



ANNUAL REPORT
2022-2023 & 2023-2024

50 YEARS OF TRANSFORMATIVE EDUCATION



Message from the CEO & Board Chair

Dear Friends and Supporters,

This past year marked a historic milestone—50 years of transformative education at Carlos Rosario School. While our official anniversary coincided with the challenges of the pandemic, this year offered a long-awaited opportunity to celebrate our legacy in grand style. More importantly, it was a moment to reflect on the profound impact our school community has made over five decades.

At the heart of our success are the remarkable adult learners we serve. Their resilience, determination, and pursuit of opportunity continue to inspire us daily. Equally essential is the unwavering support from you—our allies, friends, and partners—who have championed our mission at every step.

Together, we celebrated *en comunidad*, embracing the spirit of Carlos Rosario School. Throughout the year, we reunited students, alumni, staff, our founder, the Board of Trustees, and the broader community through special events. We shared the powerful stories of alumni like Pedro, Hypolite, and Bersabe—stories that illustrate the transformative power of education. Students collaborated to create photo collages spanning five decades of memories, now proudly displayed in our halls.

One of the most inspiring moments of the year was our Achieving the Dream Gala, where we raised over \$350,000 to support scholarships and essential student services. Thanks to your generosity, we surpassed our ambitious goal, securing over \$1 million to amplify our impact.

Chef Bersabe enrolled at the Carlos Rosario School in our GED in Spanish class, then attended ESL classes and the Culinary Arts Training program. Recently, she got a promotion to Executive Sous Chef in her Michelin Star restaurant El Cielo Washington D.C.



Your Generosity is Already Transforming Lives

- Over \$856,000 was invested in Chromebooks and internet access, ensuring students can fully engage in their education, whether in classrooms or at home.
- Awarded 115 Achieving the Dream scholarships, providing critical financial support for learners continuing their education. These scholarships, along with expanded long-term support, are helping alumni navigate college and career pathways. A number of recipients are now pursuing degrees at institutions like Georgetown University and master's programs in fields such as accounting and cybersecurity.
- More than \$7,100 in emergency funds helped students remain in school despite unexpected hardships.
- Our impact now reaches beyond D.C., supporting dozens of learners from Maryland and Virginia through citizenship preparation and small business training programs.
- Through partnerships with industry leaders like Google, we are pioneering innovative programs such as the Digital Navigator initiative, where IT graduates help onboard new students—creating a sustainable cycle of support.

As we continue the 2024-2025 school year with over 2,100 learners from 78 countries, our commitment remains steadfast: to pave wide and accessible pathways to opportunity. The momentum from our 50th anniversary continues to propel us forward, ensuring that more learners have access to transformative education and career pathways.

Thank you for being part of our journey. Together, we will continue to empower learners, strengthen communities, and build a brighter future.

In service,



Allison R. Kokkoros
CEO



Hector J. Torres
Board Chair



**Vladimir just achieved
a Bachelor of Science in
Cybersecurity, graduating
Magna Cum Laude from
the University of Maryland
Global Campus.**

2 YEARS *at a glance*

4,090 students

115 Scholarship Winners

\$190,926 in scholarship funds awarded

2,528 Internet-enabled devices
distributed to students

1,101 students and community members
assisted with obtaining health
care coverage

3,982 SmartBenefit cards and 430 Kids
Ride Free provided to students

Our *Top* Program Enrollment



1,981

students

SY 2022-2023

2,109

students

SY 2023-2024



	ESL	GED	Technology Essentials	Career Training
22-23	1,581	182	128	90
23-24	1,744 ↑	157	131 ↑	77

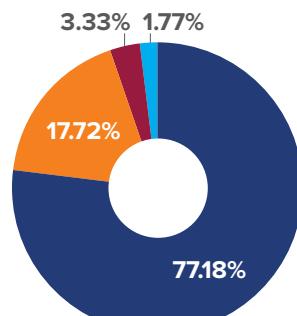
Gender Gender data is based on student selected gender identity. We have one student self-reporting as non-binary.

