

FY2025 BuzzFunds Annual Report



Campus
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FY2025 OVERVIEW

Campus Services supports student events by awarding its BuzzFunds allocation to registered student organizations and campus departments that seek additional funding to enhance their events and engage with the campus community.

In the 2024–2025 academic year, BuzzFunds supported a total of 110 events, including a record-breaking 39 Week of Welcome programs and four Campus Services Scholarships awarded to outstanding student leaders. This year also marked a pivotal shift in our funding strategy: we updated the BuzzFunds Guidelines to prioritize broader student impact by discontinuing support for closed RSO events with fewer than 50 attendees. As a result, while the total number of funded events decreased, the reach and visibility of BuzzFunds grew significantly. These changes enabled us to support larger, more inclusive events that engaged a wider cross-section of the student body—ensuring that BuzzFunds continues to be a powerful catalyst for campus connection and community.

111

Events

\$212,903

Awarded

\$1,918

Average Award

Collaborating Across Campus

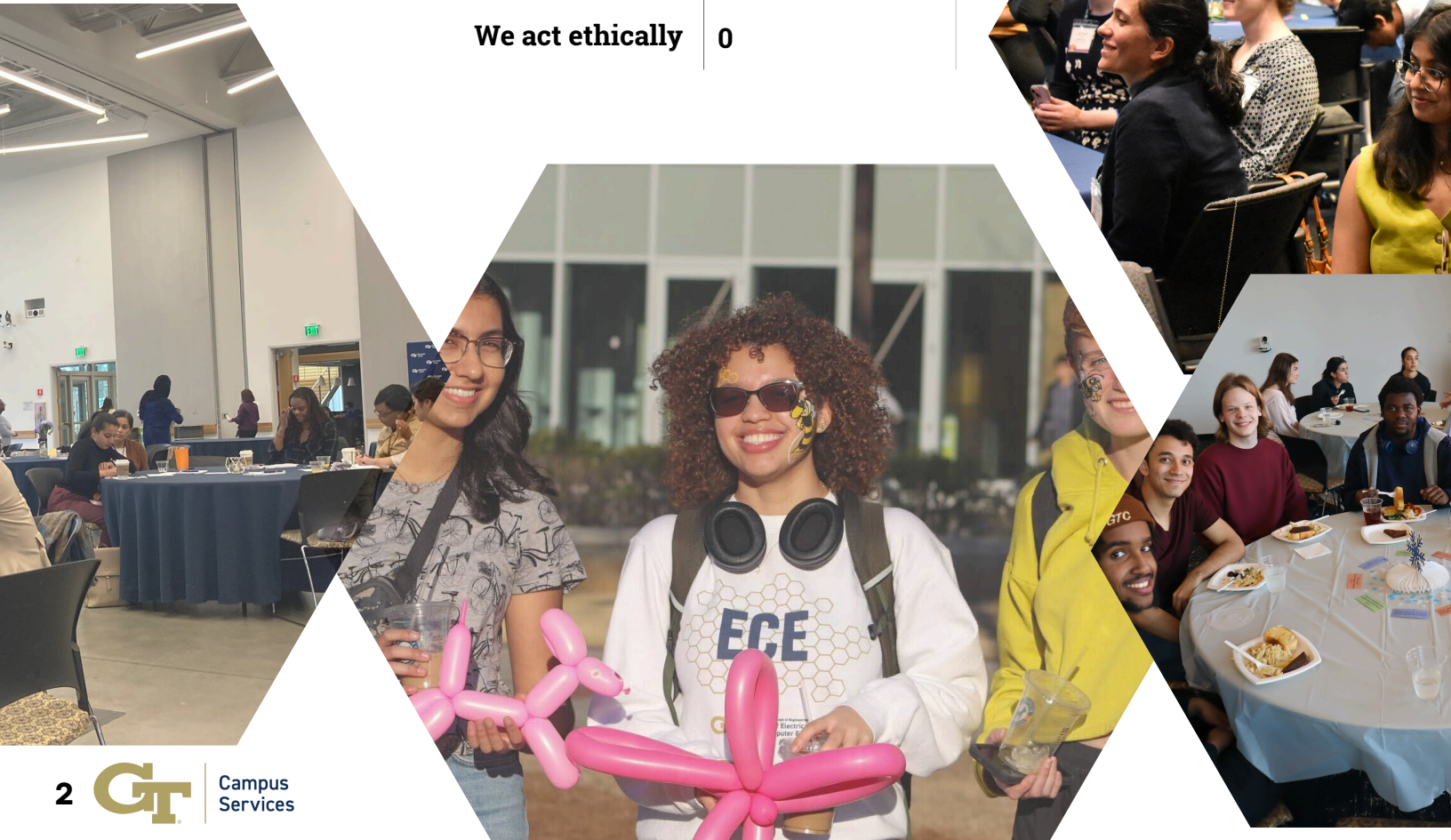
BuzzFunds is a driving force behind some of Georgia Tech's most memorable and unifying student experiences, empowering departments across campus to come together in celebration, support, and school spirit. During Week of Welcome, BuzzFunds helped bring House Party at Bobby Dodd to life—a high-energy kickoff event hosted by the GT Athletics Association that transforms the stadium into a vibrant party space, welcoming thousands of students with music, games, and a powerful sense of Yellow Jacket pride just before the first day of classes. BuzzFunds also fueled the ever-popular Midnight Breakfast, a cherished SCPC tradition where students are treated to late-night pancakes, eggs, and more during finals week—served with a smile by Tech Dining staff and Campus Services administrators who volunteer their time to support students during a stressful season. And when unforeseen challenges arose, BuzzFunds helped turn disruption into opportunity: when a chilled water outage canceled RATS Night, a signature event during Week of Welcome, the GT Campus Recreation team quickly pivoted to create Splash Bash, a poolside celebration planned in under a week that kept the Week of Welcome spirit alive with the support of BuzzFunds.

