# IMPACT REPORT

## 2024-2025

LEYSIN AMERICAN SCHOOL IN SWITZERLAND




# Welcome

**Dear LAS Community,**

As 2025 draws to a close, we find ourselves reflecting with immense gratitude on another extraordinary year at Leysin American School — one made possible by the generosity and engagement of our Global Family. Whether you joined us at events around the world, contributed to the Impact Fund, or shared your time with our students, your support continues to shape the LAS experience.

We are delighted to share with you the LAS Impact Report for 2024–2025, a celebration of the programs and projects that bring our mission to life each day. From our vibrant residential community and incredible extracurriculars to hands-on learning experiences and cultural adventures across Switzerland and beyond, LAS remains a place where students grow, explore, and connect across cultures.

This year, the Impact Fund supported an even broader range of initiatives, enriching campus life and advancing creativity, innovation, and student well-being. Our Senior Gift program also continued to flourish, with the Class of 2025 leaving its mark through a project that will benefit generations of LAS students to come.

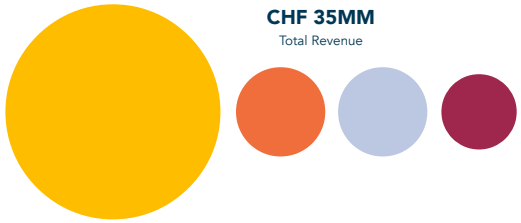
To our staff, who make LAS such a dynamic and caring community; to our families, whose trust and commitment sustain our mission; and to our alums, who carry the LAS spirit around the world — thank you! Your belief in what we stand for keeps LAS thriving and ensures that our students continue to experience a truly transformative education.

With appreciation,
**Michelle Turner**
DIRECTOR OF INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT

# BUDGET & FINANCIAL AID

## Where the money goes

In 2024-2025, we had an overall school revenue of **CHF 35,380,000**




### PERCENTAGE OF EXPENSE

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| Salaries and benefits | 53% |
| Student experience (academics, student and residential life, food service, transportation) | 17% |
| Operations (tax, amortization, summer, external relations, overhead) | 17% |
| Facilities and physical plant | 13% |

## Financial Aid and Scholarships

**CHF 4,358,380 FINANCIAL AID**

The LAS Global Scholars Program is a fully funded two-year International Baccalaureate scholarship awarded to outstanding students from around the world. These scholarships are both merit-based and means-assessed, offered to young people who demonstrate exceptional academic achievement, leadership, and character in their home countries, yet would otherwise be unable to access an LAS education.

As a philanthropic institution, Leysin American School is committed to making world-class education accessible to deserving students, regardless of their financial means. Our Global Scholars embody the LAS mission of developing innovative, compassionate, and responsible citizens of the world. By welcoming these exceptional individuals into our diverse international community, we provide them with the opportunity to thrive in the Swiss Alps while preparing for higher education and meaningful global impact.

Our scholarships and financial aid allow us to break down barriers and open doors, making it possible for talented individuals to pursue their dreams, achieve their full potential, and contribute to a brighter future for themselves and society as a whole. We understand that investing in education is an investment in a better, more equitable world, and we are dedicated to making that vision a reality.

| TOTAL GIFTS | 2024-2025 |
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| (incl. one-time donors and installments made by our regular donors) | 253 |
| **Total Revenue** (incl. pledges, one time and monthly giving) | CHF 309,903 |
| ° One-time gifts total | CHF 194,938 |
| ° Recurring gifts total | CHF 14,965 |
| **Faculty Donations** (incl. 69% of faculty and 100% of the Leadership Team) | 76 |
| **Philanthropy in the LAS Community** | CHF 25,176 |
| ° Sethule Orphan's Trust in Zimbabwe | |
| ° Olive Tree Learning Center in Zambia | |
| ° Médecins Sans Frontières | |
| ° St. Agnes Refugee Center (Leysin) | |
| ° St. Jude's Children's Hospital | |
| ° Protect Our Winters (POW) | |
| ° Donation in-kind (computers) to alumni-run library (Kenya) | |

# TESTIMONIALS

## How your money makes an impact

**Marcela & Andres Yarte** *P'19, '20, '25*
(LAS ALUMNI PARENTS)

As the parents of three young men who have studied and graduated from LAS over the past 10 years (the last graduating with the Class of 2025), we have just completed a meaningful chapter with the school. Now, as part of the LAS Global Family, we are entering a new stage—one of giving back to help others.



Contributing to the LAS Impact Fund is our way of expressing deep gratitude for the lasting and positive influence LAS has had on our entire family. It is important to us that other families, regardless of financial circumstances, have the opportunity to experience what we have been so fortunate to enjoy. Supporting the Impact Fund allows us to help make the LAS experience accessible to more students, and that is something we feel truly proud to be part of.

**Peggy Love** *'66*
(LAS ALUM)

The summer before my senior year, my parents made a decision that changed my life and framed my future—I was



going to LAS for my final year of high school. It was 1965 and the school was still very young. Most of us at that time were American kids whose families were living in many different countries and we were experiencing language and cultural differences together every day. My LAS experience became the basis for my professional career: assisting employees and their families in global transitions.

