# Martinez Education Foundation

October 2026

Founded in 1984, the Martinez Education Foundation (MEF) is a broadly based, nonprofit community organization, with a volunteer board working exclusively to secure and allocate contributions for the benefit of the students in the Martinez Unified School District.

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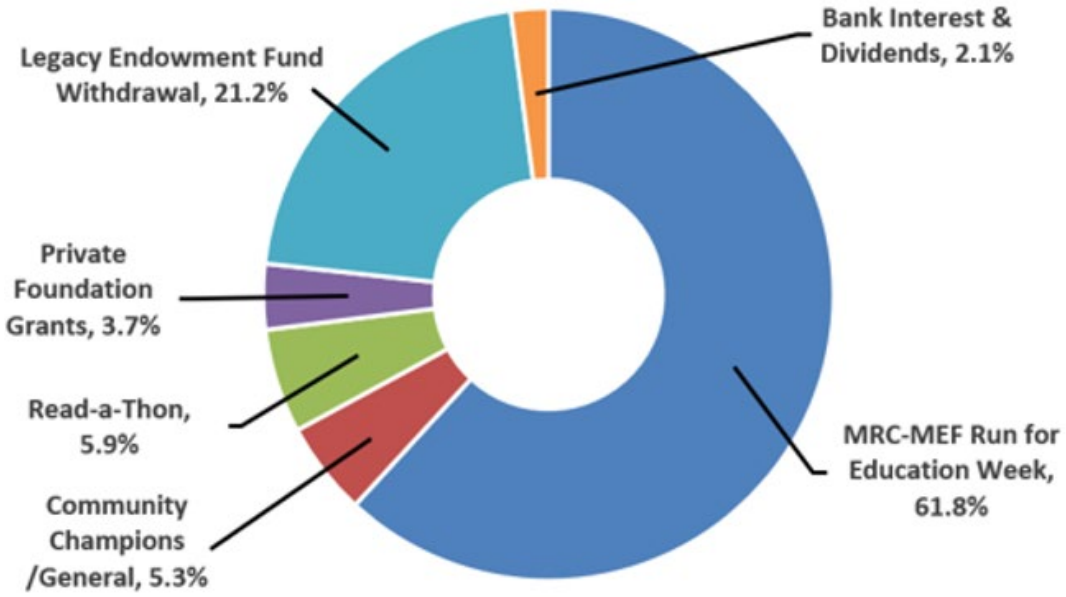
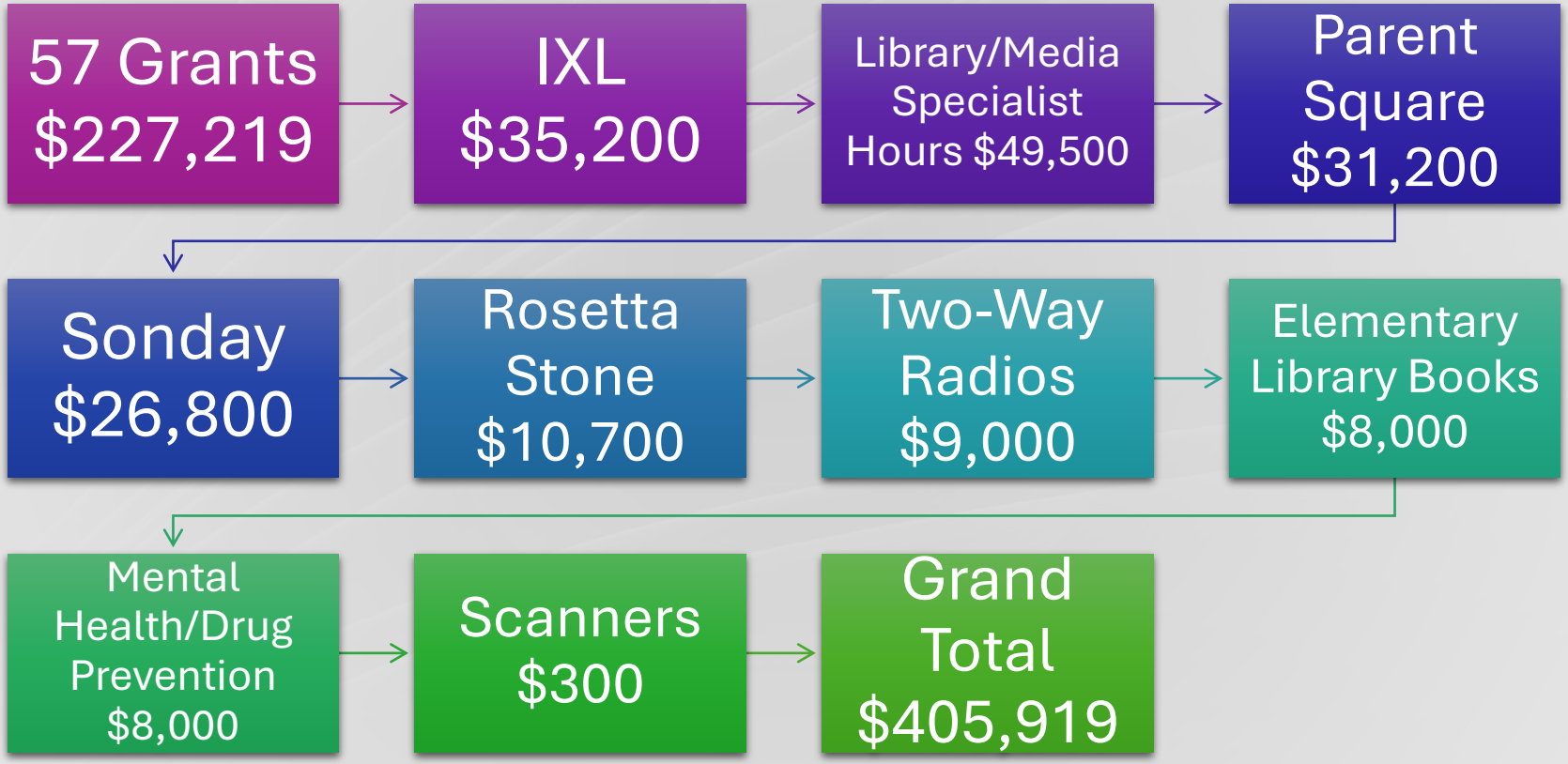
## Where the Money Comes From



