



Annual Report 2024-25

From Our Founder

On behalf of the Malaika team, I want to share my warmest appreciation with our long-time and new supporters. This year, we saw the successful continuation of our hallmark programs: a third cohort of girls graduated from our state-of-the-art K-12 school, a second class of adult graduates from our technical education training program, and continued knowledge sharing with our local communities.

However, what I wanted to especially highlight for you is the exciting recognition that our educators have received. This year:

- Donat, our dedicated IT teacher, proudly represented Malaika at the prestigious Corporate Social Responsibility Forum in Lubumbashi, showcasing our commitment to innovation and community impact
- Mrs. Rebecca, our visionary Special Projects Lead, was honored as a guest speaker by the African Union Diaspora Youth Initiative. She delivered an inspiring presentation on Malaika's transformative journey in educating and empowering girls, further solidifying our reputation as a leader in girls' education and empowerment

Empowering our girls means celebrating and supporting their communities - including their community of educators. We hope you'll enjoy and share this report in celebration of their tireless and impactful work!

Sincerely,



Noëlla Coursaris Musunka
Founder and CEO, Malaika



Mission Statement

Malaika's mission is to empower girls and their communities to reach their full potential through education and local community transformation. We do this by providing free education, clean water, vocational, agricultural, athletic, and health programs

Vision Statement

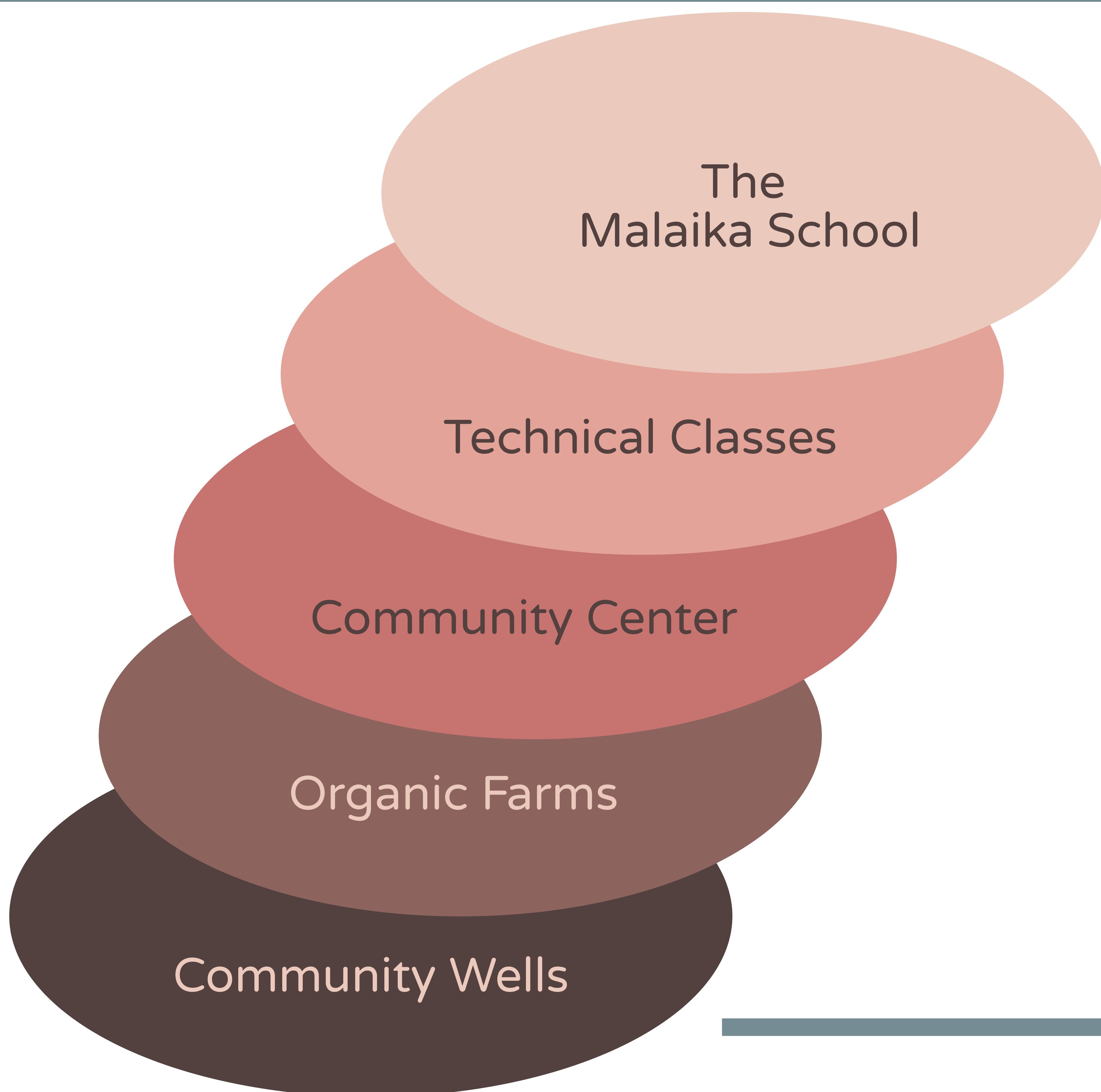
We dream of a future where all community members can access quality education and reach their full potential in all aspects of life. A future where they are flourishing as individuals, leaders, and change-makers within their communities

