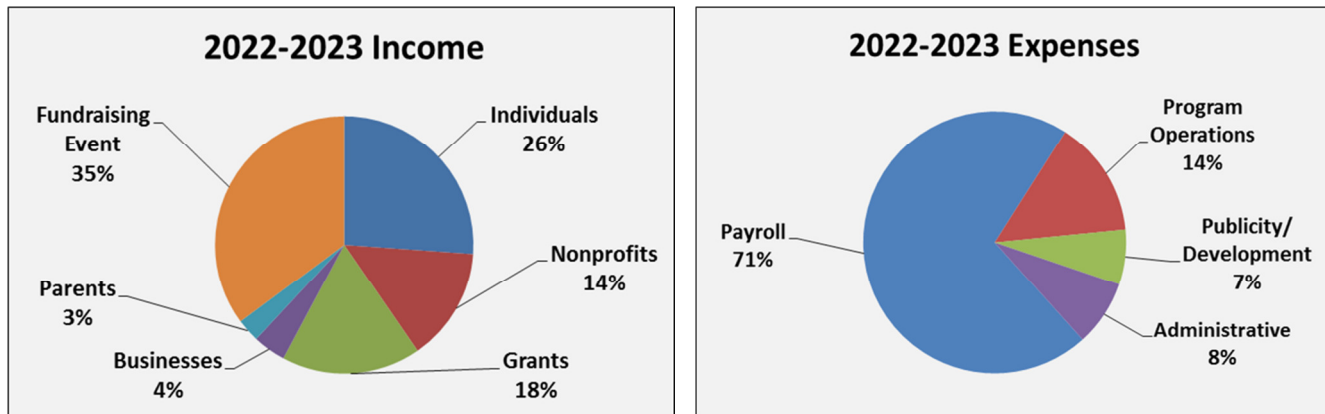




2022-2023 CLASP Year-end Report

Frank D'Emilio, CLASP President

CLASP has finished another school year and thanks to our staff, volunteers, and supporters, we continued to provide needed academic help and positive enrichment experiences for our students. Whether it was online or in person, our students were able to receive one-on-one homework help from a caring adult twice a week. I am pleased to report that we are making plans to increase the number of weeks our students will participate in our program to 30 weeks for the 2023-24 school year! Our working board and committees continued to focus on the essential components of CLASP, including prudent budgeting, strategic training, authentic assessment of our program, and student growth. As a result, all involved have provided students with meaningful experiences to improve academic, social, and emotional growth. In many ways, CLASP is much more than simply a homework help program!



This school year CLASP offered six tutoring sessions at five different sites, each meeting two days a week for 90 minutes each day. Five sessions gathered in person at neighborhood sites that included Claremont Presbyterian Church, Wheeler Park, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, and Sumner/Danbury Elementary School. Two sessions met online via Zoom. On average throughout the year, 75 students participated in CLASP. They were represented by the following demographics: 57% were economically disadvantaged, 22% had no permanent residence, 35% were English Language Learners, and 40% were in special education.

BY THE NUMBERS

- 148** Volunteer tutors (95 community members, 16 college students from The Claremont Colleges and University of La Verne, 37 high school students from Claremont High School and Webb Schools)
- 18** Board of Directors, including representatives from CUSD Board of Education, the City of Claremont and Claremont High School
- 13** Committees that included board members and 12 non-board members from the community
- 2,000+** Volunteer hours by board members and other committee members
- 10,300** Volunteer tutoring hours

Over the past few years, CLASP has come to identify the critical social and emotional needs that our students exhibited as a result of the pandemic. This past year, our Program Support Committee organized numerous enrichment activities to help address these needs. Students made their own mini magazines (Zines) with the help of Tierra de Sol, participated in a holiday party with entertainment by Citrus College's Treble Choir that was funded by Curtain Raisers of The Claremont Colleges, took a trip to the Raymond M. Alf Museum of Paleontology at Webb School, and attended a presentation of *The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley Jr* at the Claremont High School theater to name a few.



In November, we celebrated 17 years of service to CUSD students at our 7th annual Celebrate CLASP. Teddie Warner, one of CLASP's founders, was recognized and honored for her continuous, tireless, and dedicated service to the organization. The party raised over \$64,000 and once again proved to be a successful fundraiser!

This past winter we established the Henry Krieger Continuing Education Award in honor of this longtime tutor and board member. From donations in Hank's memory, we set aside nearly \$15,000, a portion of which is to be used each year to assist a student with future educational plans. In June we awarded \$1,000 to Haley Solis, a former CLASP student, who will be attending Citrus College this fall.



In May, we celebrated our 6th grade students as they prepared to advance to junior high. They were awarded certificates for their participation in CLASP. The students thanked their tutors and shared how CLASP has helped them over the years.

I want to thank our donors and supporters, without whom we would not be able to provide this successful and diverse program. Your generosity allows CLASP to not only continue with our core function of providing homework help to students, but to create and add features to our program that will continue in the years to come.

On behalf of the CLASP Board of Directors, our staff, volunteers, and most importantly, the students we serve, I want to thank the entire Claremont community for the incredible and consistent support it has given to CLASP. We remain committed to providing needed academic, social, and emotional support to our students now and in the future.