These events are more than just fun—they're a testament to what's possible when campus partners unite with a shared goal: to create joyful, inclusive, and unforgettable moments that define the Georgia Tech student experience.



Supporting the Strategic Plan

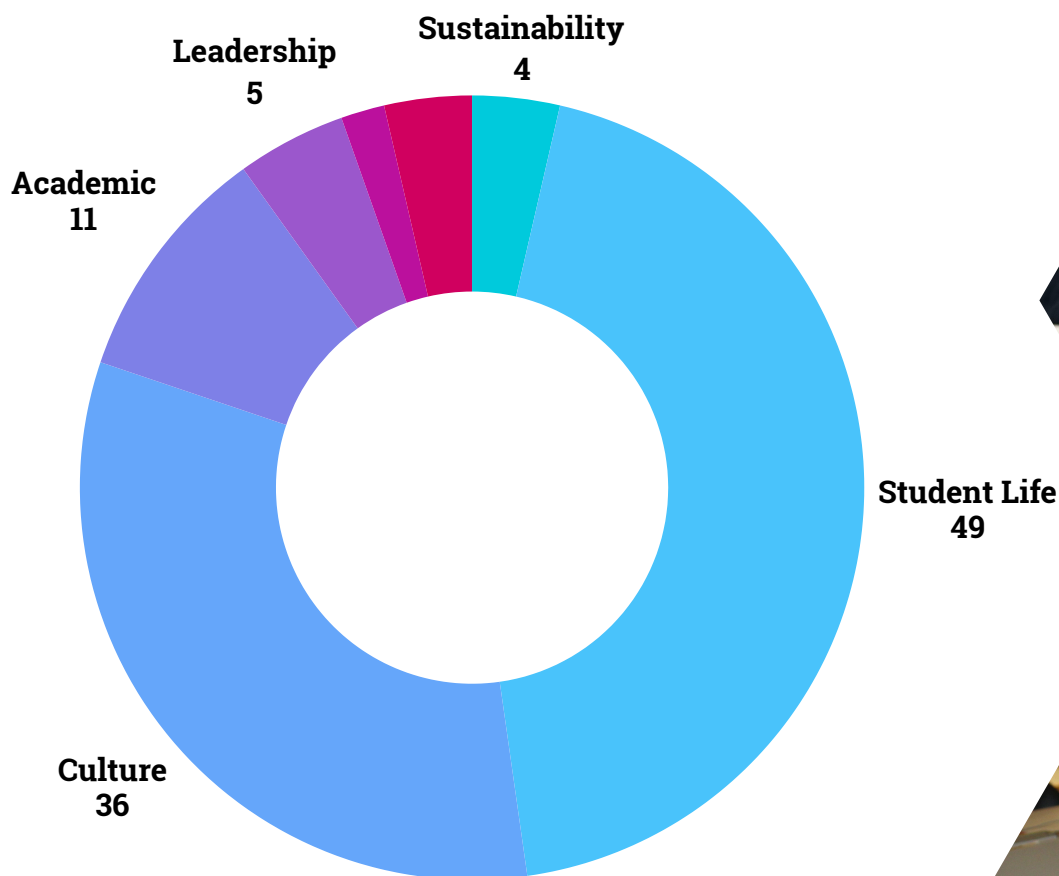
BuzzFunds-supported events this year strongly reflected Georgia Tech’s Strategic Plan values. The most frequently supported value was “We nurture the well-being of our community,” with 49 events fostering connection, care, and student support. The second most supported value was “We thrive on diversity,” with 29 events celebrating and amplifying the diverse voices and experiences on campus. A complete breakdown of how events aligned with each strategic value is available in the infographic below.





