Your Support

With your assistance, Create Now will continue to provide programs that can change our community by expanding our outreach to thousands more marginalized youth.

Your donations enable Create Now to empower youth by teaching them new proficiencies and positive ways to express themselves.

90 cents of every dollar helps Create Now buy arts supplies, musical instruments, tickets to concerts and plays, plus lasting souvenirs because all of our students receive gift bags to remind them about their accomplishments.

We teach young people skills that not only help today but also prepare them for tomorrow.

Want to change kids’ lives?

Now you can!

There are a variety of ways you can make a difference.

Your financial support enables Create Now to help thousands more youth to find their voices through arts and education.

Learn how you can help at createnow.org

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Our Story
Create Now is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization founded in 1996 with a mission to empower at-risk and high-risk youth through quality programs in all arts that enable kids to heal and thrive. Our goal is to assist youngsters to get out of poverty and into jobs and careers.

The arts give young people a creative outlet to communicate the very real and often difficult feelings they can’t express. Our students explore and develop their abilities in the arts, like writing, performance, music, fashion, culinary, digital media and visual arts. Create Now also promotes opportunities for internships, scholarships and free materials that reach thousands of low-income children in Southern California.

Create Now assists young people to overcome the countless challenges they must deal with, such as poverty, abuse, and homelessness.

Create Now operates in four ways:
1) Volunteer-driven programs that match musicians, dancers, actors, writers, filmmakers and other creative people with the neediest youth who live close to the volunteers’ own neighborhoods.
2) School-based classes at Title 1, charter and continuation schools where students receive zero or limited arts education.
3) Cultural Journeys where each year, we bring thousands of youth to concerts, plays, studios, circus, museums, and unique happenings at premier venues in the region.
4) Community events, including mural projects and arts festivals that take place in disadvantaged neighborhoods at parks, recreation centers, and other public venues. These experiences give parents and neighbors the chance to come together and bond as they participate in memorable creative activities.

We have reached more than 47,000 young people in Los Angeles and adjacent counties.

Create Now is more important than ever.

Our Programs

Our Youth in Need
Los Angeles has more foster youth and homeless children than anywhere else in the nation. Create Now focuses our services on the most vulnerable kids who have survived abuse, neglect, homelessness, domestic violence and sex trafficking, as well as those youngsters who are incarcerated, on probation, or facing similar difficulties, like substance abuse.

We guide the most challenged young people from ages 3 to 24 (transition age) by introducing them to imaginative expressions, teaching job skills and providing resources that can help them lead successful lives. Students discover their many talents. They build confidence and self-esteem, plus they’re motivated to stay in school.

Our goal is to aid youth to break the cycle of poverty and find jobs and careers.