Our Ecosystem Approach



Care for community is a core tenet of our ecosystem approach. We know that supporting girls education includes supporting the well-being of their broader support networks.

We call this Malaika's Ecosystem Model.



The Malaika School



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The Malaika School provides a state-of-the-art education for girls in Kalebuka across a diverse range of subjects. On any given day this past year, you might've seen our students planting trees as a part of their environmental studies, meeting with local women entrepreneurs, celebrating International Women's Day, or graduating! Some especially exciting parts of this year included:

- 7 girls winning the First Lego Robotic competition in the Haut Katanga province and second place in the country
- 4 girls participating in the U17 football National Team



- A Malaika Community Service Day where our students and alumni visited surrounding communities

We were also honored this year to be chosen by UNICEF as a school to accommodate the training of girls and UN leaders on human rights.

20

Malaika students who were accepted into universities

9

Malaika student athletes called up to the women's national soccer team for the African interschool tournament in Ghana

Technical Classes



Technical Classes



In partnership with the Caterpillar Foundation, Congo Equipment, and Dalberg, we provide free, comprehensive, and locally-led vocational training. Our goal is to bring economic opportunity to the Kalebuka community, and to see our skilled trainees find local internships and jobs.

This year, we saw the steady growth of this newest part of our Malaika programming and the inauguration of two new buildings. We enrolled new adult students in our technical classes and launched new course offerings.

Other major highlights from 2024-2025:

- We offered trainings on career choice and social media. Our mechanical students participated in a 4-day internship with Congo Equipment
- With support from Assist International, the instructors of our technical classes received training at Cité des Jeunes, a professional development training center in Lubumbashi



500+

students enrolled in new vocational classes

66

technical studies celebrated for graduation

Community Center



Community Center



Our Community Center provides year-round programs for the wider community. Our center services many different populations within our communities, from out-of-school youth to adults seeking to learn new skills in programs ranging from literacy to Information Technology to sewing.

This year, our center was thrilled to host and participate in the Congo River Marathon on our campus. We also hosted exciting events such as the celebration of Sport for Peace and Development Day, Sanitation Day, and the Day of the Fight Against Global Warming. Our catering students were able to visit a private hospital to learn about the application of their skills in different institutions. Additionally:

- Our Community Center's Dance Team won first place at the Jeux Salesiens competition
- We had a special visit from footballer Sambi Lokonga
- We were able to link our carpentry students with internships at a local training center



270+

students participated in the launch of Street Child United activities

800+

community members celebrated Women's Day at the Center

Organic Farms



Organic Farms



The land where our campus sits is a source of nourishment and education.

Our community sustains a farm that provides nutritious meals while deepening our understanding of the environment and its care.

189,388

meals served this
year to 419 students



Water & Health



Water and Health



Our commitment to supporting our students is a commitment to supporting the health of their communities. Because of this, water and health security for the local area are core to our mission.

Additional initiatives include community outreach activities, health education, and providing free sanitary products for our students.

We aim to break down the everyday stigma surrounding female health so that girls remain in school when they start getting their period.



