



2010

15 YEARS OF IMPACT

2025

2025 | IMPACT REPORT



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[+] INTO THE FUTURE



Imran Khan
Co-Founder | Former CEO



Amanda Long
ED & Interim CEO



Fifteen years ago, Embarc began as a bold idea: every young person in Chicago deserves access to experiences that help them see, feel, and know their own potential. What started as a small program rooted in belief and possibility has grown into a citywide movement transforming how schools, teachers, and communities think about education.

Under the leadership of co-founder and former CEO Imran Khan, Embarc built a powerful foundation of innovation and impact—demonstrating that when students connect learning to real experiences, they discover confidence, purpose, and opportunity. Through Amanda's steadfast leadership as Executive Director and Interim CEO, Embarc remained deeply connected and student-centered, sustaining our mission and community through a time of transition and possibility. Thanks to your partnership, that vision has become a proven model for educational equity and belonging across Chicago.

Now, under the direction of our new CEO, Michael Mullarkey, Embarc is entering an exciting new chapter—one focused on expanding our reach to serve even more students, equip more teachers, and bring our transformative approach to schools and communities nationwide.

Your continued support makes this growth possible. Together, we are creating pathways of possibility, joy, and connection for thousands of young people—helping them see themselves as capable, confident, and full of promise.

You are the heart of this movement. Every classroom transformed, every experience shared, and every future opened begins with your belief in what's possible. Thank you for standing with us as we build on our strong foundation and reach even greater heights—together.



Michael Mullarkey
New CEO



Lynn Jerath
Board Chair



OUR MISSION

to cultivate postsecondary success by inspiring students to build their social capital, stretch the boundaries of their neighborhood, alter their world view, and seize opportunities in school and life.

SINCE 2010

29 SCHOOLS IMPACTED

4,200+ EDUCATORS SUPPORTED

14,000 STUDENTS INSPIRED



LAST SCHOOL YEAR 24-25



17 SCHOOLS

400+ EDUCATORS

4,000 STUDENTS

Contact us today at embarc@embarcchicago.org
to learn more about our programming.

Bogan Computer Technical High School
Bowen High School
Chicago Academy High School
Chicago Tech Academy
Roberto Clemente Community Academy
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Orr Academy High School
Sarah E. Goode STEM Academy
Simeon Career Academy
Simpson Academy for Young Women
Sullivan High School
Tilden High School
Uplift Community STEAM High School
Westinghouse College Prep High School



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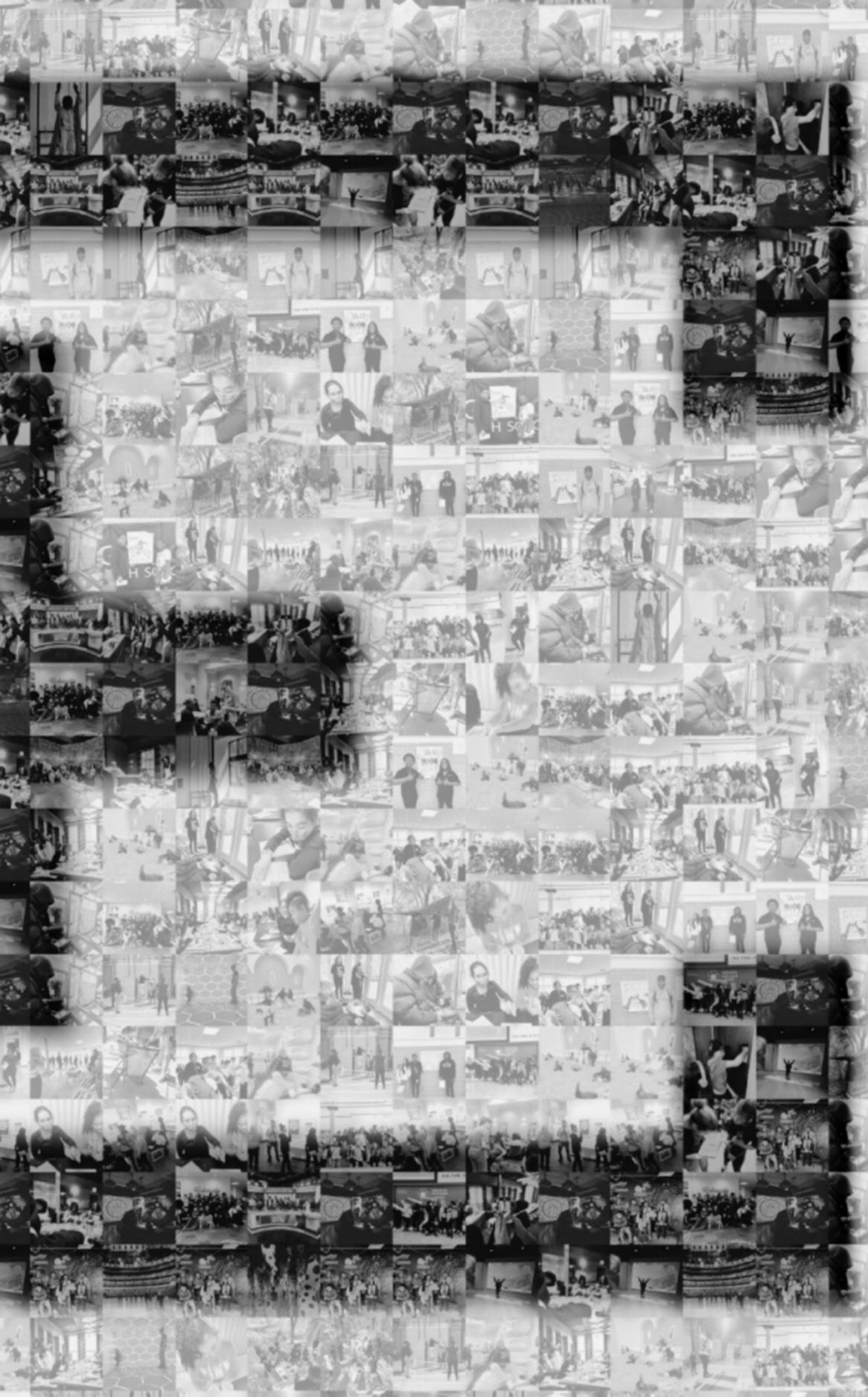
SINCE 2010