	SY 2022-2023	SY 2023-2024
Female:	63.25%	58.80%
Male:	36.70%	41.20%
X:	0.05%	

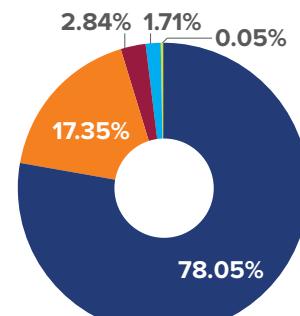


Ethnicity of Student Body

Hispanic / Latino
Black or African American
White
Asian
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander



SY 2022-2023



SY 2023-2024

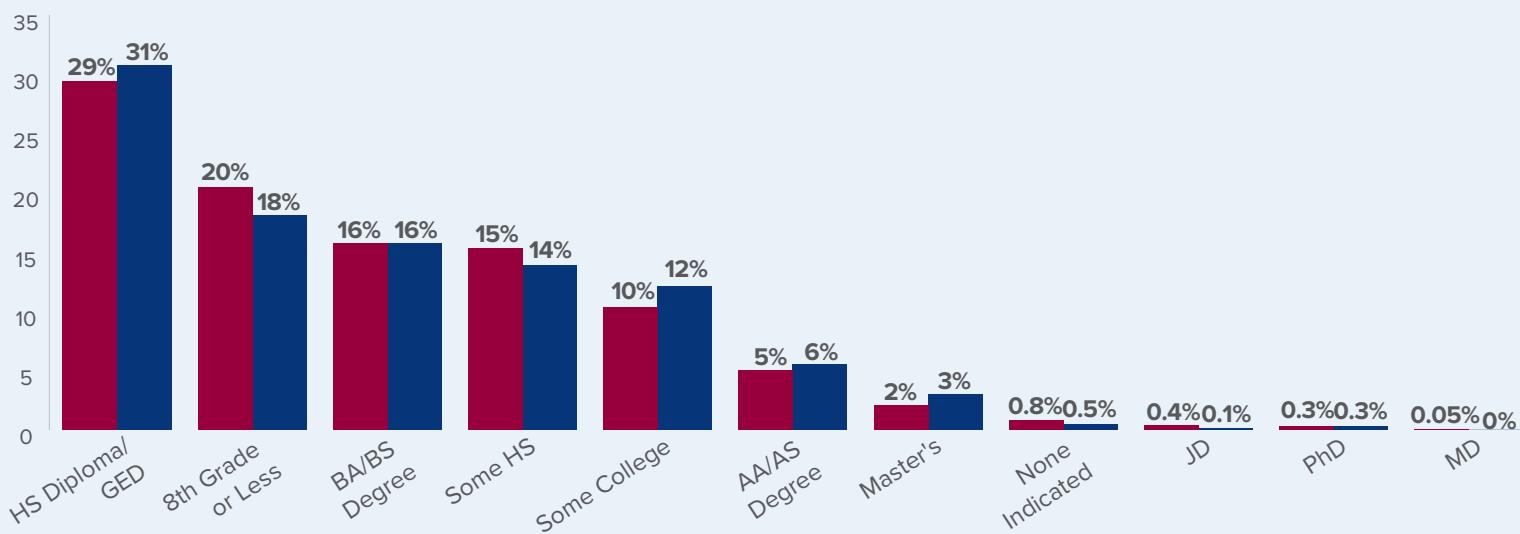
MISSION

The Carlos Rosario School delivers high-quality education, career training, and supportive services that enable adult immigrants to realize their dreams while strengthening our community and economy.

