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Community Report





How would you like to leave your
PHILANTHROPIC MARK?

From Our Leadership

In the past year, the Community Foundation’s grants have helped thousands of patients, campers, artists, children, seniors, and students live better, more enriched lives. The Foundation has also supported volunteer fire departments, community parks, local rivers, and animal shelters and rescue efforts.

Our generous donors and dedicated staff have ensured that our resources have been put to the highest and best philanthropic uses.

By investing in all of these causes, the Community Foundation is a consistent source for community betterment. It’s an honor to steward charitable resources for the long-term benefit of our beloved Hill Country.

With gratitude,

Jim McAfee
Board President

Austin Dickson
Executive Director





Kerr Konnect | An intrepid group of citizens established a ride-share program for low- and fixed-income seniors in Kerr County. The Foundation gave for start-up funding.

Grantmaking

Seeing the Bigger Picture

The Community Foundation makes the majority of its charitable investments through its donor-advised or donor-established funds. On average, Foundation donors annually give **\$2 million** to the local organizations.

Local Philanthropy

Donors recommend hundreds of grants each year.



Bandera Library

Right on the courthouse square, the Bandera County Public Library is the center of community in so many ways. A Foundation donor made a grant to replace the Library’s air conditioning system.



Southwest Research Institute

A donor established a designated fund to support research and development into cures for hand tremors, particularly in older adults. SRI invents medical and scientific devices as its mission.



Friends of Gillespie County Country Schools

A Foundation donor made a grant to repair the wiring in the historic Crabapple School.

Scholarships

Awards for business students, nursing, agricultural fields, and law enforcement – these are just some of the scholarships trusted by the Community Foundation. These funds, an example of exceptional generosity here in the Hill Country, are an investment in the next generation.



2018 Scholarship Recipient
Dylan Harmer



2018 Scholarship Recipient
Kaylee Kramer

Community Impact Fund

Making a Local Difference

On an annual basis, the Community Foundation invites qualified nonprofits to apply for grants for general operating support or for specific programmatic needs. Organizations are vetted by a Committee, and those that meet high standards of impact and efficiency are awarded grants with as few restrictions as possible.



Kendall County Women's Shelter received an unrestricted grant. The Shelter annually serves over 200 women and children as well as several dozen pets.

See All The Good



Admiral Nimitz Foundation Support for the Annual Symposium

The National Museum of the Pacific War's symposium draws WWII experts, aficionados, veterans, and students to learn about this important part of American history.

Hill Country Alliance Operating General Support

The Alliance creates coalitions, advocates, and educates about pressing environmental issues. They work to make our rivers cleaner and night skies starrier.



Community Impact Fund Grantees



Children's Association for Maximum Potential (CAMP) Support for Hill Country Campers

Camp CAMP in Center Point has a beautiful, 55-acre property along the Guadalupe for a variety of activities for children with disabilities and medical needs.

Arthur Nagel Community Clinic Operating General Support

Bandera County's only free health clinic works hard to meet the medical and wellness needs of low-income families in the area.





“The Community Foundation is our regional endowment, supporting immediate and long-term needs of the Hill Country.”

New Initiatives

Expanding Horizons in Our Communities

The Community Foundation continually evaluates the community's needs and responds when appropriate. Nonprofit scholarships and *Sisterhood for Good* are two programs that support nonprofits' unmet needs.



Nonprofit Scholarships | Brenda Thompson, Executive Director of the Dietert Center in Kerrville, received a Nonprofit Scholarship to attend the national Meals-on-Wheels conference in Atlanta. This grant program supports professional development for nonprofit employees.



Pictured (l to r): Leadership Team gathers to plan events: Lisa Dyal, Karin Tackett, Krista Copeland, Jeanne Stacy and Jocie Nylec - not pictured: Molly Adams

Kerrville

Grantee: Divinity Family Services

The Kerrville Sisterhood granted \$16,000 to Divinity Family Services to aid foster care children in the area.