- ○ ○ **80,000 EXPERIENCES IMPLEMENTED**
- ○ ○ **500+ PARTNER COLLABORATIONS**
- ○ ○ **30,000+ SUPPORT HOURS EXECUTED**

LAST SCHOOL YEAR 24-25

- ○ ○ ○ ○ **10,344 TOTAL EXPERIENCES**
- ○ ○ ○ ○ **88 EXPERIENCE PARTNERS**
- ○ ○ ○ ○ **3,700+ PD & COACHING HOURS**





SPECIAL THANK YOU EXPERIENCE PARTNERS



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Chicago Architecture Center
Chicago Blackhawks
Chicago Green Ambassadors
Chicago History Museum
Chicago Public Library
Chicago Region Tree Initiative

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Lincoln Park Zoo
Maggie Daley Park
Mobile Makers Chicago
Momotaro
Movement Gym
MSI: Innovation Studio
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Museum of Ice Cream
Music Box Theatre
National Museum of Mexican Art
Nature's Trail Yoga
Naveen's Cuisine
Old Town School of Folk Music
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Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum
Plant Chicago
Playmakers Laboratory
Rebuilding Exchange
Richardson Adventure Farm
Robert Crown Ice Rink
Safe Humane Chicago at CACC

Scratch Goods
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Shedd Aquarium
Solberg Manufacturing
Southside Blooms
Southwest Organizing Project
STEAM and Dream
Steppenwolf Theater
Studio W.I.P.
TGi Movement
The Escape Game
The Field Museum
The Forge
The Gray Matter Experience
The Hatchery
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“ Being an Embarc student presented me with a type of motivation that I couldn't put into words. It has been a journey in and of itself, and if I had to retake high school at any point, Embarc would be the first thing I looked for. ”

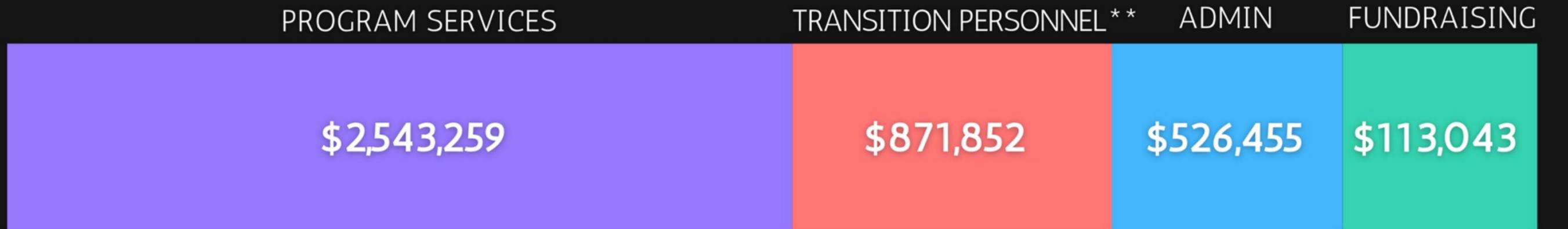
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BY THE NUMBERS

REVENUE ○○○○○○ \$3,899,801



*PROGRAM FEES, INTEREST, SPECIAL EVENTS (NET)



**EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH TRANSITION OF FOUNDER, CEO, INTERIM CEO & CDO

\$4,054,609 ○○○○○○ **EXPENSES**

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“Being an Embarc student helped me grow in many ways. I learned how to step out of my comfort zone, speak up, and work with people from different backgrounds.”

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