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Our mission
is to empower
and transform
the lives of youth
through the sport
of wrestling.



Letter from the Director

The past year marked a significant milestone as we celebrated a decade of positively impacting girls and boys through our sports-based youth development programs. Over 8,000 young individuals have participated in our free programs, including practices, clinics, tournaments, summer camps, leadership programs, and scholarships. All of these initiatives have been led by our executive team and dedicated and highly trained coaches and mentors.

Looking ahead to 2024, our 12th year, we are thrilled to embark on a bold mission: establishing a permanent home base for our organization, expanding our reach, and strengthening and launching new initiatives to further amplify our impact in the Greater Los Angeles Area.

Our success is made possible by the unwavering support and leadership of our Board of Directors, donors, and supporters who share our commitment to giving back to the most underserved youth in our communities.

One of our proudest achievements is seeing many of our program alumni step into leadership roles, mentoring the next generation—a heartwarming full-circle story for Beat the Streets Los Angeles.

In conclusion, we extend heartfelt gratitude to everyone who has contributed to our journey of empowering youth and fostering positive change.

Yero Washington
Executive Director



**Beat the Streets
Los Angeles
strives to lead
the sports-based
youth development
movement by
creating sustainable
wrestling programs
accessible to all youth.**

Josue Aguilar

“I have had the privilege to be part of an amazing organization that has the power to create a positive impact in lives. ”

Josue's journey with our organization began as a youth wrestler. After high school graduation, he continued to pursue his passion for wrestling at East Los Angeles College. After completing his associates degree, Josue returned to his community and our organization, where he dedicated himself to serving as an Up2Us/Americorp Coach. Currently, Josue is back in college and actively participating in Menlo College's wrestling program.

“I am where I am today because of my mentors, coaches, and teammates. Beat the Streets LA will continue to unite one another through the sport of wrestling, and make a difference in our communities.”





Miya Galvan

“Beat the Streets gave me opportunities that I will forever be grateful for.”

Miya's involvement with the program began during her 7th-grade year, a time when she had no prior knowledge of the sport of wrestling. Following her high school graduation, she maintained her dedication to wrestling and academics at East Los Angeles College, earning an associates degree. In August 2023, Miya concluded a year of service as an Up2Us/Americorp Coach with Beat the Streets LA.



Currently, Miya is on her academic journey, working towards her undergraduate degree at San Francisco State University.

“Beat the streets has been with me throughout my childhood and has helped shape the woman I am today. As an athlete I had amazing coaches and teammates. As a coach, I want to make sure we continue growing the program. Beat the Streets gave me opportunities that I will forever be grateful for.”



Sergio Camacho

“My coaches gave me role models and the necessary tools to navigate life.”

“Coaching with Beat the Streets LA has been an amazing experience. The professional development and continuing education training that is offered has improved my coaching approach and philosophy for the better.

I coach because the sport of wrestling provided me with enough adversity that I was able to gain confidence, resilience and friendships through both opponents and teammates. My coaches gave me role models and the necessary tools to navigate my emotions and hardships in the sport and outside of the sport. I look forward to passing on those traits and tools to the next generation of wrestlers that I coach in the community where I grew up, Oxnard.”



Jackie Esquivel

“I am grateful to be part of an organization that develops and showcases the growth of wrestling and provides athletic and academic opportunities.”



“I first joined wrestling because my brother made me in 2013. I didn't realize that it was going to change my life completely, and change me as a person entirely. I was getting into a lot of trouble and I was just a really angry kid in middle school. My brother was already in high school wrestling so when he learned about Beat the Streets, he decided to take me to the practice. I loved it since the very first day.

The overall Beat the Streets program brought a lot of great people into my life that I am still

very close to, to this day. So many great athletes and coaches throughout the program that have helped shape me into the best person that I can possibly be. It truly felt like a second home for me.

Without Beat the Streets I would have never gone to college, wrestled, or became the person who I am today. Once I graduated and came back home, I knew this program in South El Monte is where I wanted to give back to my community and coach.”



Our Goals & Objectives



Mastery of Wrestling Skills

Wrestling rapidly develops invaluable traits like no other sport. At Beat the Streets Los Angeles, we provide year round programming, clinics, events, and camps that teach our boys and girls resilience, teamwork, grit, and discipline that translates to life well beyond the wrestling mat.