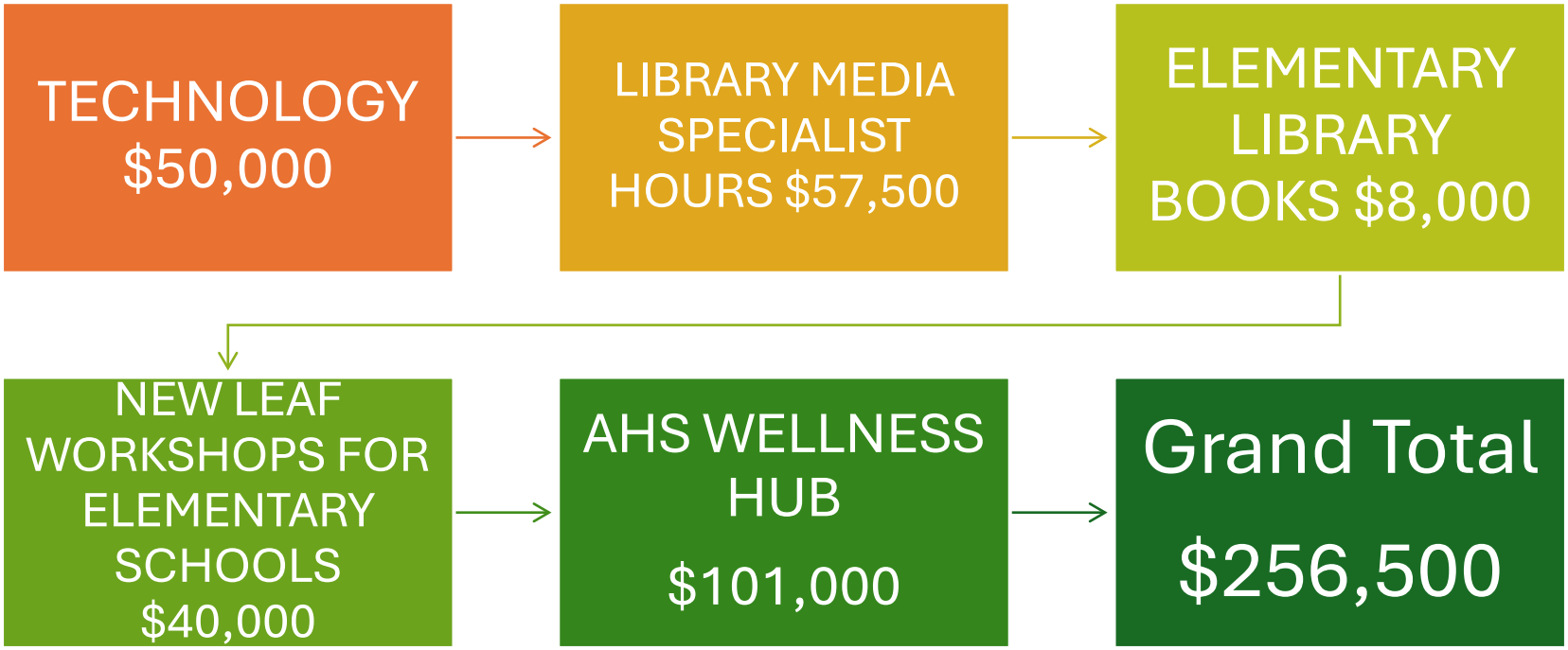

(From 2026 Budget)

**MEF Has Granted Over $3,672,550 in Support of Martinez Schools**

# What MEF Funded in 2025/2026



# Funds Already Committed for 2026/2027



# Grant Process Overview

01

Talk with your Principal to determine if there are available site funds – use them or lose them!

02

Determine the grant amount

03

Submit the grant application online (Cognito Forms) *Same as last year with a few additions*

