

Tree Davis

2025 ANNUAL REPORT



PLANTING TREES, GROWING COMMUNITY

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S STATEMENT

2025 was a pivotal year for Tree Davis. As with many mission-driven organizations, we experienced leadership transition that invited reflection, renewed focus, and thoughtful engagement from our board and staff. Through it all, our commitment to planting trees and growing community never wavered.

This year marked an important evolution in our approach - we formally integrated public education into every tree planting and care event. By pairing hands-on experience with accessible, on-site learning, we ensured that each tree planted was also an opportunity to deepen community understanding of the critical ecological, economic and social benefits of urban forestry.

We also completed the tree planting component of the CAL FIRE funded "Climate Ready Urban Forestry Education" grant. Over the life of this initiative, we expanded environmental literacy, strengthened partnerships throughout Yolo County, and equipped young people with tools to steward trees in a changing climate. As the grant sunsets, we carry forward the lessons learned into our ongoing programming.

2025 saw significant progress in the Cool Schools Yolo project. We continued tree planting efforts while preparing for the next phase of site development and construction, laying the groundwork for greener spaces for students in Woodland and West Sacramento.

Our board grew and changed this year. We were so fortunate to welcome three new board members with varied experiences. Anya McCann, Andrew Newman and Carol Hillhouse, all long time residents of Davis.

While transition can be challenging, it can also be clarifying. In 2025, Tree Davis emerged more focused, more collaborative, and deeply committed to the long-term health of our urban forest and our community.

Yael Franco

Executive Director

2025 PROGRAM ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Tree Davis Impact in 2025	
Trees Planted	633
Community Events Held	20
Volunteers Engaged	500+

Tree Activities in 2025	
Trees Watered	3,285
Trees Mulched	1,464
Trees Weeded	1,271
Trees Pruned	169
Stakes Adjusted/ Removed	186



City of Davis

In 2025, Tree Davis strengthened its partnership with the City of Davis, making further progress to reach the Urban Forest Management Plan of “no net loss”, and replace every tree removed.

In 2025, Tree Davis planted 175 trees street trees, and 6 meaningful tribute trees. These trees were planted in partnership with individual residents, community groups, student groups and neighborhood groups.

Tree Davis staff and volunteers continue to work diligently to give proper maintenance to newly planted trees for their first five years - watering regularly, weeding away competing vegetation, adding layers of mulch, and periodic pruning. We are so grateful to our 30+ year partnership with the City of Davis Urban Forestry Department.

Climate-Ready Education

In 2025, Tree Davis completed the final tree plantings for The Climate-Ready Urban Forestry Education program. This CAL FIRE funded provided high school students from Yolo County in-class lessons and real world experience of an array of topics related to urban forestry including exploring the various benefits of urban forests, Climate-Ready Trees, environmental justice, civic engagement and more. Each school cohort culminated with a tree planting on their school campus, or in a nearby public space. Overall, Tree Davis staff engaged with ~40 students in 2025, and planted 52 trees on school campuses, in parks and along streets with the students.



CRUFE Students from DaVinci High School

Cool Schools Yolo

In 2025, the Cool Schools Yolo program celebrated its first round of tree plantings across campuses in West Sacramento and Woodland. With help from partners, Tree Davis planted 356 new trees across all nine school sites with the support of dedicated volunteers. Although construction for the remaining project elements has been deferred to 2026, these initial plantings have already generated strong enthusiasm among students, staff, and the broader community. The newly planted trees represent an important first step toward creating more resilient school environments, while building momentum for the full scope of campus improvements to come.

2025/2026 College Corps Fellows



College Corps Program

Through 2025, Tree Davis hosted two cohorts of seven undergraduate College Corps Fellows during the 2024–2025 academic year. These students gained valuable hands-on experience working within a community-based organization. As Tree Davis Fellows, they developed practical skills in planting and caring for trees while building meaningful, real-world work experience.

Legacy Celebration

On November 2nd, 2025, Tree Davis hosted the fifth annual Legacy Celebration, our largest yet, at the Tree Davis Memorial Grove in West Davis. Nearly 100 community members attended the event to honor and celebrate eight individuals and organizations for their outstanding contributions to the community. The event also featured eight local organizations hosting informational tables, sharing resources and connecting attendees with their important environmental work.



Ann Daniel (TD board President) with attendees



From Left to Right: Yael Franco (Executive Director), David Robinson (Community Tree Hero Award Recipient) and Emily Griswold (TD Board Member)



