



STAR LEGACY
FOUNDATION

ANNUAL REPORT

Honoring Babies, Inspiring Prevention, Supporting Families

2025

A Letter From The Executive Director

Dear Friends, Supporters,
and Partners of the
Star Legacy Foundation,

As we reflect on 2025, I am filled with profound gratitude and immense pride for the extraordinary progress we have made together in our shared mission to improve perinatal loss prevention and care.

Lindsey Wimmer
DNP, CPNP, IPPE-C



This past year marked a transformative chapter in our organization's history. We proudly launched the International Partnership for Perinatal Excellence (IPPE), a groundbreaking global network of healthcare professionals dedicated to elevating standards of perinatal care for families and babies worldwide. Through IPPE, we are fostering collaboration, sharing best practices, and driving meaningful improvements in prevention and bereavement care on an international scale.

In June 2025, we hosted the inaugural Summit for Perinatal Excellence, bringing together leading researchers, clinicians, advocates, and bereaved parents from around the world. This landmark event sparked vital conversations, showcased cutting-edge research, and inspired actionable steps toward reducing preventable losses and enhancing support for families.

Our grassroots strength continued to grow, as we welcomed eight new chapters to the Star Legacy family. These dedicated groups are expanding our reach, delivering localized education, awareness, and support in communities across the country and beyond.

We further amplified our prevention and care efforts by distributing more than 150,000 family education materials to 450 health organizations, providing families and healthcare providers with essential resources to promote healthy pregnancies and offer quality bereavement support.

In our commitment to advancing knowledge and prevention, we provided more than \$80,000 in research grants to promising projects focused on understanding the causes of stillbirth and developing effective interventions. These investments are paving the way for breakthroughs that will save and improve lives in the years to come.

Most importantly, our hearts remain with the families we serve. In 2025, we supported more than 2,000 grieving families through our free virtual support groups, peer connections, phone and text support, resources for pregnancy after loss, and compassionate referrals. Every interaction is a reminder of why our work matters—to ensure no family faces these unimaginable losses alone.

None of these achievements would have been possible without the unwavering dedication of our incredible community. To our chapter leaders, who tirelessly organize events, build local networks, and provide hands-on support: thank you for being the heart of our mission in your communities. To our volunteers, who give countless hours of time, empathy, and energy: your compassion changes lives every single day. To our donors, whose generous contributions fuel our programs, research, and outreach: your belief in our work makes all of this possible. And to our partners and sponsors, who collaborate with us to amplify our impact: your partnership strengthens our efforts and extends our reach far beyond what we could achieve alone.

Thank you, from the bottom of our hearts, for standing with us in 2025. Looking ahead to 2026, we are excited to build on this momentum. We will continue to grow and strengthen the International Partnership for Perinatal Excellence, welcoming more professionals and institutions into this vital network. We are also thrilled to launch the Family Summit, a dedicated space for bereaved parents and families to connect, heal, share stories, and find renewed hope together.

With your continued support, we are confident that even greater progress awaits. Together, we honor the legacies of the precious babies we remember, inspire prevention for a better future, and ensure that no family grieves alone. Thank you for being part of this meaningful journey.

With deepest appreciation and hope for the future,

Lindsey Wimmer, DNP, CPNP, IPPE-C
Executive Director, Star Legacy Foundation



STAR LEGACY
FOUNDATION

A Letter From The Board Chairman

Dear Friends,

As we look back on 2025 and reflect on the progress we have made, I am filled with appreciation and optimism for the future of the Star Legacy Foundation. Thanks to the unyielding dedication of our community, this past year has been marked by growth and success in several areas.

Shaylee Dave
DO, IPPE-C



From Champion events to starting new Chapters around the country, the Star Legacy Foundation family has been tirelessly working to advance our mission. Through the support groups, we continue to support countless bereaved families; dads, grandparents and pregnancy after loss. With education and awareness, our teams provided education to many healthcare teams around the country. We were featured on the NFL My Cleats My Cause initiative where Hakeem Adeniji of the Dallas Cowboys selected Star Legacy.

