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A NOTE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

As I reflect on 2025, one word comes to mind: momentum.

This year, Season of Justice continued to push forward in a space where progress is often slow, complex, and hard-won. Every case we support represents years, sometimes decades, of waiting. Waiting for answers. Waiting for justice. Waiting for someone to care enough to keep going.

That is where we come in.

In 2025, we deepened our impact across the country by funding advanced DNA testing and investigative support in cases that might otherwise have remained unresolved. We strengthened our partnerships with law enforcement agencies, forensic labs, and the families who trust us with their stories. And most importantly, we contributed to real movement in cases that once felt impossible.

Behind every statistic is a human story. A family searching for closure. A victim whose life deserves recognition. A community that deserves truth. Our work is not just about solving cases, it is about restoring dignity, accountability, and hope.

This year also marked meaningful growth for our organization. We refined our internal processes, strengthened our financial stewardship, and developed plans to expand our visibility and reach. As a result, we are better positioned than

ever to scale our impact responsibly and effectively.

None of this happens in isolation.

To our donors, partners, and supporters: thank you for believing in this mission. Your support directly fuels the work, every test funded, every case advanced, every step closer to justice. You are not just contributors; you are part of the solution.

To the families and investigators we serve: thank you for your trust. We do not take it lightly.

And to our team and board: your commitment, expertise, and relentless drive are what make this work possible every single day.

Looking ahead, we are focused on expanding access to forensic advancements and financial resources, increasing awareness of unsolved cases, and continuing to challenge the barriers that prevent justice from being served. The need is vast but so is our determination.

Justice should not depend on time, money, or geography. At Season of Justice, we are committed to closing that gap.

And we are just getting started.

With gratitude,

Angela Mew

Executive Director
Season of Justice



MISSION

Season of Justice® (SOJ) is a nonprofit dedicated to providing funding for investigative agencies and families to help solve cold cases. SOJ provides grants for advanced DNA analysis solutions, such as forensic genealogy and next-generation sequencing, to investigative agencies. The organization also supports and funds awareness campaigns, and other initiatives for victims' families that can assist in pushing their cold cases forward. SOJ's goal is to provide financial resources for both investigative agencies and families in order to bring resolution to those impacted by unsolved violent crimes.

2025 RECAP

JANUARY 2025

A DNA testing grant awarded by SOJ that helped investigators make an arrest in a 1989 rape case resulted in the max sentence of 15 years in prison.



MAY 2025

A DNA testing grant awarded by SOJ helps Linn Co. Sheriff's Office (IA) identify and arrest a suspect in the 1983 unsolved homicide of Ronald Novak.



OCTOBER 2025

A DNA testing grant awarded by SOJ helps Albany PD (NY) solve the 1964 homicide of Catherine Blackburn.



DECEMBER 2025

A DNA testing grant awarded by SOJ helps the Belleville Police (ONT) arrest and convict the suspect in a 2000 sexual assault. He was sentenced to 12 years in prison.



APRIL 2025

A DNA testing grant awarded by SOJ helps investigators make an arrest in the 1989 homicide of Jennifer Williams in Springfield, MO.



JUNE 2025

A DNA testing grant awarded by SOJ helps Riviera Beach PD (FL) identify and charge a suspect for a 1995 homicide. The suspect is currently incarcerated on other charges.

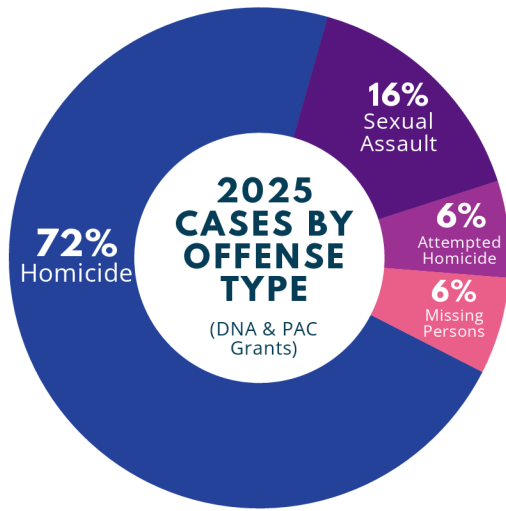


NOVEMBER 2025

A DNA testing grant awarded by SOJ helps Henderson Co. Sheriff's Office (TX) positively identify the suspect in the 1987 homicide of Rickey Herriage. The suspect died in 2008..

2025 IMPACT

Grant Programs



SOJ SOLVES

In 2025, **eight cold cases** were solved as a result of DNA testing funded by Season of Justice bringing the **total number of SOJ Solves to 29**. Of those cases:

- **Two** deceased suspects were ID'd through FGG.
- **Six** suspects were identified and arrested, leading to **two** convictions. The remaining suspects await trial.
- Of the **two** convictions, **one** was sentenced to 13 years and **one**, a serial offender, was sentenced to 15 years.