Sisterhood for Good

The power of collective giving

Fredericksburg

Grantee: Fredericksburg ISD Education Foundation

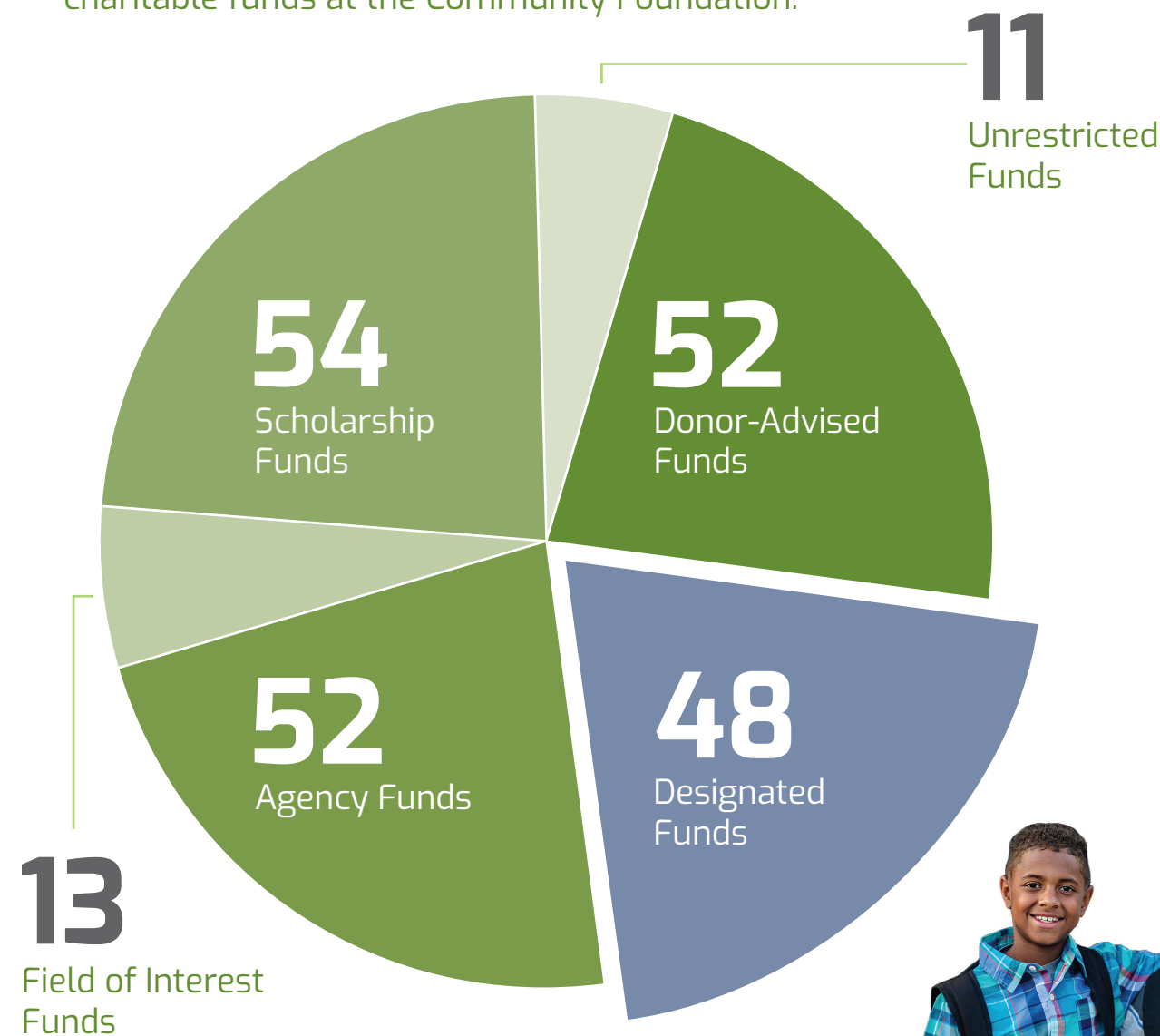
Over 100 women participated in the process to grant \$30,000 to the FISD Education Foundation!



Pictured: Members honor FISD Education Foundation at the Sisterhood Finale.

Fund Types

Local donors have established many types of charitable funds at the Community Foundation.



School Smiles: Ingram ISD student benefit fund is a Designated Fund that helps students with urgent needs.



Stronger Together

So Many Ways to Give

More than 230 funds make up the Community Foundation. It's a diverse mix of scholarships funds, donor-advised funds with active donor participation, nonprofit endowments, and estate gifts that have been established for specific charities or local causes.

Everyone has a preferred way to make an impact, and the Community Foundation offers a diverse set of options to make the most with philanthropic gifts.

Funds

Strength in Diversity

Families, businesses, nonprofits, and civic groups all participate. Many funds are also created by estate gifts to support charities in perpetuity. Together, these funds make up a dynamic charitable endowment for all types of worthy causes.



There's more than one way
TO GIVE.



"We were thrilled with the Community Foundation's options for our family. Our donor-advised fund is a part of both our financial plan and our giving plan."

Carmen and Jimmy Reno

New Funds

In 2018, the Community Foundation welcomed 16 new funds

- Chip and Jenny Chase Fund
- Darter Family Fund
- Deborah Wiemers Hemphill Fund
- Fredericksburg Academic Boosters Fund
- FISD Education Foundation Fund
- Habitat for Humanity Kerr County Fund
- Hill Country CASA Fund
- Karolyn Kolb Martinez "Excellence in Nursing" Fund
- KUTS Fund
- LaTour Family Fund
- Mike Cayce Scholarship Fund
- Reno Fund
- Rotary Club of Boerne Foundation Endowment Fund
- Susan and Billy Johnson Fund
- Stevens Music Scholarship Fund
- Texas Hill Country Cowboy Gathering Fund

Here to Help

The Community Foundation is a philanthropic partner for individuals, families, and businesses. Please give us a call, stop by, or mention us to your professional advisor.