The Summit for Perinatal Excellence was held June 18-20th, 2025 in Bloomington, MN. This 7th biennial conference was a tremendous success. The Star Legacy Foundation hosted an international collection of researchers, healthcare professionals and industry advocates all dedicated to improving perinatal loss prevention and care for families around the world. The unique collaboration that comes from this meeting is highlighted in BMC Proceedings September article and is sure to drive meaningful change.

We continue to grow and promote the Internal Partnership for Perinatal Excellence (IPPE) program, which aims to educate doctors, midwives, bereavement counselors and other specialists around the world on the best practices for preventing pregnancy loss, reducing adverse pregnancy outcomes and supporting families through heartbreaking moments. As of December 2025 we have 69 certified members and 39 IPPE Endorsing Partner organizations.

Looking ahead, we are meeting with residency directors about providing opportunities for IPPE to rising medical residents and students in training. We are adding new online education modules. We are applying for grants and awarding research grants to dedicated teams supporting our mission. We are very excited to be organizing and hosting a biennial Family Summit to showcase all of the education, research, and support specifically geared towards families who have experienced this heartbreaking loss.

These achievements are only possible with the unwavering support and commitment of our volunteers, employees, and fellow board members. Each of you plays a vital role in the success of our programs, and your dedication inspires everything we do. As we embark on 2026, I am confident that with this incredible team, we will continue to grow and make an even greater impact in perinatal loss prevention and care for families. Thank you for being part of this journey. Together, we will continue to honor our mission and achieve new milestones for families everywhere.

**With gratitude,
Shaylee Dave, DO FACP**

Chairman of the Board Star Legacy Foundation



**STAR LEGACY
FOUNDATION**

2025 IN REVIEW



- Launched IPPE, certified our first 69 members!
- IPPE supported by 39 partnering organizations
- Launched Perinatal Grand Rounds and Beyond the Silent Stars podcasts
- Hosted the Summit for Perinatal Excellence and published the proceedings



The information I received from Star Legacy will go into our bereavement boxes that we send home with our families. Thank you for helping spread awareness and ways to remember our babies."



- Supported recruitment for 11 partner studies
- Provided more than \$80,000 in research grants
- Launched 38 new online learning modules
- Presented at 13 professional meetings
- Exhibited at 27 health professional conferences
- 140% increase in online modules utilized
- Hosted 18 live workshops for health professionals
- Welcomed new Research and Education Coordinator - Dr. Sarah Rodriguez

2025 IN REVIEW



- Distributed nearly 150,000 family education/support materials to 450 health organizations across the US
- Collected and distributed more than 5,500 baby items for newly bereaved families
- Offered monthly childbirth education classes for pregnancy after loss
- Supported 675 families through the Support Line (increase of 69%)
- Provided more than 250 hours of Support Groups
- 41% increase in support group attendance
- Supported 9 federal, state, and local initiatives supporting bereaved families

- Added 8 new chapters
- Hosted the Chapter Retreat in Victoria, MN
- Chapters hosted 27 family support and awareness events in their communities
- Chapters supported 19 community events to raise awareness

“

Being a Peer Companion is one of the most rewarding things I have ever done. It has greatly helped me in my own grieving process for which I am truly thankful!”