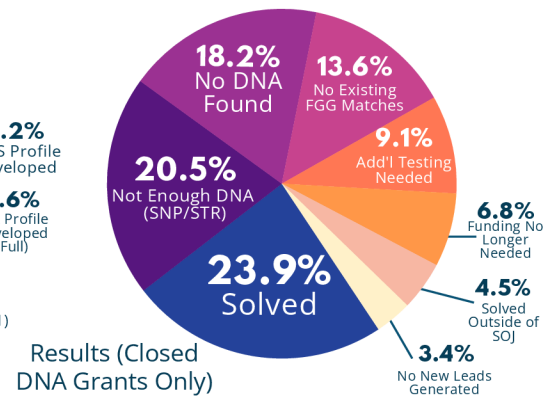
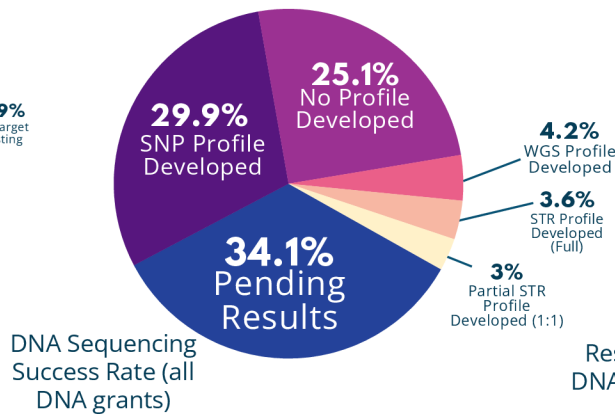
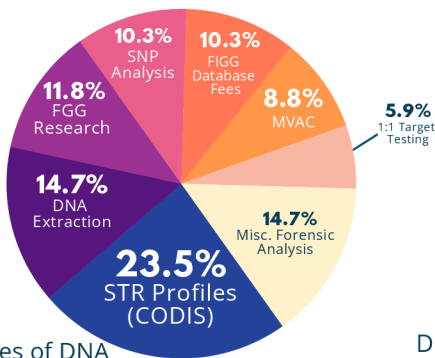
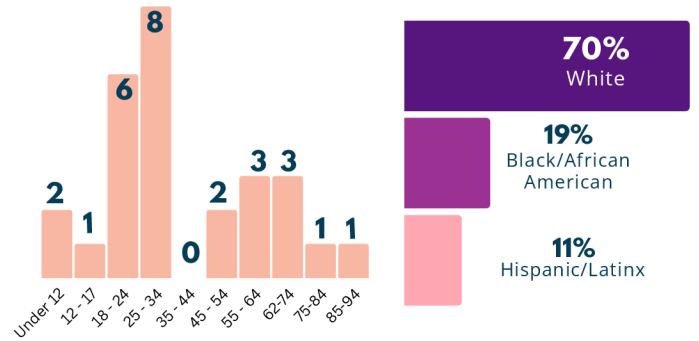
2025 Total Amount Awarded
\$256,656.40

\$26,000.00 PAC Grants

\$230,656.40 DNA Grants

VICTIM DEMOGRAPHICS

In 2025, of the **32 cases** funded, **41%** of the victims were male, **59%** were female. The youngest victim was **8 years old**. The oldest victim was **86 years old**.



PUBLIC AWARENESS CAMPAIGNS

In 2025, Season of Justice sponsored **five** awareness campaigns in Texas, California, and Ohio. 2025 also brought developments in two cases previously supported with billboard campaigns. In September, a tip led to the arrest of a suspect for the homicide of 17 year-old Blake Chappell. In November, the husband of 29 year-old Lonene Rogers confessed to her murder.



2025 DONOR WALL

Acknowledgements

2ND ANNUAL JOG FOR JUSTICE VIRTUAL 5K

201

Participants

31

Teams

853

Total Miles

36

States

2

Countries



2025 JOG FOR JUSTICE SPONSORS

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Visit seasonofjustice.org for more information!