32

wells and pumps serving the families and neighbors of our students

47k+

community members served by this well system



Our Year in Events

UK- Cena Conference // EEF Annual Gathering Barcelona // EY Strategic Growth Forum Caribbean 2024 // Francis Holland Regent's Park Hale Lecture Series



EY World Entrepreneur Of The Year 2024 Monaco // Cheltenham Ladies College // London Stock Exchange // Berlin Fundraiser // Malaika Graduation

Greentech Festival In London // UNGA 2024 - Agents of Change Award Winner at The Global Partnerships Forum // Fashion Session at the UN SDG Lounge // Harnessing Our Collective Power

KEYNOTE

Opening Keynote

Join us as we kick off Black History Month with our keynote speakers, hip-hop star and actress **Eve Jeffers-Cooper**, and the founder of Malaika **Noëlla Coursaris Musunka**

1 Oct | 4pm BST | In-Person & Virtual | Ohana Floor



Corporate Social Responsibility Forum in Lubumbashi // African Union Diaspora Youth Initiative // To Get There 2024 Humanitarian Award in Milan // Salesforce BOLDForce Talk with Eve // FII8 Saudi Arabia panelist

Fearless podcast // Presented at Gousto Headquarters // Presented at the Dean Close School in Cheltenham // Malaika x Attivo // Presented at the Raisina Young Fellows Program in India with students



Meet Students in the Class of 2025



The Malaika Team

SCHOOL

Sylvain Koj
Achille Kabongo
Alain Mbayo Kadiata
Bavon Musabila Ngeleka
Benjamin Yumba
Donat Tshisuaka Mukendi
Eric Kabamba
Augustin Mufunga
Eugenie Mwape
Jacques Kubadilwa
Jean de Dieu Musenge
Judith N'tensya Kalonda
Maguy Safi Makanda
Moise Lumbala
Natacha Mosakwa Bayindo
Odette Tshilemb
Rebecca Mbayo
Rigobert Kisontwe
Sebastien Samudinda Ngwej
Therese Mabaka
Hubert Mufot
Pierre Moma
Stephanie Mulunda
Gaudé Binsoko
Cynthia Umba
Aubin Yumba
Charlotte Machozi
Adrien Ngoy Mwenda
Benjamin Masengo
Nissi Nsenga Mukadi
Vivianne Besa Muntandwe
John Masengo Ngoy
Nkulu Ngoie Daniel
Gloire Malaji Shindola

COMMUNITY CENTER

Sarah Kalumba
Divina Kalenga
Ildephonse Kangela
Strong Mpiana
Genevieve Kindele Kalenga
Umba Gerard
Mwenze Mukanda Eddy
Clancy Mwenze
Kamwabu Kayembe Smith
Violaine Muswamba
Joelle Kalobe Ngolwa
Ghislaine Kujirabwinja
Patricia Banguna
Hyacinthe Kaseya
Jonathan Ilunga
Fulgence Kilaka
Chabrey Nyengele
Alain Lukusa
Marcel Kitoko
Russell Kisimba