Having attended two high schools and three universities, it is hard to decide which schools to support. But my choice is simple: my choice is LAS. My hope is that all families can provide for their children the same life-changing experiences that I had.

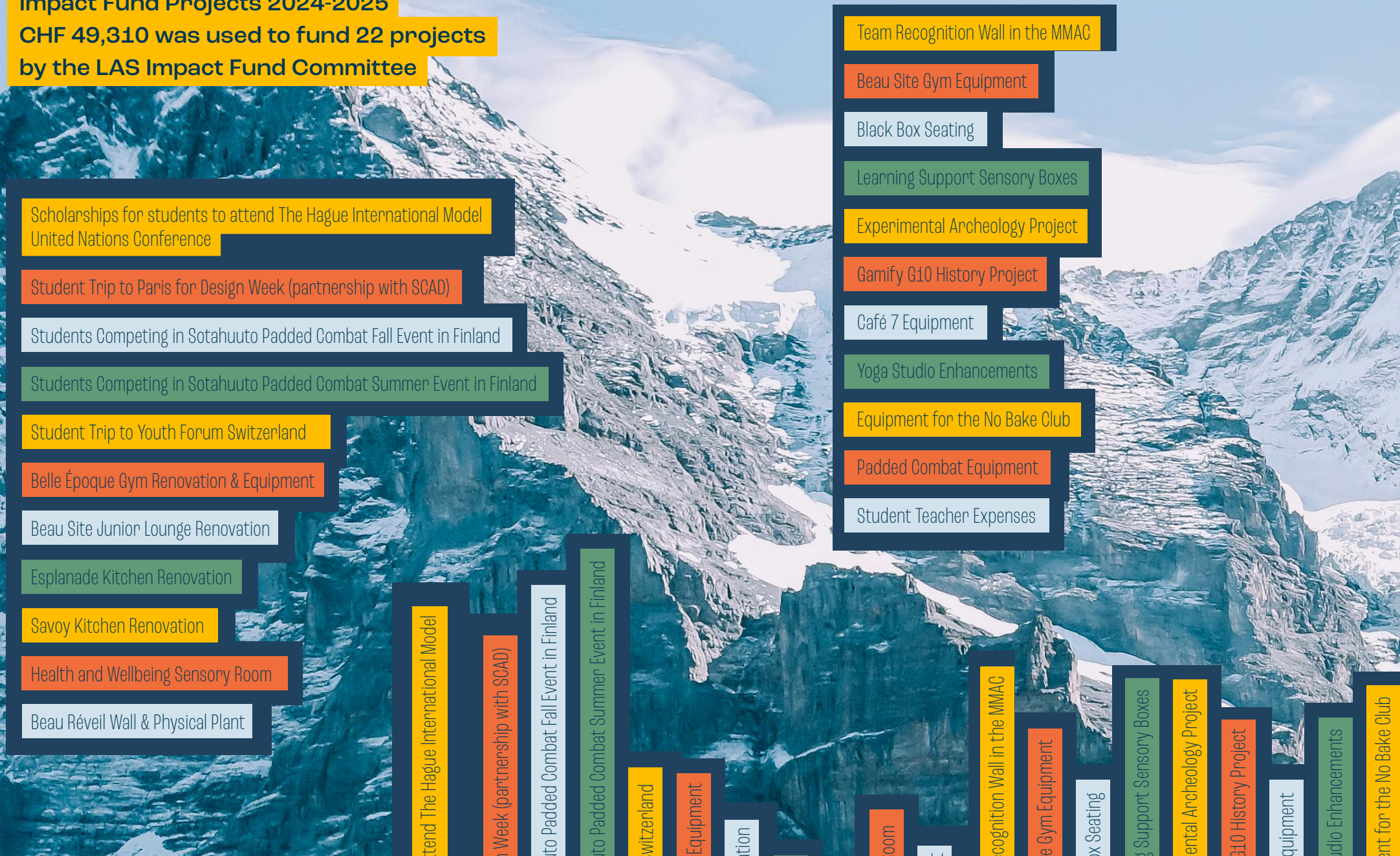


**Alex Flynn-Padick & Kristin Maurer**
(LAS FACULTY)

Growing up, our families taught us the value of giving back and that's a principle we've always shared. Together, we support the LAS Impact Fund because we see its incredible reach. Each year, LAS community members (students, teachers, staff, and even students) can apply for an Impact Fund grant with ideas for how to improve our school. As teachers, we see the projects in action—from increased support for our neurodiverse students to scholarships that allow students to pursue learning opportunities outside the classroom. The impact is undeniable. Students who benefit from Impact Fund Projects return to the classroom more engaged, happier, and inspired to "pay it forward." Through our support of the Impact Fund, we hope to live the LAS mission statement and foster a lifelong sense of generosity in our students.

# IMPACT FUND

**Impact Fund Projects 2024-2025**
**CHF 49,310 was used to fund 22 projects by the LAS Impact Fund Committee**




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February 6-8
HOMECOMING
June 26-27
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