Healthy Living

We prepare our youth to meet the rigorous physical and mental demands of wrestling. By providing nutrition education and prioritizing social and emotional well-being, we ensure our coaches and mentors are focused on developing the whole student-athlete.



Enhanced Academic Achievement

We believe in supplementing the academic pursuits of our student-athletes. This is why we offer numerous enrichment workshops, university visits, alongside summer camps with various educational facets, that enhance the overall educational experience of youth in our programs.



Character Development

Our greatest measure of success is producing the next generation of leaders through the lessons they learn in the sport of wrestling. With a positive environment of caring role models, coaches and mentors, we cultivate personal qualities such as courage, humility, perseverance, and confidence, that carry over into every aspect of life.

Event History

Since 2012 we have provided:

13 Elite Wrestling Clinics



- Jordan Burroughs, Olympic Champion
- Adeline Gray, 5x World Champion
- Kerry McCoy, 2x Olympian
- Kyle Dake, 4x NCAA Champion
- Henry Cejudo, Olympic Champion
- Kyven Gadson, NCAA Champion
- Helen Maroulis, Olympic Champion
- Elena Pirozhkova, Olympian
- Reece Humphrey, 3x World Team Member
- Clarissa Chun, Olympic Bronze Medalist
- Kyle Snyder, Olympic Champion
- Kyle Snyder, Adeline Gray and Bill Zadick Wrestling Clinic
- Jamill Kelly, Olympic Silver Medalist