Event Categories Breakdown

To better understand how BuzzFunds supported student engagement this year, we analyzed the event categories selected by planners during the funding request process. The most frequently funded category was Student Life, with 49 events—many of which were part of the record-setting 39 Week of Welcome programs. Culture was the second most popular category, with 36 events that celebrated and highlighted the diversity of our campus community. A full breakdown of all event categories can be found in the accompanying infographic.



Campus Services Scholarship

The Campus Services Scholarship celebrates students who have made a remarkable impact on the Institute community through their exceptional leadership, academic excellence, and dedicated service. This prestigious award honors those who have shown a profound and meaningful commitment to fostering a vibrant campus environment and enriching student life through their involvement in various programs, activities, or initiatives. This year, the scholarship recipients were each granted a \$4,000 award to further support their ongoing dedication to the Georgia Tech community.

Scholarship Award Winners

Anu Lal was awarded a scholarship in recognition of her extraordinary leadership, compassion, and commitment to supporting the well-being of her campus community. After joining SMILE, a student organization focused on spreading positivity, she took the initiative to revive and expand a meaningful event in collaboration with VOICE during Sexual Assault Awareness Month. When initial plans for the event were declined due to limited resources, she independently secured funding and organized the event, ensuring its success. She introduced a new approach by distributing 500 painted teal rocks with messages of support across campus, making the initiative more inclusive and accessible. Her determination transformed VOICE Rocks into an annual tradition that continues to uplift and support students across Georgia Tech.



Lauren "Vic" Paulson was recognized with a scholarship for her impactful leadership and dedication to enhancing student life through the arts at Georgia Tech. As Open House Chair and Director of DramaTech Theatre's mainstage production *She Kills Monsters*, she played a pivotal role in building community and fostering creativity on a predominantly STEM-focused campus. Under her direction, over 100 students—including many first-time participants—contributed to the production, which culminated in sold-out final performances. Her efforts helped make the arts more accessible and welcoming, enriching the campus experience for a diverse range of students.

Campus Services Scholarship Award Winners



Jasmine Brown was recognized with a scholarship for her exceptional dedication to student success and career development through her role as an Undergraduate Career Peer Advisor at the Georgia Tech Career Center. She has been instrumental in expanding access to career resources by leading workshops, offering individualized advising, and introducing after-hours virtual appointments to accommodate students with busy schedules. Her standout initiative—a virtual workshop on securing international internships—drew over 200 participants, marking one of the highest turnouts for a student-led Career Center event. Through her efforts, Jasmine has created a more inclusive, accessible, and supportive environment for students navigating their professional journeys.

Jaila Kimbro is being recognized for her outstanding leadership and dedication to STEM outreach as the Pre-Collegiate Initiative Chair for the Georgia Tech Society of Black Engineers. She successfully led the planning and execution of PCI Day, the chapter's largest K–12 STEM outreach event, which brought middle and high school students from underrepresented backgrounds to campus for a day of hands-on learning and mentorship. Her initiative secured \$6,000 in funding to provide STEM kits for each student, extending the impact of the event beyond the day itself. Her efforts exemplify a strong commitment to fostering a more inclusive and diverse STEM community.



