Atlanta Israel Coalition

ANNUAL REPORT

2025

They came home

Standing with Israel. Strengthening our community.

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MISSIONS TO ISRAEL

11 days
HEARTS UNITED, RIGHT AFTER THE WAR WITH IRAN

200
NEARLY THAT MANY SOLDIERS FED AT ONE BARBECUE

3
HOSTAGE FAMILIES WITH US AT BETH JACOB

Jerusalem's Old City, from an AIC trip.



Cheryl at Stand-Up for Israel, Alpharetta, November 20, 2025. Photo by Dani Weiss.

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A note from Cheryl

Dear friends,

They came home. I've waited a long time to write that. On October 13th the last twenty living hostages came home. Back in January, Aviva Siegel sat with us at Beth Jacob with her husband Keith still in Gaza, and Yarden Gonen was there for her sister Romi. I can still hear that room.

In June came twelve days of war with Iran. While a lot of people were leaving, our volunteers landed. They gave blood at Magen David Adom, sat with wounded soldiers in rehab, and cooked for nearly 200 soldiers at a base in Judea and Samaria. One Shabbat dinner ended in a bomb shelter. We were back in December for Hanukkah, because I promised them we'd be back, and we keep our promises.

We needed some Jewish joy, too. So I started hiding ducks. And Daniel-Ryan Spaulding had a full room laughing in Alpharetta, which I can't tell you how much we needed.

I'm still worried. Washington, Boulder, Bondi. You know the names. But we took in $73,949 this year, more than any year before, and you don't have to write a big check to be part of this. Plenty of you bought one thing off a wish list so it would reach one family.

We couldn't do any of this without y'all. Am Yisrael Chai.





Cheryl Dorchinsky
Founder & Executive Director

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Hearts United, and everything after it

Two missions to Israel, three hostage families at Beth Jacob, a room full of laughter in Alpharetta, and a whole lot of ducks.



An AIC volunteer at an outdoor kitchen sink, July 2025

As others left, we went in

Hearts United, Boots on the Ground started on July 14, days after the war with Iran. The team brought rehab supplies for wounded soldiers, comfort items for children in hospital, essentials for displaced families, and equipment for soldiers in the field.



The grill, summer 2025

Fire on the grill

The volunteers cooked a barbecue for reservists at an IDF base in Judea and Samaria. Nearly 200 soldiers ate that day.



In an olive grove in Israel

Back on the land

In December AIC was back, working the land at the Na'aleh therapy farm, delivering toys to a children's home in Kiryat Gat, and restocking Shuva Achim, the stop where soldiers get a meal and what they need.



Kosher ducks, ready to hide

The ducks

Cheryl started hiding kosher-themed rubber ducks for strangers to find. In May AIC invited everyone to join. Every duck has a QR code, and every find drops a pin on a map.



MK Ohad Tal with Cheryl, September 11, 2025

An MK in Toco Hills

Knesset member Ohad Tal walked a Toco Hills crowd through the 12-day war from the inside, then took pointed questions on the north, the hostages and the next round.



Before the show, November 20, 2025. Photo by Dani Weiss.

A full room in Alpharetta

One night of stand-up for Israel, with the proceeds going to AIC's programs.



Four days' notice

Courage in Action came together in four days. Sammy Yahood and Yocheved Ruttenberg came to Buckhead to talk about turning conviction into volunteering, and AIC set up the table.

Courage in Action, Buckhead, October 26, 2025

> *You responded to our call with astonishing generosity. But this wasn't simply tzedakah, it was solidarity.*
>
> — AIC's mission diary, July 2025

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2025 in Israel, and what we did

The year started with a ceasefire and ended with the living hostages home. In between, a war with Iran, and attacks on Jews in Washington, Boulder, Manchester and Sydney.

IN ISRAEL AND THE WORLD

Jan 19	A Gaza ceasefire takes effect, and the first hostages come home.
Feb 20	Hamas returns the Bibas children's bodies.
Mar 18	Israel resumes the war in Gaza.
May 21	Two Israeli Embassy staff are murdered outside the Capital Jewish Museum in Washington.
Jun 1	A firebomb attack on a march for the hostages in Boulder.
Jun 13-24	Twelve days of war between Israel and Iran. The U.S. strikes Iran's nuclear sites on June 22.
Oct 2	An attack on a Manchester synagogue on Yom Kippur.
Oct 13	The last 20 living hostages come home.
Dec 14	Gunmen kill fifteen people at a Hanukkah gathering on Bondi Beach in Sydney.