34 Jamborees & Championships



7 All-Girls Tournaments



890 Summer Camp Scholarships

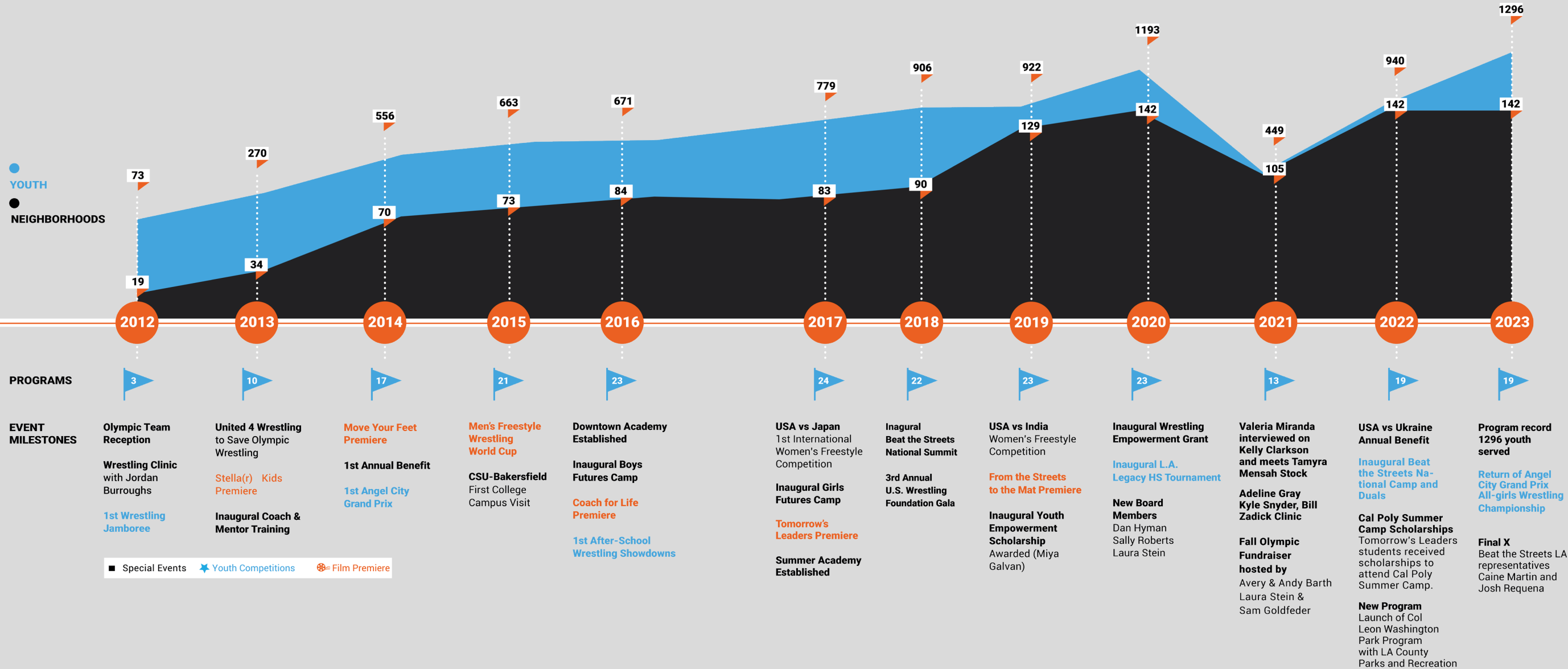


5 International Wrestling Events



- United 4 Wrestling to Save Olympic Wrestling
- Men's Freestyle Wrestling World Cup
- USA vs Japan Women's Freestyle Competition
- USA vs India Women's Freestyle Competition
- USA vs Ukraine Women's Freestyle Competition

Program Growth



CELEBRATE *10 years* OF IMPACT

In December 2022, we commemorated a decade of making a positive impact with an extraordinary two-day event. The weekend commenced with a benefit dinner held at the Flying A Garage in Pasadena, where we gathered coaches, athletes, donors, and supporters to celebrate and raise funds for the mission of Beat the Streets Los Angeles.



During the gala, we premiered a short film that highlighted our first ten years of impact, showcasing the transformative journey of three of our distinguished alumni: Josue Aguilar, Miya Galvan, and Crystal Rodriguez.

These remarkable athletes, who once benefited from our program, have now returned as coaches to mentor the next generation and continue driving their communities toward personal success.

The following day, Beat the Streets hosted an international dual competition at The Barth Athletic Complex, aimed at raising funds for the youth in our organization. This dual meet featured members of both the United States National Team for women and men competing against their counterparts from the Ukrainian National Team, creating an exciting and impactful event.



Current Programs

2022-23 PROGRAMS

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| 1. Antelope Valley | 11. Octavia Butler Middle School |
| 2. Burbank Middle School | 12. Oxnard |
| 3. Col Leon Washington Park | 13. Porter Middle School |
| 4. Dana Middle School | 14. San Pedro |
| 5. Downey | 15. South El Monte |
| 6. Downtown Academy | 16. Topanga Division |
| 7. Edison Middle School | 17. Valor Middle School |
| 8. El Monte | 18. Walnut Park Middle School |
| 9. Irving Middle School | 19. Hope Gardens |
| 10. Marshall Fundamental Middle School | |



2023 Demographics



Ethnicity

Age

Gender

ANGEL CITY GRAND PRIX

is Back!

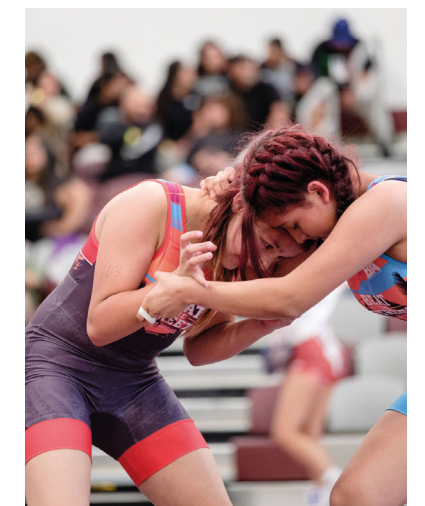


Beat the Streets Los Angeles' Angel City Grand Prix made a triumphant return this season, marking its first occurrence since 2019! The highly anticipated tournament took place at Mt. Sac College on Sunday, April 16, 2023, and surpassed all expectations. More than 240 talented female athletes hailing from California and Arizona participated in our all-girls wrestling tournament.

As a leader in sports-based youth development, Beat the Streets LA introduced the Angel City Grand Prix in 2014, aiming to empower female wrestlers through exceptional learning and competitive experiences. The tournament continues to serve as a platform for fostering growth, empowerment, and recognition within the female wrestling community.

Our organization will continue to encourage the growth of girls wrestling in a sport traditionally dominated by boys participation.

We would like to thank Mt. Sac College, Coach David Rivera and all the volunteers who helped make the latest Angel City Grand Prix possible.





National Team Trip

In the summer of 2022 Beat the Streets Chicago in conjunction with Beat the Streets National hosted the inaugural Beat the Streets National Camp and Duals. We traveled to Chicago to take part in the event the last week in June, 2022 and June, 2023.

Across the two trips we sent 68 student athletes to Chicago to take part in a training camp, career workshops, civic experiences, as well as a friendly dual meet competition between the 11 Beat the Streets cities.