2025 IN REVIEW



- Increased enrollment in the PRP by 6%



- Contacted 756 families referred to MNCSID and WICSID



- More than 100 trained peers on our peer support team
- Benefitted from more than 5,000 volunteer hours

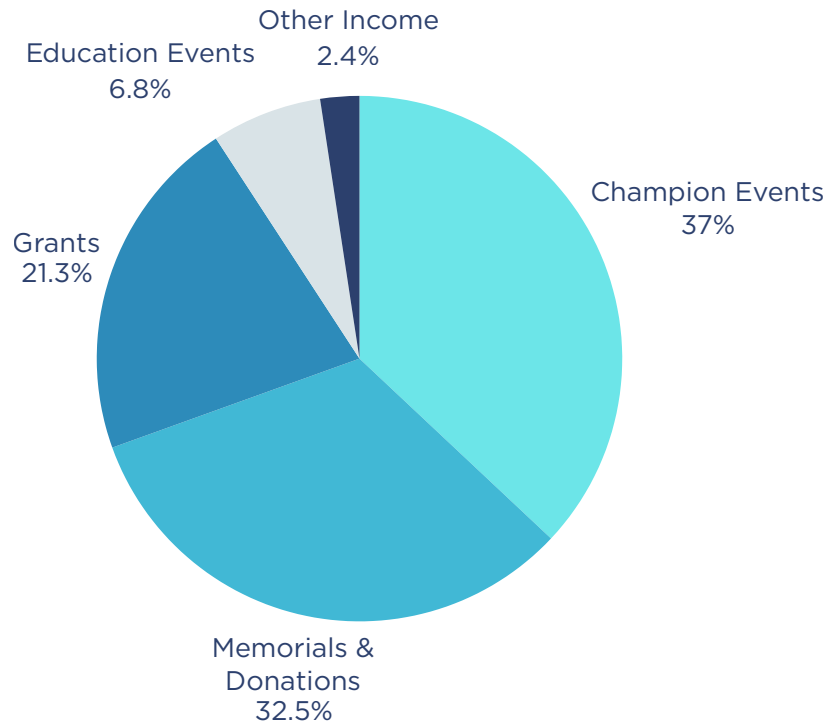


- Increased social media followers by 18%
- Collaboration with Moonpig greeting cards for Mothers Day and Father's Day
- Featured on NFL cleats
- Selected as a partner/platform for Mrs. Alabama