Share the View

Make an Impact Starting Today

Many people come to a point in life where they are inclined to give back. Working with the Community Foundation is a smart way to make a charitable impact on the causes important to you. Whether you have a single charitable interest or several, whether you want to support nonprofits or make scholarships, whether you want a short-term plan or a long-term, endowed fund that will last forever – these are all options you can tailor to your needs.

Giving is a way to support organizations that have touched your life. It's also a way to create a legacy and pass along values to the next generation. For as many motivations as there are to give, there are ways of giving. The key is to find the best fit.

Talk with your advisor about your financial goals – taxes, timing, income – and how charitable giving fits within that; the Community Foundation is your and your advisor's partner on these matters. It's our sole expertise.

Financials

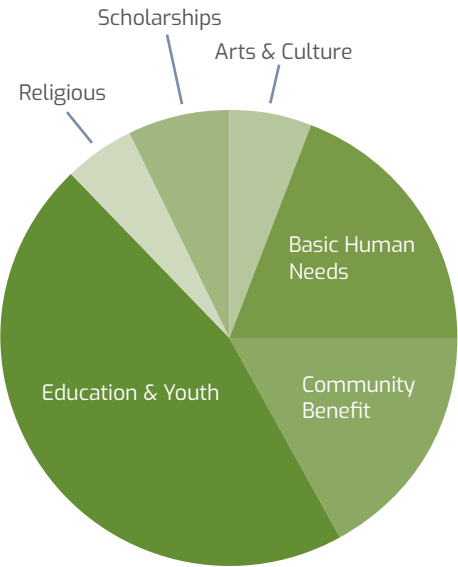
In 2018, the Foundation benefited from \$2.8 million in donations and distributed \$2.4 million in grants and scholarships: a tremendous impact, even in a down-market year.

Revenue	2017	2018
Contributions	\$6,351,339	\$2,788,316
Investment Returns	\$2,169,722	(\$966,483)
Subtotal	\$8,521,061	\$1,821,833
Expense		
Grantmaking	\$2,371,519	\$2,409,096
Operating Expenses	\$447,963	\$476,812
Subtotal	\$2,819,482	\$2,885,908
Net Assets	\$24,708,496	\$23,644,422

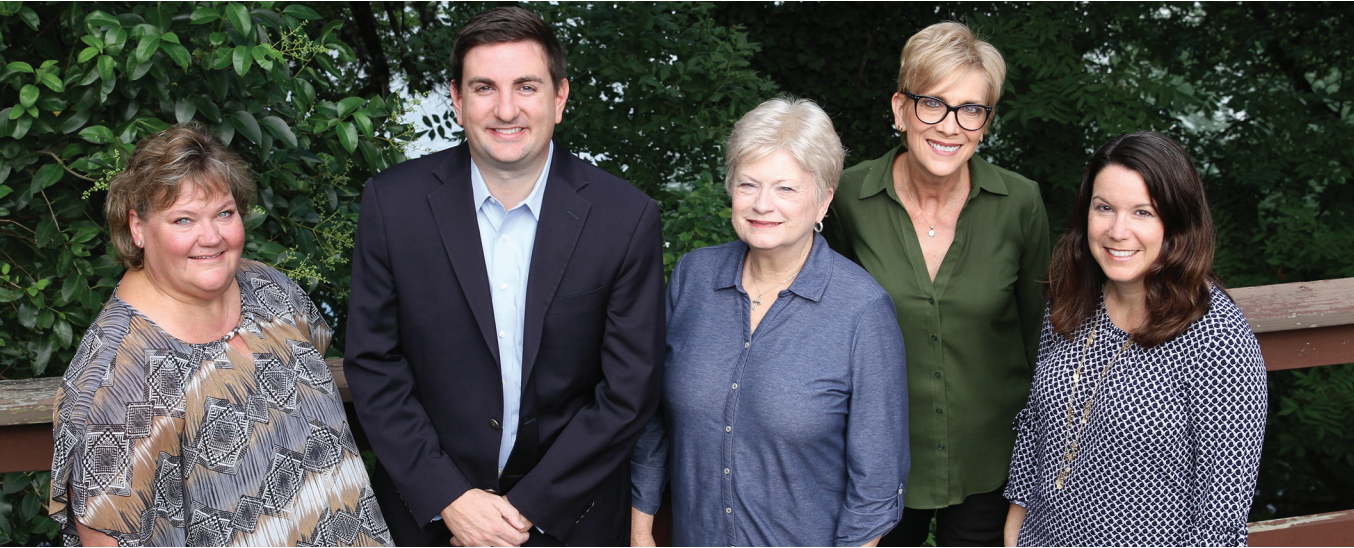
2018 Grantmaking

Arts & Culture \$147,288	Education & Youth \$1,103,858
Basic Human Needs \$449,181	Religion \$123,314
Community Benefit \$410,828	Scholarships \$171,792

The Foundation's audit is conducted by Massey Itschner & Co. The full report and the 2018 Form 990 are available on the Foundation's website.



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