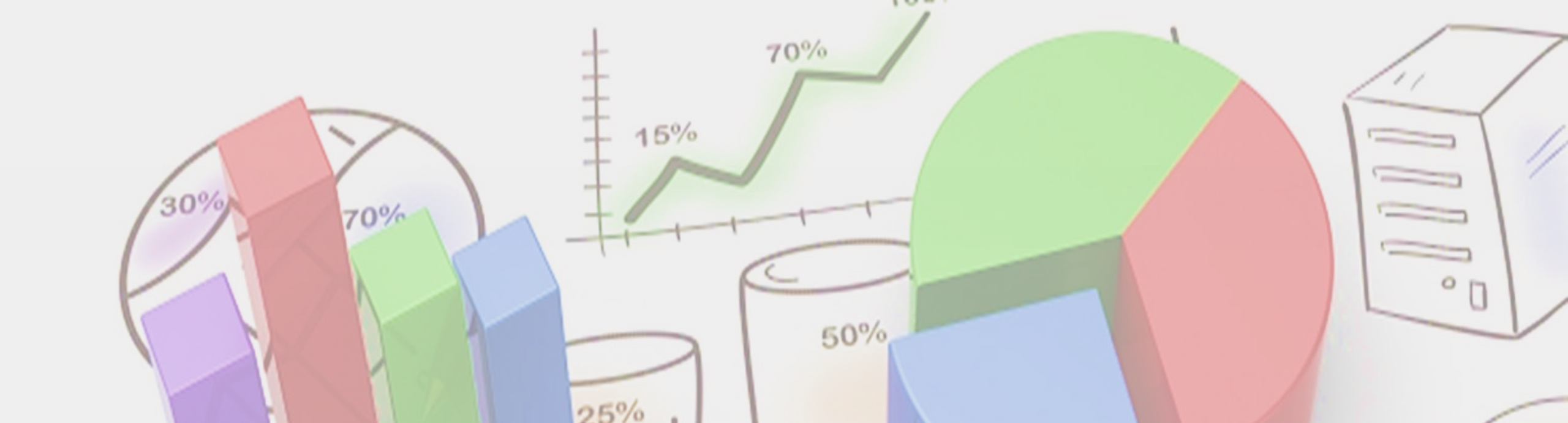




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Why We Exist

REI is a support division that empowers **HCDE** and other educational entities to make informed decisions by delivering high quality, timely, and relevant data and insights.

- Annual Reports
- Data Dashboards
- Data Sharing Events
- Program Evaluations
- Research

