













THIS YEAR WE WORKED WITH:

24

SCHOOLS IN UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES

66

ARTISTS & ART

Together, with our network of schools and arts partners, we are advancing a new vision for public education in California.

THROUGH THESE PARTNERSHIPS WE:

REACHED

9,872

SUPPORTED

747

TEACHERS & PRINCIPALS

2,050

HOURS OF COACHING &
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

SUPPORTED

115

FAMILY & COMMUNITY ART EVENTS





IN OUR ANNUAL SURVEY OF TEACHERS,

they reported a positive impact on:

96%

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT 93%

CONFIDENCE, EXPRESSION, AND COLLABORATION 91%

ACADEMIC LEARNING

At a time when California's public schools, teachers, and students are facing mounting challenges, the arts offer promising solutions.

Turnaround Arts: California's unique programming engages teachers as learners themselves. Our professional development and coaching programs help teachers use the arts to better reach and support all students, and bring joy and connection into every classroom.

Whenever we used the arts, student engagement and comprehension improved! I incorporated drama, visual arts, and music into social studies, literacy, and math lessons.

Teacher, Arts in Action Elementary, East Los Angeles

My shyest students really blossomed and gained confidence.

Teacher, Finney Elementary Chula Vista



ART LIT A SPARK IN MY TEACHING THIS YEAR...



I used dance to bring our science unit on penguins to life. Through creative movement, my students learned new vocabulary, explored the penguin life cycle, and acted out behaviors like waddling, sliding on ice, and caring for eggs. It was amazing to see how this approach helped them understand and retain complex science concepts in a joyful way.

One moment that truly surprised me was watching a student who usually struggles with traditional learning take the lead during our movement activities—suddenly, he was confident, engaged, and even helping others.

This experience renewed my own interest in the arts and reminded me how powerful they can be in reaching every learner.



Ms. Adela Saucedo is a First and Second grade teacher at Washington Elementary in Lynwood. This year she participated in Turnaround Arts: California's Lesson Lab program where she was supported to design curriculum that integrated the arts with science.

FINANCIALS

We are deeply grateful for the foundations, corporate and government partners, and the many generous individuals who help to make our work possible. Every gift, including the donation of time, is deeply appreciated and valued.

Revenue: \$1,627,299



- Individuals: \$596,427(37%)
- Foundations: \$507,025 (31%)
- Government: \$191,926 (12%)
- In-Kind Donations: \$182,688 (11%)
- Earned Income: \$132,732 (8%)
- Corporate: \$16,500 (1%)

Expenses: \$1,543,375



- Program: \$1,052,594 (68%)
- Fundraising & Marketing: \$186,430 (20%)
- Administration &
- **Operations:** \$186,430 (12%)

100% goes to impact!

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OUR MISSION

Turnaround Arts: California is a nonprofit organization that harnesses the power of the arts to engage, empower, and transform schools in underserved communities throughout the state.



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