# How to Determine Grant Amount

# What is important to MEF?

Collaborative projects with other departments or grade levels

Seek additional funds: PTA, Site Council, Department Funds, outside donors

Partial funding options

Participation in the Annual Grant Survey

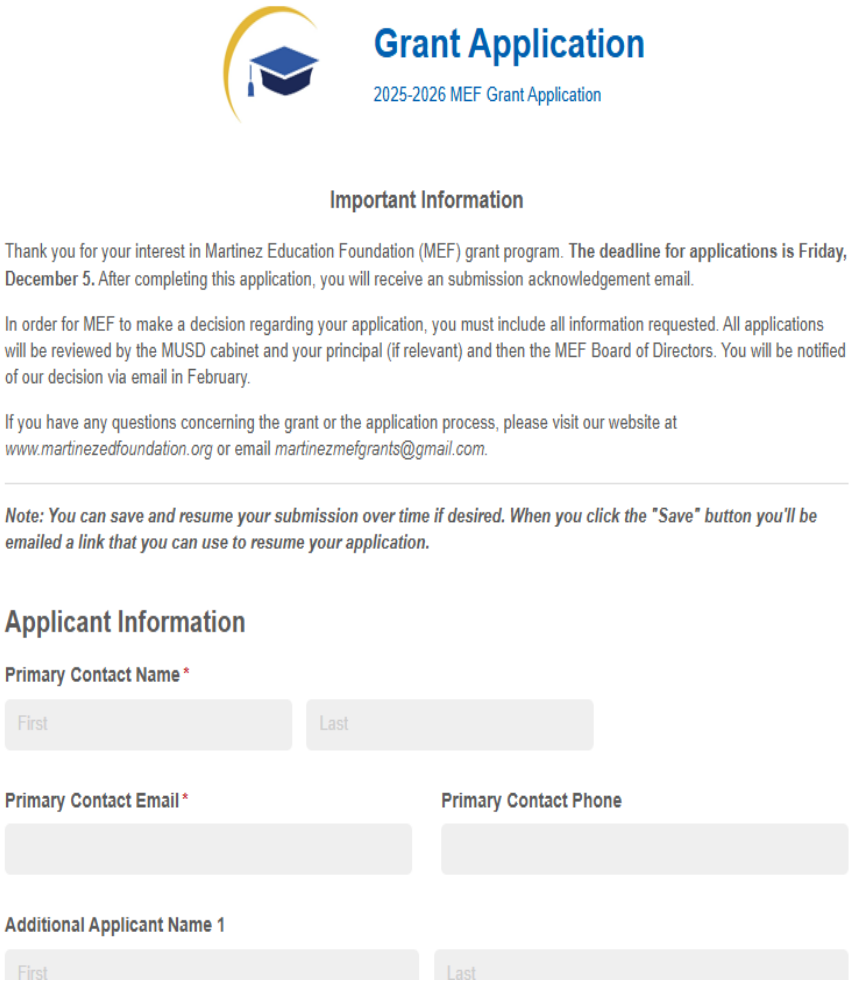
# Partial Funding Options

Many grants are used to purchase multiple items or units

MEF seeks to fund the total amount requested but may be limited

Please help us by submitting one or two partial funding options

# Online Application Highlights



## Grant Application

2025-2026 MEF Grant Application

**Important Information**

Thank you for your interest in Martinez Education Foundation (MEF) grant program. **The deadline for applications is Friday, December 5.** After completing this application, you will receive an submission acknowledgement email.

In order for MEF to make a decision regarding your application, you must include all information requested. All applications will be reviewed by the MUSD cabinet and your principal (if relevant) and then the MEF Board of Directors. You will be notified of our decision via email in February.

If you have any questions concerning the grant or the application process, please visit our website at *www.martinezedfoundation.org* or email *martinezmefgrants@gmail.com.*

***Note: You can save and resume your submission over time if desired. When you click the "Save" button you'll be emailed a link that you can use to resume your application.***

**Applicant Information**

**Primary Contact Name** *

First | Last

**Primary Contact Email** *

**Primary Contact Phone**

**Additional Applicant Name 1**

First | Last

If interrupted, you can come back to the application later. It will save your work

This year's application asks for the same information as previous years

Cognito Forms platform

At the end, upload your documentation that validates the grant amount

# Grants and Programs Recently Funded

## Technology & Science

- Compound Microscopes
- iPads + Cases, Apple Pencils, & Procreate Licenses
- Thermal Cycler and Microcentrifuge
- ViewSonic ViewBoards
- Harmony Aquaponic System
- Digital Incubators & Scales
- Science Exploration Equipment
- New Leaf Collaborative Community Science Workshops
- Starfish Dissection Kits
- Owl Pellets

## Arts

- Musical Instruments
- Melodicas
- Art Materials for 900 Students
- Kenn Adams Adventure Theater

## Instructional & Supplemental Materials

- Fiction & Nonfiction Books
- Decodable Reading Materials
- Walk Through California and the Revolution Programs
- Lexia Core Adaptive Reading Program
- Quizlet, Kahoot, & Gimlet Subscriptions
- Books & Cart for Take Home Reading Program
- Sensory Support Materials
- Scholastic News Subscriptions

# Grant Success Survey

**Last Year's Grant Recipients**

- Received the survey via email this Fall

**Please help us by:**

- Including details on how the item(s) improved student achievement
- Adding anecdotes, student quotes, and photographs
- Survey responses due November 30th

**The survey information will be used to promote the MEF Grant Program and will be included in our fundraising materials.**

# How to Apply

Submit your application online

Deadline is Friday, December 4, 2026

# What's Next

- Grant applications are reviewed by Site Principals and MUSD Cabinet and Superintendent
- MEF grant allocation meeting is mid-January
- Grant decisions will be announced in late January
- Purchase order submission deadline is March 1, 2027

# MRC-MEF Run is Fun!

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# Questions?

**e-mail: MartinezMEFGrants@gmail.com**