AT AIC

Jan 12	An Evening of Solidarity and Song, with three hostage families, at Beth Jacob.
Mar 30	Tragic Awakening, and a conversation with Rawan Osman.
May	AIC invites everyone to join the Kosher Duck Revolution.
Jul 14	Hearts United, Boots on the Ground: eleven days of relief in Israel.
Sep 11	MK Ohad Tal on the 12-day war, in Toco Hills.
Oct 26	Courage in Action, in Buckhead, pulled together in four days.
Nov 17	Lt. Col. (Res.) Amos Davidowitz in Milton.
Nov 20	Stand-Up for Israel with Daniel-Ryan Spaulding, in Alpharetta.
Dec 4	Minister Amichai Chikli in Toco Hills.
Dec	Back in Israel for Hanukkah: Jerusalem, Na'aleh farm, Neve Hanna in Kiryat Gat, the Nova site.



Burnt cars from October 7, seen on an AIC mission.

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How we paid for it

AIC's biggest year so far, with grants, program income and a first line of Kosher Duck inventory all on the books. The money market account also paid $26,479 back into checking in October, the $10,000 moved there in 2024 and $16,479 in donations from before 2024.

WHERE IT CAME FROM



Donations 47% Grants 42% Program income 10% Memberships under 1%

Donations	$34,932.84
Grants	$31,181.45
Memberships	$126.00
Program income	$7,709.00
Total revenue	**$73,949.29**

WHERE IT WENT



Events & speakers 64% Missions & relief 19% Education & community 11% Management & general 5%

Events & speakers	$40,377.84
Missions & relief	$12,125.33
Education & community	$6,972.62
Management & general	$3,459.34
Total expenses	**$62,935.13**

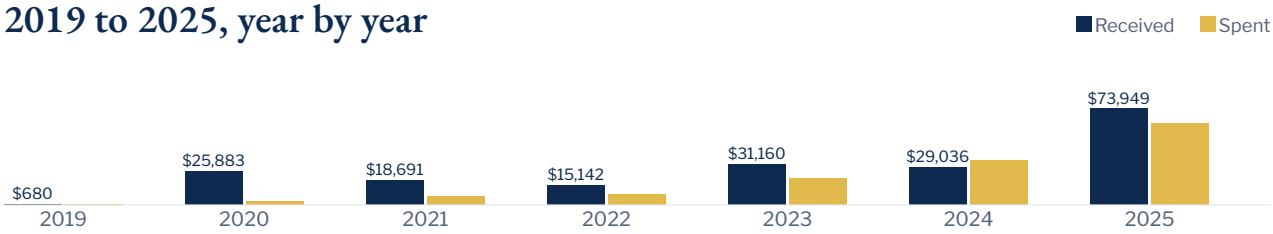
EXPENSES BY LINE

Grants to other organizations	$4,110.18
Speaker fees & honoraria	$3,500.00
Venue, co-host & event costs	$2,882.48
Books & program materials	$230.38
Kosher Duck inventory	$6,972.62
Technology, domains & software	$2,919.34
Travel & local transport	$7,358.80
Program supplies	$34,421.33
Government filings & registrations	$35.00
Insurance	$505.00
Total expenses	**$62,935.13**

CHANGE AND CASH

Revenue less expenses	**$11,014.16**
Transfers with AIC's other PNC accounts and bank corrections	$26,479.31
Opening cash, PNC checking	$38,386.16
Closing cash, PNC checking	**$75,879.63**

2019 to 2025, year by year



These figures are AIC's financial statement for 2025, cash basis, approved by Cheryl Dorchinsky on November 6, 2026 and on file with the board. Cash here means AIC's PNC checking account. Card purchases not yet paid at year end, not in the figures above: $5,960.96.

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Next came 2026. That report is still being written.

ABOUT AIC

AIC (Atlanta Israel Coalition, Inc.) is a grassroots, nonpartisan 501(c)(3) founded in 2018 by Cheryl Dorchinsky and Rabbi Yitz Tendler. We educate, mobilize, and unite communities in support of Israel and against antisemitism, close to home and around the world. Nobody at AIC draws a salary.

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