to 36,000 tanker trucks worth of gasoline



7.7 Gigawatts

of pollution-free power from utility-scale wind and solar projects, preventing 12.5 million tons of CO2 emissions every year



\$33 Million

in annual property taxes from utility-scale solar, wind, and geothermal projects across Utah

34,000 Utah Jobs

created in the energy efficiency sector



200 Signatories

to Utah Clean Energy’s Climate and Clean Air Compact



77,000 Homes

with rooftop solar in Utah



\$1.8 Billion

saved by Utah families and businesses through utility energy efficiency programs since 2010

Spotlight: A Few of Our Favorite Climate Conversations

A CLIMATE SCIENTIST’S CASE FOR HOPE AND HEALING IN A DIVIDED WORLD

Dr. Katharine Hayhoe is committed to changing the way we think about climate change, and brings with her a unique perspective as a prominent scientist, evangelical Christian, and mother. As the keynote speaker at several Utah Clean Energy events, she shared her compelling message of unity and joy, emphasizing that through our common values, we can indeed tackle the greatest challenge of our generation.



FINDING COMMON GROUND ON CLIMATE SOLUTIONS

Utah Clean Energy convenes leaders from across the political spectrum to create spaces for collaboration and forward-thinking solutions. Events like “Finding Common Ground” brought together Benji Backer, author of *The Conservative Environmentalist: Common Sense Solutions for a Sustainable Future*, with Utah Senator John Curtis, founder of the House Conservative Climate Caucus, and then-Senate candidate and climate champion, Caroline Gleich. Hosted by Scott Anderson, non-executive chairman of Zions Bank, this discussion highlighted shared priorities and real opportunities to advance climate solutions.

PARTNERING: FORGING THE DEEP CONNECTIONS THAT MAKE GREAT THINGS HAPPEN

It was a memorable opportunity to host Jean Oelwang, founding CEO and president of Virgin Unite and author of *Partnering*. Oelwang shared insights from more than 15 years of working alongside some of the world’s most impactful collaborators including Richard Branson and Peter Gabriel, Archbishop Desmond and Leah Tutu, and the cofounders of Airbnb. Through inspiring stories and practical lessons, she highlighted how strong partnerships can amplify leadership, impact, and transformative climate solutions.



Powering Forward: A Letter From Our CEO

As Utah Clean Energy’s new Chief Executive Officer, I am honored to share this retrospective on our 25-year history. With this impact report, we are celebrating the many milestones and successes you have helped make possible since our founding.

When I first started working at Utah Clean Energy in 2004, I was a University of Utah undergrad stepping into my role as an assistant outreach coordinator. Looking back, it was the start of something monumental. I had no idea I was joining an organization that would be at the heart of Utah’s energy transformation. Working for ten years with our founder and visionary leader, Sarah Wright, I learned the importance of partnership and perseverance, of leading with respect and kindness, and of being audacious and courageous in the face of challenges. As I step into the role of CEO, I carry these lessons and values forward in our next chapter.

For a quarter century, Utah Clean Energy has been the Beehive State’s leading voice on climate, clean energy, and clean air solutions. Our expert team has been at the forefront of groundbreaking policy, regulatory, and programmatic initiatives. From spearheading the state’s first large-scale renewable energy projects to organizing dozens of successful community rooftop solar campaigns to paving the path for efficient, all-electric, carbon-free buildings and clean transportation throughout the state.

Utah Clean Energy has never walked this path alone. We have partnered with individuals, organizations, businesses, and communities to build a brighter and healthier future for Utahns. To you, I say thank you sincerely for sharing our vision and being a part of our journey. Together, we make great things happen—not overnight, but with sustained perseverance, diligence, and commitment to finding common ground.

As a fifth-generation Utahn, I love living, working, and playing here. And I am committed to redoubling our efforts and expanding our partnerships to tackle our toughest challenges, which are interrelated: persistent drought, a diminishing snowpack, a Great Salt Lake in decline, harmful air pollution impacting our health, increasing average temperatures, life-threatening wildfires, and rising costs.

Fortunately, the solutions are equally interconnected, and they are readily available and more cost-effective than ever before. As we make homes and buildings more energy efficient and all-electric, we help reduce energy bills and improve public health. As we build more renewable energy and storage projects, we reduce harmful emissions and conserve precious water resources. As we adopt cleaner modes of transportation, we reduce air pollution and save money at the pump. And when more people join us and support our work, we scale these solutions even faster.