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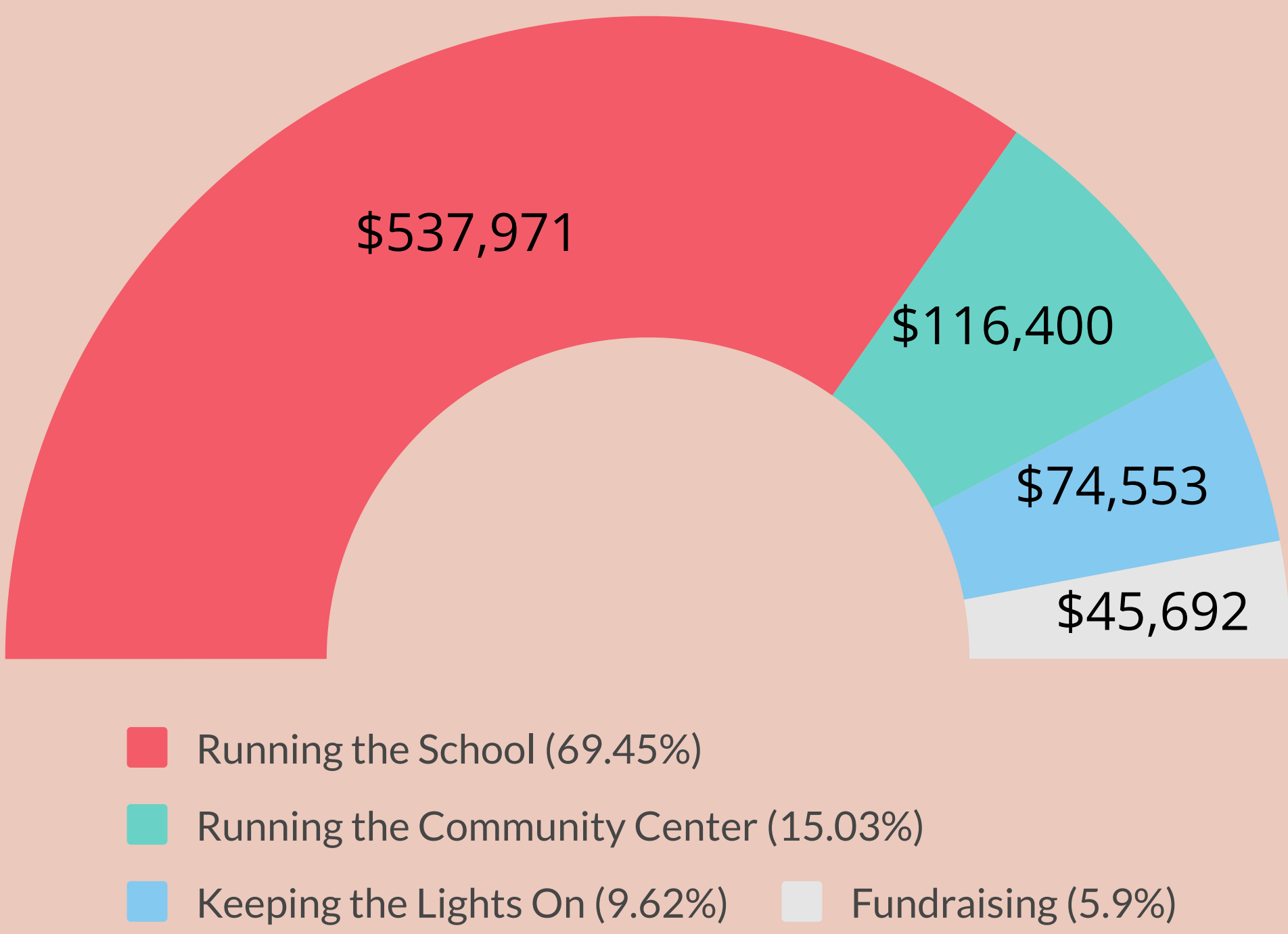
Dominique Kalembe
Tshovu Patrick
Sandrine Longolongo
Sebastien Kikunguru Kembele
Félicien Lwamba Baruani
Adrille Kibombe Kisula
Bernadette Kapeshe
Henriette Mbuyu
Aimerance Kunong Kadiat
Veronique Ngandwe
Frodeciane Ilunga
Kabeya Jean Claude
Amani Nimuboma Diomède
Kalenga Wilson
Tshanda Martin
Jacques Kushinga Kanda Tshipema