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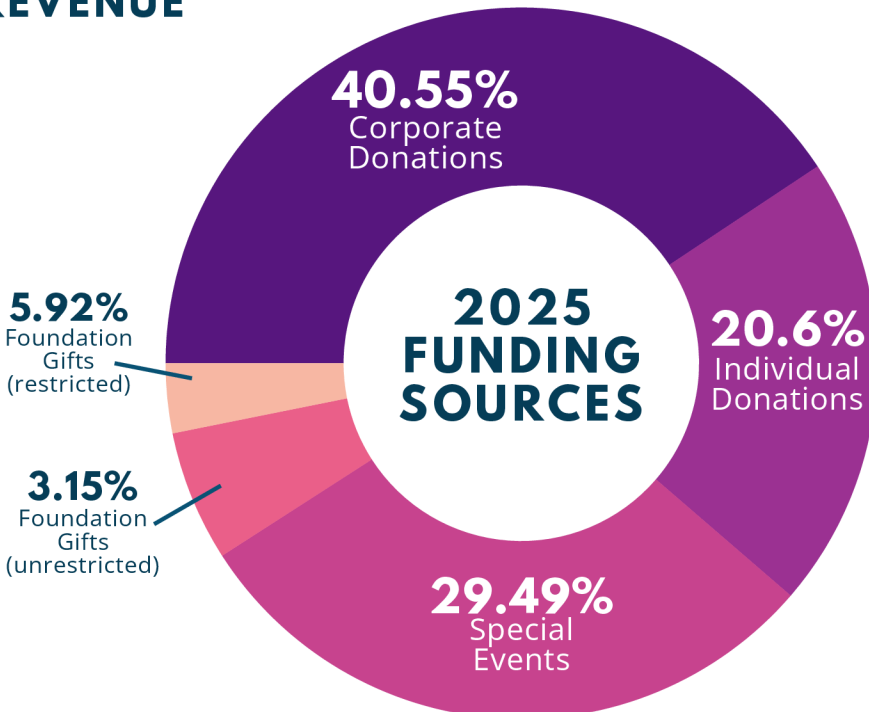
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176

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(recurring giving program)

436

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3187

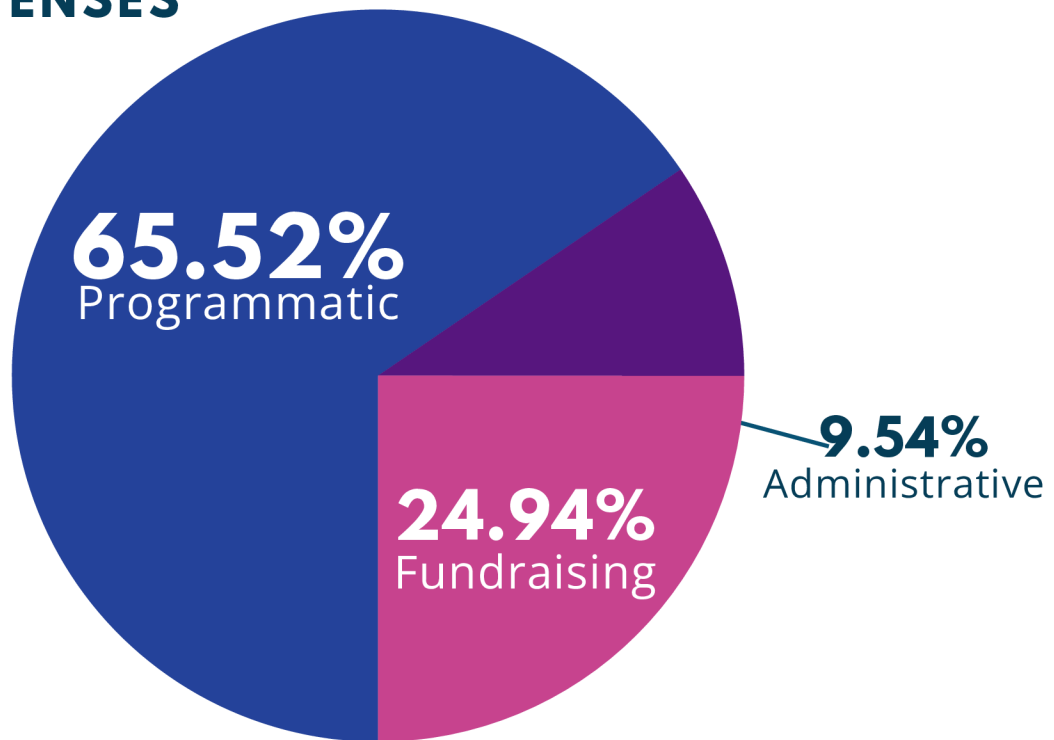
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2025 BY THE NUMBERS

Financials



EXPENSES



LOOKING FORWARD

In 2026, Season of Justice will focus on executing our first three-year strategic plan, bringing greater alignment, structure, and accountability to how we grow our impact. A key priority will be increasing national visibility, building stronger strategic relationships, and diversifying our funding streams through targeted fundraising efforts to support long-term sustainability. At the same time, we are focused on strengthening our internal capacity by expanding the expertise and engagement of our Board of Directors. Every step forward is grounded in our core mission of supporting families and assisting law enforcement in advancing unsolved cases.

The goal is simple: do more, reach further, and move cases forward with greater consistency and scale.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

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