FINANCIALS

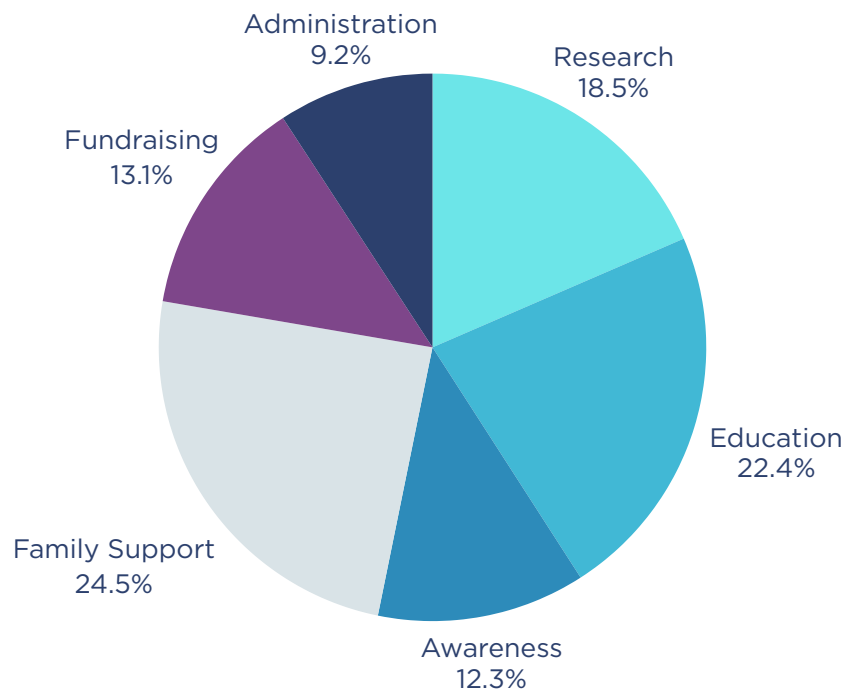
Income

Total: \$1,097,604



Expenses

Total: \$1,122,246



2025 CHAMPION EVENTS

Bingo Night - Central Florida - March 21

Fargo Marathon for Bennett - Fargo, ND - May 31

Core for a Cause - Connecticut - June 14

Swing For The Stars - New York - June 30

Taylor Morgan Hamilton - Pennsylvania - August 2

Let's Not Be Still - Nebraska - August 2

Let's Not Be Still - Montana - August 3

Still Singing Benefit Concert - Georgia - August 9

3rd Annual Golf Tournament for Jack Fischer - Wisconsin - Sep 12

Baby Steps 5K - Michigan - September 27

Miles for Memories 5K - Florida - September 27

Arkansas Online Fundraiser - Arkansas - October 1 - 31

Steps for our Stars - Minnesota - October 4

Harvest Fest and Memorial Walk - Idaho - October 4

Remember Us Still - Chicago - October 5

Painting with a Purpose - South Central IL - October 12

Wave of Light - Wisconsin - October 15

Row for a Cause - New Jersey - October 22

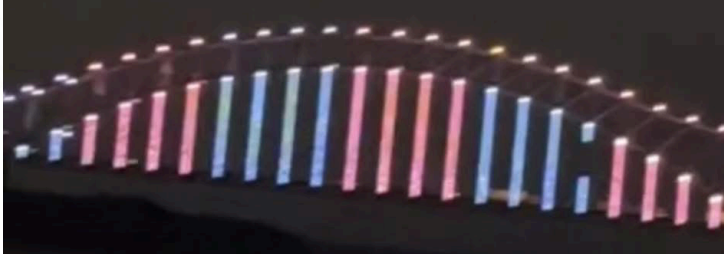
Let's Not Be Still - New York Metro - November 1

Henry's Hope Gala - Houston - November 15

OUR CHAPTERS



OUR CHAPTERS



BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Shaylee Dave
DO, IPPE-C



Lindsey Wimmer
DNP, CPNP, IPPE-C



Barbara Toppin
MD, IPPE-C



Andrea Lang
JD



Jared D. Ament
MD



Steve Libsack



Jacqueline Grant
MD, MPH, MPA



Jenny Bender
MBA

GET INVOLVED

1 DONATE

Support families navigating perinatal loss and the professionals who care for them. Your gift helps provide resources, education, and compassionate support.

2 JOIN IPPE

Become a certified professional or refer a colleague to join IPPE, advancing expertise in perinatal care.

6 SHARE YOUR STORY

Your voice matters. Sharing your experience helps other families know they are not alone.

4 REFER A FAMILY

Know a family who could use support? Help us connect them to resources, guidance, and a caring community.

5 DONATE ITEMS

Blankets, baby supplies, and other essentials make a tangible difference for families during a difficult time.

3 HOST AN EVENT

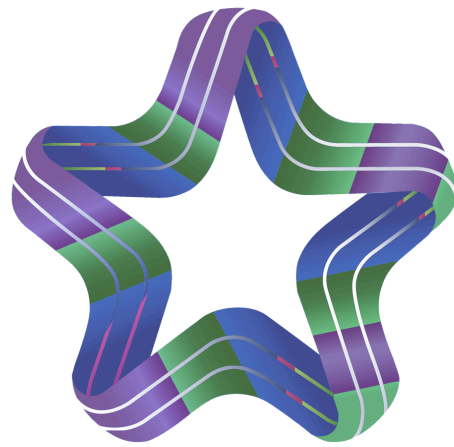
Organize a fundraiser or educational event to raise awareness, support families, and strengthen our network.

7 CONNECT OR START A CHAPTER

Bring Star Legacy Foundation to your community! Email amy@starlegacyfoundation.org to connect or start a local chapter.

“

Your resources and website and everything has just been so so helpful. So thank you all so much for the work that you do.”



STAR LEGACY
FOUNDATION

Thank you to all of our
volunteers, chapter leaders,
donors, and partners!