Highlights from the two trips included attending a Chicago Cubs game, an architectural tour of the city, a campus tour at the University of Chicago, and a dinner

cruise to celebrate the week of collaboration and competition.

The first criteria for selection on the Los Angeles team was participation in the Tomorrow's Leaders program. These dedicated highschool girls and boys took part in a series of workshops focused on leadership, career, and college readiness leading up to the trip to Chicago. The week prior to departure included another week of on the mat training and preparation.

We look forward to sending another group of student-athletes to Boston in June 2024 for the third annual camp and duals, hosted by Beat the Streets New England.





Scholarship Program

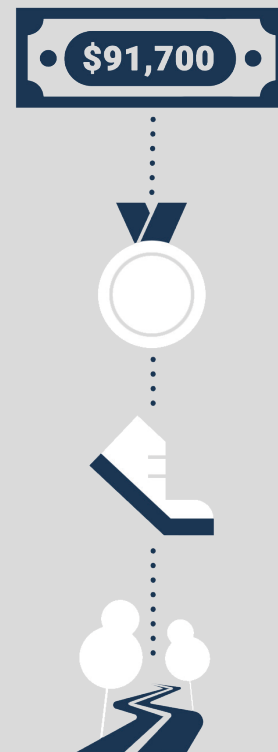
Launched in 2019, our scholarship program supports graduates' first-year educational expenses. Initially awarding \$1,000 to Miya Galvan, we have since disbursed \$44,000 across 29 student-athletes. In August, we allocated \$20,000 among 13 scholarships. Impressively, 12 of these recipients continue both their education and collegiate wrestling careers.

Eight scholarship recipients were part of our 2023 Tomorrow's Leaders program and the Beat the Streets LA National Team. Notably, two awardees, former Beat the Streets youth, returned as coaches after completing associate degrees and are now pursuing four-year degrees.

This program exemplifies our commitment to impacting our youth's lives beyond their time in our programming. We aim to expand and enhance this impact in the coming years.



Empowerment Grant



In October 2019, Beat the Streets Los Angeles launched the Wrestling Empowerment Grant program with the goal of enhancing and fortifying high school wrestling programs across the Los Angeles area. Since its inception, we have granted a total of \$91,700. These funds have been instrumental in supporting various aspects of the programs, including gear and equipment, travel, and tournament expenses.

To qualify for this grant, high school coaches are required to participate in an in-person coaching development course organized by Beat the Streets LA. Over the past four years, we've had the privilege of training hundreds of coaches.

In 2023, a significant milestone was reached as 70 coaches participated in a weekend course. This event featured expert sessions on nutrition, sport psychology, wrestling techniques, and trauma-informed coaching, further empowering and equipping our coaches for the benefit of young wrestlers in the Los Angeles area.



Tomorrow's Leaders Program

Our annual Tomorrow's Leader Program is specially designed to equip student-athletes with the essential skills needed for their journey after high school. The workshops we organize focus on nurturing leadership skills, offering invaluable guidance for college readiness, and preparing for future careers.

In 2023, we had the privilege of welcoming Mike Moor from Wrestling Mindset, who led an exceptional discussion on developing a performance and leadership mindset. Our second workshop featured representatives from Los Angeles Community College, providing our student-athletes with insights on college readiness, the application process, and navigating financial aid. The final workshop emphasized resume building and career development, and it was facilitated by attorney Morris Bird, a former Beat the Streets LA Program Director.

Notably, in 2023, ten of the Tomorrow's Leaders graduates were awarded scholarships to assist with their first-year educational expenses. All ten of these promising young individuals will continue their wrestling journeys at the colleges and universities they are entering in the fall of 2023.

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2022 Financial Information

SUPPORT & REVENUE

Contributions	643,938
Special Events Contributions	\$120,900
Other	\$25,109

**Total Support
& Revenue** **\$669,047**

EXPENSES

Program Services Form 990, page 10, col (B)	\$653,106
Management and General Form 990, page 10 col (C)	\$75,686
Special Events	\$95,791

Total Expenses **\$757,061**

Change in net assets-operations **(\$88,051)**





The transformative power of wrestling is undeniable.

Harnessing the power of the world's oldest and greatest sport to positively impact young people is the most impactful and rewarding work we do every day. We hope you will continue to support our efforts—and encourage others to get involved—as we continue our work to inspire, empower and transform young lives through the sport of wrestling.

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