Event Testimonials

Sting Break

The event went wonderfully! Sting Break benefitted from BuzzFunds by having activities to cover tech green. Without BuzzFunds all of the inflatable activities on Tech Green (one of the biggest attractions at the event) would not have been possible due to the increase in prices of our carnival rides and food. Students had a great time on the different inflatables like obstacle courses, jousting, etc.

Asiya Khan, SCPC Festivals Chair

Dussehra Fair at Georgia Tech

The Dussehra Fair at Georgia Tech was a fantastic event, attracting over 1,000 attendees and celebrating the festivals theme of good triumphing over evil. Thanks to BuzzFunds, we enhanced the event with entertainment that resonated across cultural lines, helping attendees experience the festivals vibrancy and significance. BuzzFunds covered dance fees for performances by GT groups like GT Bhangra and GT Pulse, whose lively routines became highlights of the fair.

Devanshi Bhargava, Hindu Yuva



Week of Welcome Bricks and Bubbles

Our event was extremely successful! Because of the support from BuzzFunds, we were able to secure both boba tea and Legos, which were the main attractions. These items are highly popular on social media and drew a larger crowd than expected—we initially anticipated around 50 attendees, but about 85 people showed up! Without the support of BuzzFunds, we wouldn't have been able to financially run the event and would have had to limit attendance significantly if relying on our personal funds.

Sarah Steephen, Circle K



Events Awarded

Event	Awarded Amount
180 Degrees Consulting - Spring Networking Night	942.00
African Student Association - Project Africa	600.00
African Student Association - Taste of Africa 10th Anniversary	1,600.00
Afro Dance - AfroVibes	135.00
ASHA for Education - Cinemasala	602.00
ASHA for Education - Dussehara Board Game Night	1,500.00
Bangladesh Student Association - Pohela Boishakh	179.85
BAPS Fellowship - Diwali	7,000.00
Bioengineering Grad Assoc - Bioengineering Day	1,171.00
Chabad Jewish Student Center - Jewish Block Party	1,000.00
China Care Club - Cure Your Cravings	1,250.00
Chinese Student Organization - Starry Night	2,000.00
Circle K International - Bricks & Bubbles	305.00
Consult Your Community - Consult a Lemonade Stand	115.00
CRC - Week of Welcome Splash Bash	1,200.00
Data Science @ Georgia Tech - Hacklytics	2,600.00
Delta Phi Lambda Sorority - Night of Diversity	3,000.00
Doctors Without Borders Student Chapter - Paint and Plant	400.00
Drama Tech Chalk and Talk	26.00
Drama Tech Coffee and Crafts	215.00
Drama Tech Game Night	115.00
Drama Tech Ice Cream Social	78.00
Drama Tech Karaoke	15.00
Drama Tech Lock-In Movie	361.00
Drama Tech Tap Troupe Workshop	6.00
Emerging Leaders Advisory Board	6000.00
Engineers Without Borders - Around the World with EWB	250.00
Engineers Without Borders - EWB Fall Kick-off	588.00
Filipino Student Association - Halo-Halo 2025	113.00
Filipino Student Association - Island Hopping	604.00
Filipino Student Association - Song of the Philippines	500.00
Filipino Student Association Dancing (Pagsasayaw) with the Stars	500.00
First Gen Students Study Hall	106.35
FreShGA - Final Stand	3,800.00
Georgia Tech Athletic Association - House Party at Bobby Dodd	7,000.00
Grad Pride - Grad Pride Poster Session Fall 2024	345.00
Grad SGA - CRIDC	2,400.00
Grad SGA - Grad Picnic	5,729.00
Green Goodbyes - Green Goodbyes Grand Opening	200.00
GT Chamber Choir - Audition Workshop	155.00
GT Chamber Choir - Meet and Greet	188.00
GT Climbing Club - Boulderween	750.00
GT Ice Hockey - GT vs. FSU	1,200.00
FreSHGA - The Final Stand	3,620.00
Georgia Tech Chamber Choir - Chamber Choir Spring Concert	1,545.69
Grad Pride - Queer Science	500.00
Grad SGA - Grad Gala	6,000.00
GT Bhangra - Punjabi Moves N Food	265.00
GT Jadoo - Bollywood Dance Workshop	485.00