Despite the challenges we face today and, on the horizon, I know that great things are possible when we work together and stay focused on the solutions. Our mission has never been more important, and this team and community are up to the task. As Utah Clean Energy’s new leader and with your support and advocacy, I’m excited to seize the many opportunities before us!

Onwards,
Sara



Sara Baldwin-Griffin
CEO, Utah Clean Energy

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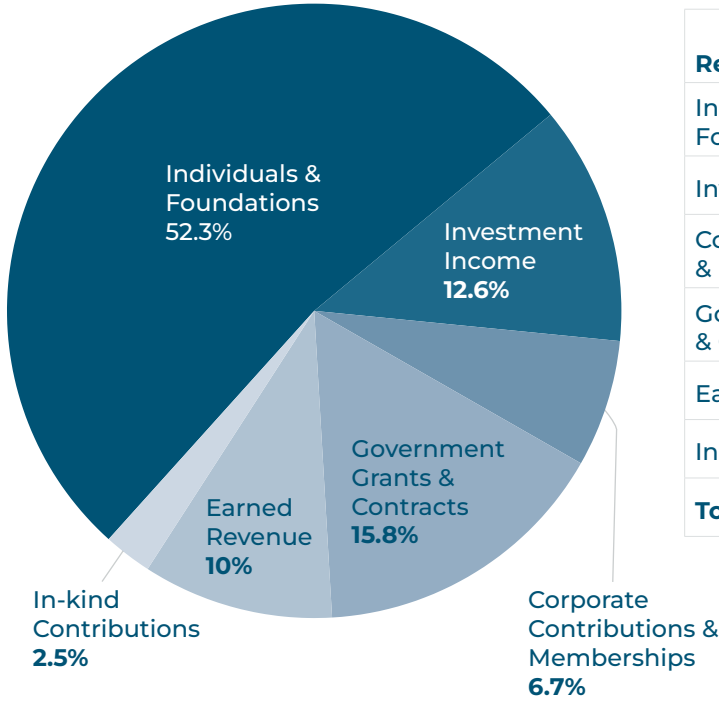
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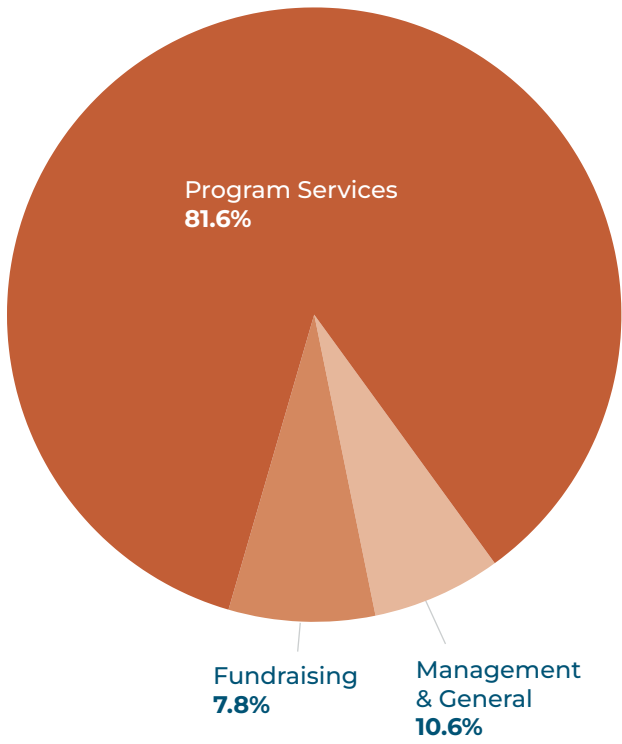
2025 Financials

REVENUE



Revenue	Total	Percentage of Total Revenue
Individuals & Foundations	1,233,591	52.3%
Investment Income	296,893	12.6%
Corporate Contributions & Memberships	157,904	6.7%
Government Grants & Contracts	372,802	15.8%
Earned Revenue	236,959	10.0%
In-kind Contributions	60,053	2.5%
Total	\$2,358,202	100.0%

EXPENSES



Expenses	Total	Percentage of Total Expenses
Management & General	256,006	10.6%
Fundraising	188,235	7.8%
Program Services	1,972,004	81.6%
Total	\$2,416,245	100.0%



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