UC Davis Hermanas Unidas, Student Group Award



Educational Display

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

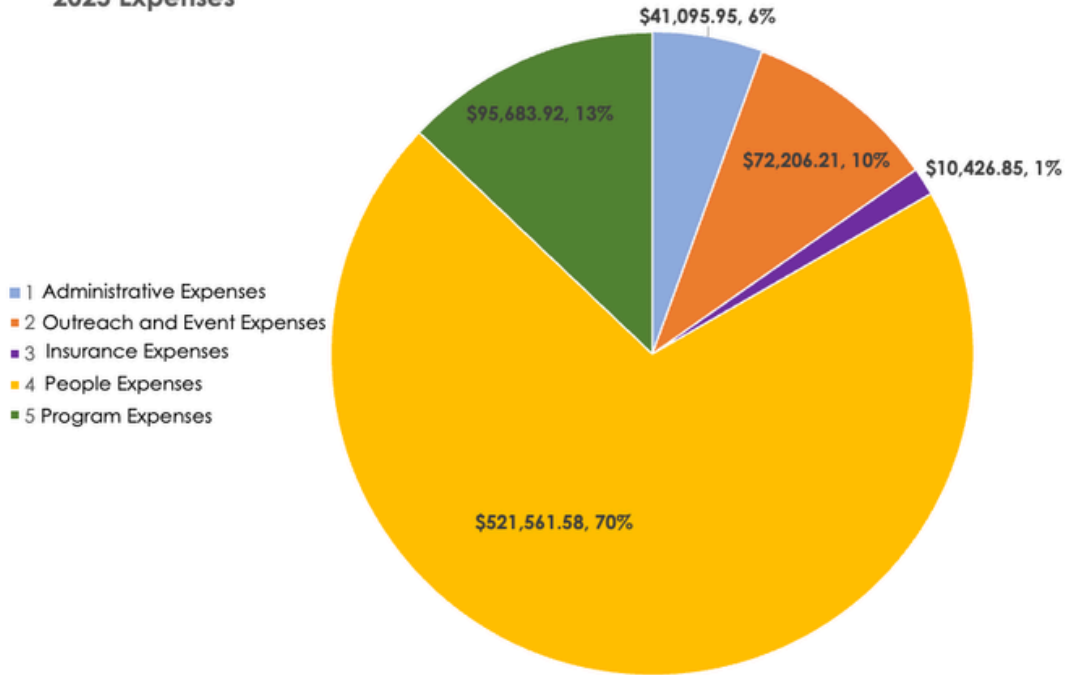
2025 was a transformational financial year for Tree Davis, marked by substantial revenue growth. Tree Davis reported much higher total revenue in 2025 than in previous years, mostly due to funds derived from large grants. This funding enabled Tree Davis to significantly scale its reach and related programming. Personnel expenses represented the largest portion of expenditures, reflecting the labor-intensive nature of community forestry work. Staff capacity remains central to Tree Davis' ability to coordinate volunteer programs, manage tree planting initiatives, and maintain stewardship activities.

The organization finished the year with \$15,048.33 in net revenue, reversing a deficit from the prior year. However, with two grant programs ending in 2026, and urban greening funding declining across the non-profit landscape, Tree Davis anticipates a changing funding environment in 2026, and will need to adjust accordingly. Moving forward, the organization will focus on maintaining financial stability while adapting to this transition. This will include working towards diversified funding sources, strengthening donor support, and aligning program capacity with available resources.



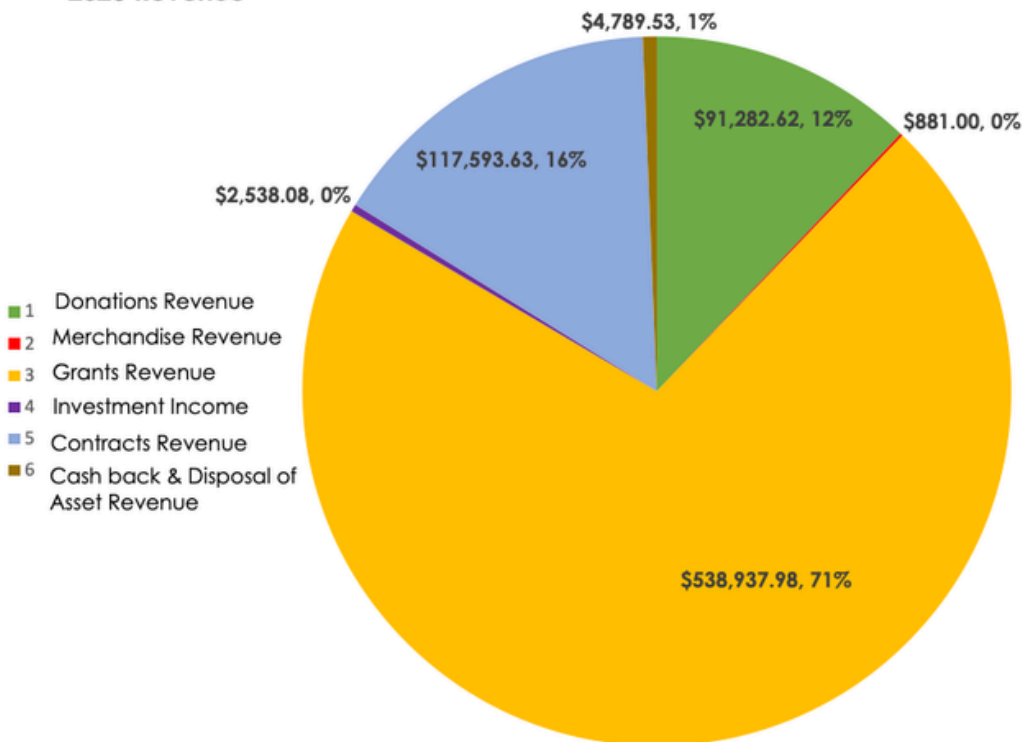
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2025 Expenses



Expenses Total - \$740,974.51

2025 Revenue



Revenue Total - \$756,022.84

2025 DONORS

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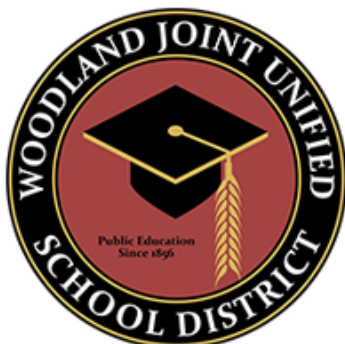
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