Resurrection Lutheran School
Annual Fund FAQ

What is the Annual Fund?

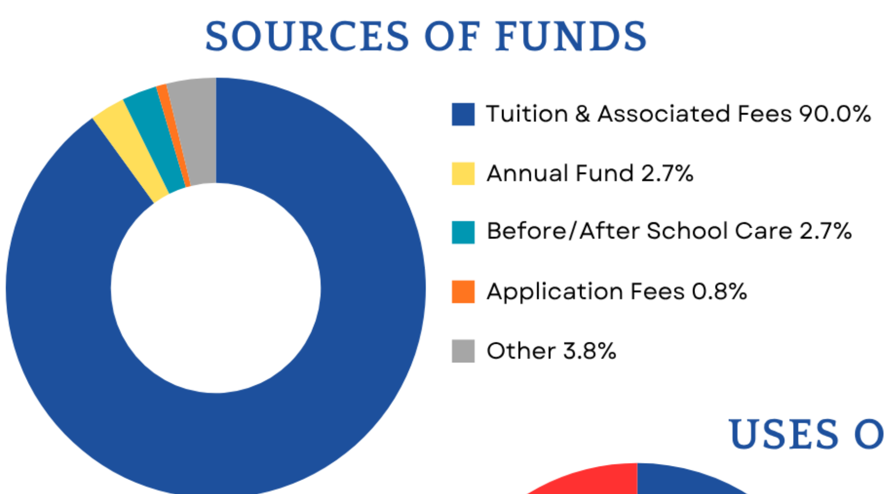
The Annual Fund is RLS's primary fundraising initiative that helps bridge the gap between tuition and the actual cost of educating a student. This is similar to how most, if not all, private schools operate across the nation. Unlike tuition, gifts to the Annual Fund are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.

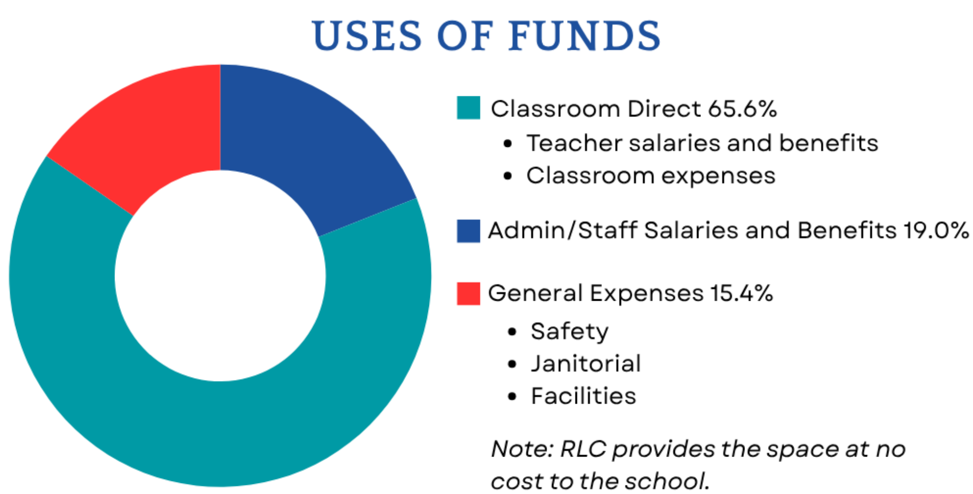
How are Annual Fund donations used?

In addition to supplementing RLS's operating budget, gifts to the 2025-2026 Annual Fund will play an especially vital role by supporting three priorities:

- *Campus Safety* → Covering the cost of our on-campus police officer and strengthening safety protocols.
- *Graceful Growth* → Hiring and equipping new faculty, furnishing classrooms, and supporting record enrollment.
- *Academic Excellence* → Expanding curriculum and resources as we move toward STEM School of Distinction recognition.

Financial Summary of Sources and Uses of Funds:





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Does my gift really have an impact?

Absolutely! Every gift—whether $25, $250, or $2,500—helps us keep tuition as low as possible, which benefits all students. We ask that every family gives generously but we know that it will look different for every household. What matters most is not the amount but that *every family gives*.

Why is 100% participation important?

We strive for 100% participation because it shows our children and our community that we are united in our mission. In addition, high participation rates appeal to outside donors, foundations, and potential sponsors, which increases our case for their support. Any gift to the Annual Fund helps the greater good and exemplifies *community*.

Who can donate?

Parents, grandparents, alumni, school leadership, teachers and staff, church members, and any friends who wish to support a worthy cause are encouraged to participate. Donations can be made on behalf of individuals, foundations, or businesses. Don't be afraid to share our donation link with friends and family and *remember to check for employer matching programs*.

What types of gifts are accepted?

The most common ways to give include checks, credit cards, and bank drafts. Bank drafts (one-time or monthly) are particularly beneficial as they are fee-free for both parties. Additional options include gifts of appreciated securities, employer matching gift programs, and planned giving (wills, trusts & annuities, and life insurance & retirement plans). Visit www.rlscary.org/about/giving for more information.

Is there a deadline?

There is no deadline, and gifts are graciously accepted at any time of year. However, receipt of gifts by GivingTuesday (traditionally the Tuesday following Thanksgiving) is helpful for budgeting purposes. All donors will receive an email receipt for tax purposes.

Additional questions?

Please contact finance@rlscary.org with any additional questions.

Thank you for supporting the Annual Fund!