Level of Education

SY 2022-2023

SY 2023-2024



Income Level

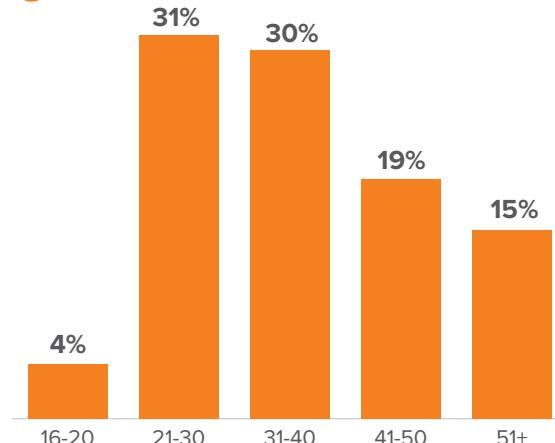
SY 2022-2023

Low Income: 87%

SY 2023-2024

Low Income: 85%

Age





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We are a school *community* where

**Students are at the center
of our work**

**Excellence permeates and
all are committed to lifelong
learning**

**Learning, teaching, and
leadership are shared across
the school community**

**All feel empowered to own
their destiny**

In the Media

Meet Didier

Didier – From Dreams to a Career in IT

When Didier arrived in Washington, DC, life was full of uncertainty. Like many adult learners, he faced numerous challenges but remained determined to build a better future. That determination led him to Carlos Rosario International Public Charter School—a place that changed everything.

At Carlos Rosario School, Didier found not just a school but a supportive community. In Fall 2023, he joined the IT Fundamentals program with instructor Mr. Eddy, marking the start of a new chapter. For the first time, a clear career path emerged. “Thanks to the school, Didier earned his first IT certificate at no cost—something he couldn’t have afforded otherwise,” Mr. Eddy shared. With financial support and resources, Didier was able to focus on learning without worrying about financial pressures.

But it wasn’t just about academics. The instructors, staff, and fellow students at Carlos Rosario School provided encouragement and practical support every step of the way. From job interview preparation to resume building and internship placements, the school ensured that Didier was ready for the real world. Even after graduation, the support continued, helping him stay on track in his career journey.

After completing the IT Fundamentals program, with his CompTIA ITF+ Certification, Didier advanced to Per Scholas, where he earned a Google IT Support Specialist certificate and an A+ certification. As a class speaker, he reflected on his journey and set his sights on an ambitious goal: becoming a Data and Cybersecurity Analyst. Today, Didier is pursuing self-paced courses and preparing to earn his Security+ certification—a step closer to achieving his dream.



For Didier, this journey isn’t just about personal success—it’s about giving back. Inspired by the mission of Carlos Rosario School to empower adult learners through education and career training, he is committed to helping others realize their potential.

“One of the most important lessons I learned was the value of communication,” Didier explained. “Life can get in the way, but at Carlos Rosario School, the instructors were always ready to listen and support me. They reminded me that challenges don’t define us—it’s how we respond to them that matters.”

Today, Didier stands as a proud example of what’s possible with determination and the right support. They are building a brighter future in the IT field and inspiring others to do the same.

“Carlos Rosario School didn’t just give me an education—they gave me the tools to succeed in life,” he said. “Thank you to the School and everyone who supports its mission. Together, we’re building a stronger community and helping more people achieve their dreams.”

Didier’s story is a testament to the power of education, resilience, and community. Carlos Rosario School is proud to be part of his journey and continues to empower students like him to transform their lives.