Event	Awarded Amount
GT Miracle - Miracle Child Health Day	1,200.00
GT Qurbani - GT Qurbani Workshop	450.00
Hillel - Bagel Break	600.00
Hindu YUVA - Dharma Awareness Week	3,500.00
Hindu YUVA - Dimensions of Wellness Field Day	96.00
Hindu YUVA - Dussehra Fair	1,000.00
Hindu YUVA - myGanesha	2,000.00
India Club - Samosa Social	720.00
K-Buzz - Photocard Decorating	50.00
LGBTQIA Reource Center - History Month Book Club	133.60
LGBTQIA Resource Center - Engineering Panel	600.00
LGBTQIA Resource Center - OUT in ATL	205.00
LGBTQIA Resource Center - Pride Prom	2,250.00
Medtech Hack - Medtech Hack Build Weekend 2/21/25	1,977.00
MedTech Hackathon	400.00
Miracle at GT - Beads of Courage	632.00
Miracle at GT - Dance Marathon 2025	3,240.00
Multicultural Panhellenic Council - MPC Game Night	137.00
Muslim Student Association - Jummah and Snacks	333.00
Muslim Student Association - Techies Touch Grass	200.00
Pakastani Student Association - Saqafat	675.00
Pride Alliance - PrideFest	2,120.00
School of Computer Science Grad Student Assoc - PhD Welcome	3,850.00
School of Cyber Security and Privacy Grad Student Assoc - Poster Symposium	852.70
Science Olympiad at GT - Yellow Jacket Invitational 2/1/25	3,400.00
SCPC - Artlanta	3290.60
SCPC - Buzzy BONDfire	72.85
SCPC - Face Your Fears	769.35
SCPC - Goblet of Games	235.85
SCPC - Golden Mic Gala	237.56
SCPC - GT Ireland Watch Party	282.40
SCPC - Harvest Fest	816.15
SCPC - Helluva History	474.77
SCPC - Homecoming Week Events	4348.13
SCPC - Jeopardy Night	97.08
SCPC - Midnight Breakfast and Relaxation Fest (Fall 2024)	936.10
SCPC - Neon Night	2328.55
SCPC - Oodles of Noodles	405.29
SCPC - Pajama Party	460.42
SCPC - PB&Jam Session	321.59
SCPC - Red Light, Green Light	716.00
SCPC - Sideways' Birthday Bash	2424.15
SCPC - Sting Break Sunset Rodeo	11504.27
SCPC - Take A Prof	2424.15
SCPC - Take-A-Prof (TAP)	1020.00
SCPC - The Great Tech Bake-Off	630.00
SCPC - Touch Grass	2704.83
SCPC - What the Shrek! On Shrek Green	1200.00
SCPC - Wing it to Win it	522.25
SCPC - Midnight Breakfast (Spring 2025)	1,887.69
SHE for Women's Health - Women's Health Bingo	35.00

Event	Awarded Amount
SMILE - March Gladness	348.00
Society of Asian Engineers - Make your Vision Board	246.00
Students Organizing for Sustainability - Green Footprint Scavenger Hunt	642.00
Students Organizing for Sustainability - Urban Agriculture Kick-Off	53.00
TEDxGeorgia Tech Open Mic Night	510.00
The Navigators - Flapjacks & Foursquare	549.00
The Navigators - Snow Cones & Signs	375.00
Vibha at GT - Crafts, Cones, and Clicks	108.00
Vietnamese Student Association - Moonfest	5,000.00
Vietnamese Student Association Sip N' Paint	1,000.00
Welcome to Vertical Flight Society	400.00
Women in Materials Science and Engineering - Connect and Dine 2025	1,905.00
Women's Resource Center - Women's Leadership Conference	2,000.00
Women's Water Polo - Water Polo Info Session	50.00



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