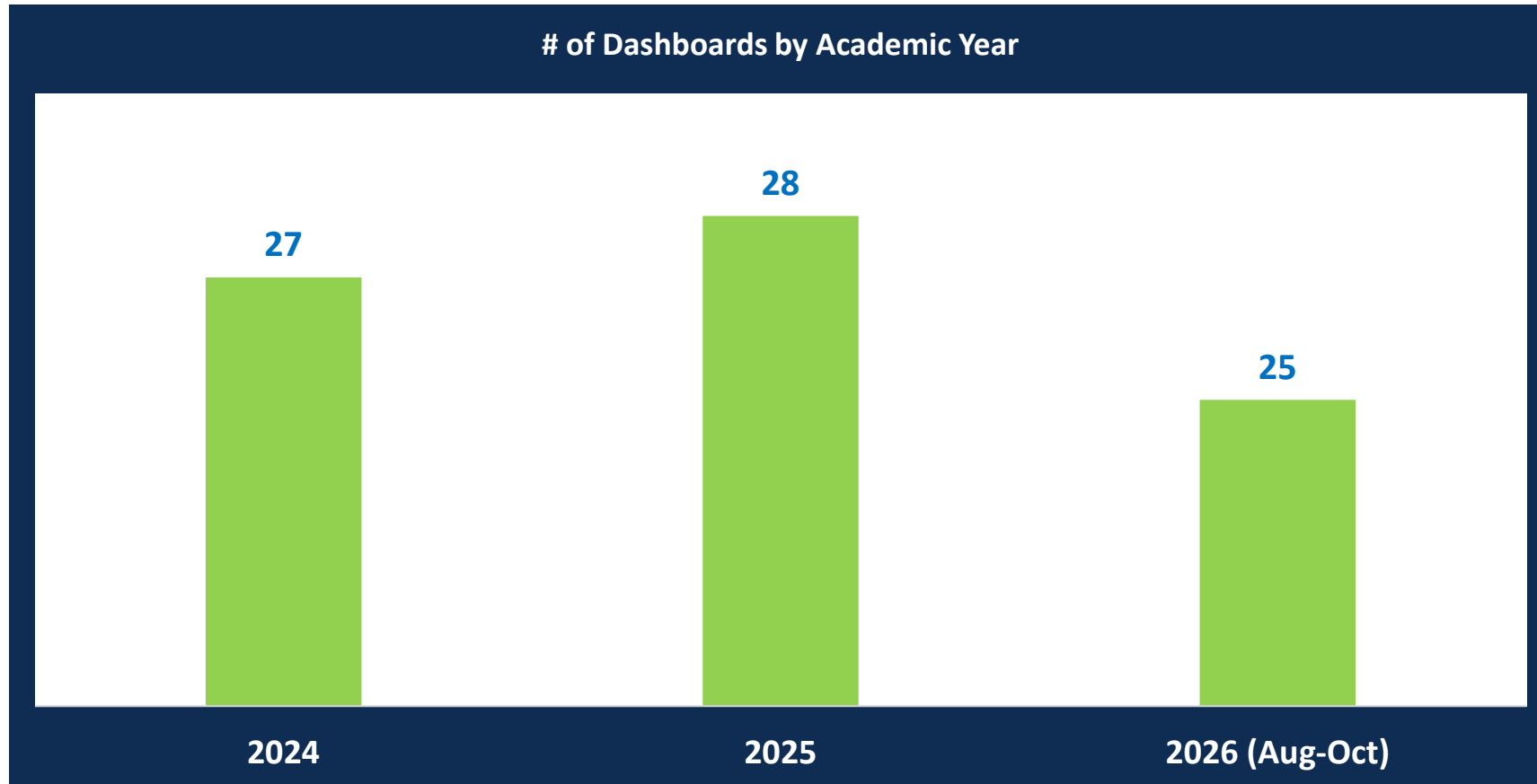


Annual Reports

- **Accountability Reports:** 20 Divisions
 - Service Delivery
 - Outcomes
 - Financial Effectiveness
- **Annual Service Delivery Numbers:** 16 Divisions
 - **221,542** Individuals
 - **191,212** Students
 - **26,123** Educators
 - **4,207** Support Clients
- **Other Adhoc Reports**



Data Dashboards



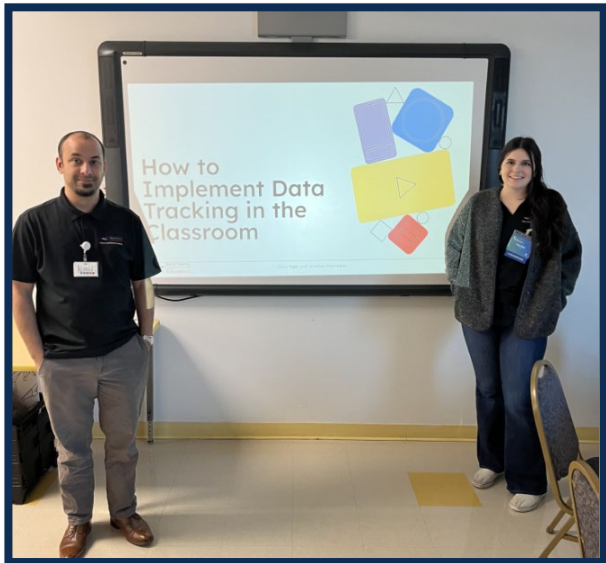
Data Sharing Events

REI facilitates regular data sharing events with HCDE divisions to help divisions effectively interpret and apply data insights for informed decision-making.



Data Sharing Events

In addition, we provide professional development opportunities to equip attendees with the skills needed to understand and use data effectively.



Program Evaluations

REI conducts comprehensive program evaluations by collecting and analyzing quantitative and qualitative data, assessing outcomes against established goals, and providing actionable recommendations to improve program effectiveness and impact.

- Head Start
- CASE for Kids
- Center for Educator Success
- Your Voice Matters



Research

REI conducts research to generate evidence-based insights that inform strategic decisions, improve programs, and support innovation in education.

- **Southwest Educational Research Association Annual Meeting**
 - AI in Education
 - Teacher Certification Trends
 - Benefits of Afterschool Programs
- **5-year Community Assessment Update**
 - Avance
 - Baker Ripley
 - HCDE



Trends

- **Data Dashboards:** Make data easily accessible to divisions through personalized dashboards that provide real-time insights.
- **Leveraging Internal Data:** Using internal data to develop innovative programs and highlight the value and accomplishments of HCDE divisions.
- **Original Research Studies:** Through original research, REI can provide fresh perspectives and actionable findings to strengthen HCDE programs and services.

Questions