Carlos Rosario International Public Charter

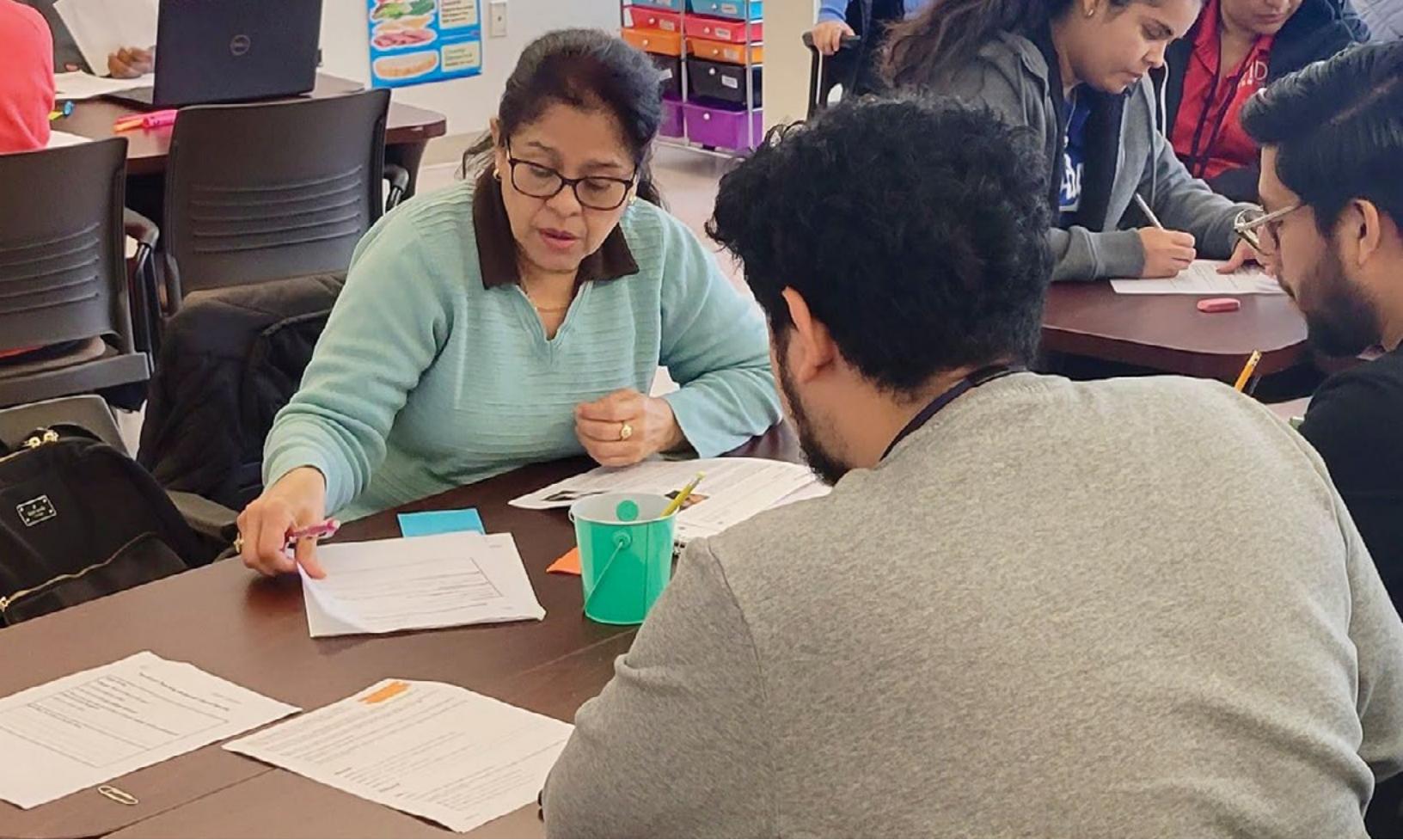
Statements of Financial Position

Consolidated Statement of Activities	FY23	FY24
Revenues and support - charter per pupil allotment		
General education	\$ 22,769,090	\$ 25,451,344
Categorical enhancements-English language learners	1,080,453	1,232,847
DC facilities allowance	6,959,253	7,638,798
Federal entitlements and other federal funds	530,218	263,257
State and local government contributions and grants	-	1,659,300
Private contributions, donations and grants	402,274	976,802
Cafeteria sales	218,940	299,920
Other income	304,634	267,995
Net assets released from restrictions	65,695	50,636
Total revenues & support	32,264,862	37,790,263
Expenses		
Educational programs	23,836,075	25,067,881
Program service-rental operations	4,090,405	4,358,974
Community outreach	84,721	35,951
General and administrative	4,757,600	4,615,298
Fundraising	271,482	185,015
Total expenses	33,040,283	34,263,119
Other activity		
Investment income, net	1,030,735	1,888,786
Net assets:	\$1,030,735	\$1,888,786
Net assets - ending	\$ 36,587,436	\$42,003,366

FY23 - Year Ended June 30, 2023 | FY24 - Year Ended June 30, 2024

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