GLOBAL

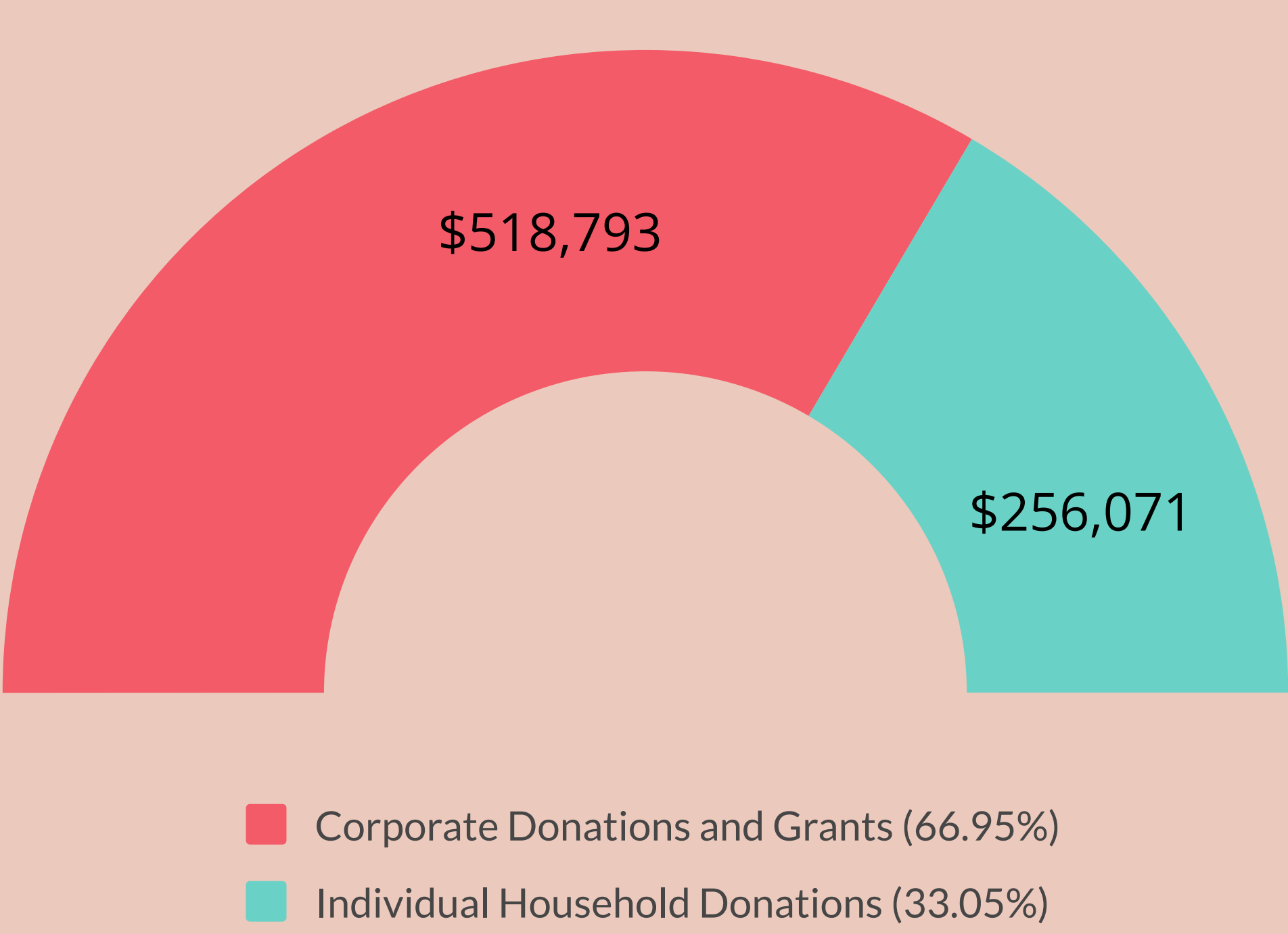
Alexia Tizzano
Jaime Thomas
Louise Pineau
Marta Reed
Salima Etoka

Our Financials

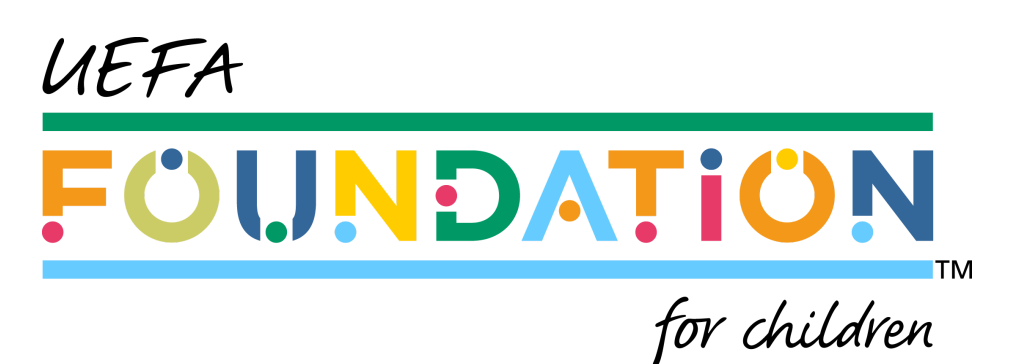
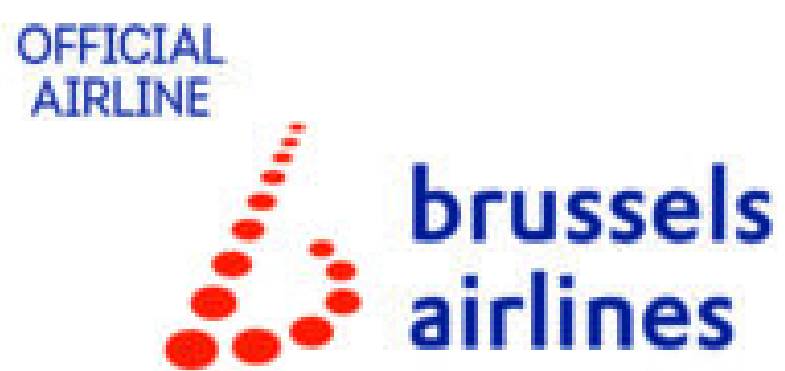
Our Expenses



Our Funding Sources



Our Donors



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