



**COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION**
— of the —
TEXAS HILL COUNTRY

ANNUAL REPORT



Enchanted Rock, on the border of Gillespie and Llano counties, is the largest monadnock - an isolated rock hill - in the United States. It's an icon of the Hill Country.

The Community Foundation of the Texas Hill Country is our region's philanthropic endowment. As a public charitable foundation, our mission is to support a thriving Hill Country by:

- Making grants to local nonprofits
- Managing charitable assets for families, organizations, and communities
- Awarding academic scholarships
- Developing strong nonprofits
- Leading on civic issues in cities, counties, and throughout the region

FROM OUR LEADERSHIP

Limestone is one of the many iconic features of the Hill Country. Whether it's weathered cliffs or old stone buildings, the rock is a hallmark of this place. When we think of the Community Foundation's work, the sturdiness and durability of limestone comes to mind. Our annual report features stone walls from various nonprofits throughout the region. The cover shows stone from the Guthrie Building, the Foundation's headquarters, built in 1887.



In the past year, the Community Foundation has made \$7 million in grants to Hill Country communities. There have been grants for general operating support, scholarships, help with capital campaigns, and project-based support. Through 702 grants made last year, the Foundation has funded new playgrounds, bought groceries for struggling families, offered tuition assistance for hard-working students, supplied museums with updated technology, and so much more.

The Community Foundation is doing good now and for the long term. We are as solid as rock.

With gratitude,

Austin Dickson
Chief Executive Officer

Mark Haufler
Board President

GRANTMAKING

The Community Foundation granted \$6.5 million to nonprofits throughout its 10-county service area in 2022. There were 160 organizations that received at least one grant from the Foundation.

ARTS AND CULTURE are essential to thriving communities both as a mode of expression and artistry as well as a social outlet for residents and visitors alike.



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In addition to funding museums, music, and murals, the Community Foundation also supported:

- Art classes at the **Hill Country Arts Foundation** in Ingram (top)
- The **Fredericksburg Theater Company's** production of *Mary Poppins* (bottom left)
- **Playhouse 2000's** "Shakespeare in the Park," which this past year was *Pericles*. (bottom right)

BASIC NEEDS, such as groceries, school supplies, medical treatment, and mental health resources are a core part of the Community Foundation's grantmaking. In 2022, the Foundation granted \$630,000 for basic needs.

Booming communities, like Boerne, are not only experiencing growth, but also more need. The Foundation supported **Hill Country Mission for Health, Hill Country Daily Bread Ministries, The Center, the Kendall County Women's Shelter**, and 12 other Boerne charities in 2022.

One grantee, **Hill Country Family Services** (pictured right), operates a farmers' market for fixed income seniors.



In hard-to-reach areas, like Bandera County, homebound seniors get hot, nutritious meals delivered by **Silver Sage** (pictured above) and its fleet of Jeep Cherokees. Bandera has some of the longest, most remote Meals on Wheels routes in the Hill Country, but that doesn't stop Silver Sage from its daily deliveries to over 250 households.

UVALDE

On May 24, 2022, the world changed. When tragedy struck in Uvalde, there were many types of responses. At the Community Foundation, we led a philanthropic response that helped so many and will continue to do so for the foreseeable future.

SUPPORT FOR SURVIVORS

The Community Foundation's **Uvalde Strong Survivors Fund** collected \$1.1 million from local donors and others around the country.

In order to legally, fairly, and transparently pass along these funds to those affected by the tragedy, the Community Foundation hired the National Compassion Fund to coordinate the distribution of funds.

Together the Community Foundation and the National Compassion Fund selected a local steering committee and built relationships with other organizations that collected funds for survivors, including the San Antonio Area Foundation, the Texas Bankers Foundation, the OneStar Foundation, First State Bank of Uvalde, and GoFundMe.

In total, \$22 million was given to 449 households in Uvalde.

SUPPORT FOR THE COMMUNITY

Donors from around the country gave \$2.6 million to the **Community Foundation's Uvalde Forever Fund**, which supports short- and long-term needs of Uvalde. Numerous companies - such as Apple, the Dallas Cowboys, Google, Macy's, Starbucks, and Texas Instruments - many foundations, and over 2,000 individuals from all 50 states donated to the Fund.

The Uvalde Forever Fund made grants to the Uvalde community in 2022 and will do so in the coming years. It's guided by Lucy Capt, Uvalde Forever Fund Coordinator, and Advisory Committee members Mimo Alejandro, Michael Contreras, Brad Farr, Elena Lara, and Cody Smith.



Daniel Tiger and other PBS characters have visited children in Uvalde thanks to the **Uvalde Forever Fund** of the Community Foundation. Mental health and healing is a top priority of the Fund.



In partnership with **Bank of America**, the **San Antonio Area Foundation**, and the **San Antonio Spurs**, the Community Foundation's Uvalde Forever Fund has helped build playgrounds and renovate parks in Uvalde.

SCHOLARSHIPS

A quality education is only possible when there is opportunity. The Community Foundation is committed to opening doors for as many young people as possible through its academic scholarship programs.

The Foundation awarded \$439,000 to 100 students in 2022.



Charles Walker a graduate of Our Lady of the Hills and a Biology major at Texas A&M, received the Kiwanis Club of Kerrville Scholarship.



Dacey Kunz received the Frantzen-Rinker Business Scholarship to attend Texas Tech at the Hill Country University Center.

WOMEN'S PHILANTHROPY

Sisterhood for Good, a women's giving circle with a group in Fredericksburg and in Kerrville, convenes each spring for fun events and lots of giving to local causes.



Kerrville Sisterhood for Good Leadership Team celebrates granting over \$19,000 to Kerr-area nonprofit organizations in 2022.



Sisterhood for Good in Fredericksburg: Dessert Dash Table Winners show off their cake choice. SFG Fredericksburg granted almost \$26,000 to Gillespie-area nonprofit organizations in 2022.

2022 GRANTEES

A Doggie 4 You
Alamo Public Telecommunications Council
American Red Cross - Hill Country Chapter
Animal Welfare Society of Kerr County
Any Baby Can of San Antonio
Arcadia Live
Arms of Hope
Art 2 Heart
Arthur Nagel Community Clinic
Bandera County Junior Livestock Show Assn
Big Brothers Big Sisters of South Texas
Big Fix Homeless Cat Project
Bluebonnet Children's Center
Boerne Reads
Boy Scouts of America, Alamo Area Council
Boys & Girls Clubs of the Texas Hill Country
Brighter Days Horse Refuge
Center Point Cemetery Association
Center Point United Methodist Church
Central Texas Food Bank
Children's Association for Maximum Potential
Children's Bereavement Center of South Texas
Christian Assistance Ministry
Christian Job Corps of Gillespie County
Christian Men's Job Corps of Kerr County
Christian Women's Job Corps of Kerr County
Cibolo Center for Conservation
City of Fredericksburg
City of Kerrville
Comfort Baptist Church
Comfort Cemetery Association
Comfort Golden Age Center Foundation
Comfort Table and Pantry
Comfort Volunteer Fire Department
Cross Trails Ministry
Diamond Dachshund Rescue of Texas

Dietert Center
Doyle Community Center
El Progreso Memorial Library
Families & Literacy
Farmers & Hunters Feeding the Hungry
Former Texas Rangers Foundation
Fredericksburg Academic Boosters
Fredericksburg CME Church
Fredericksburg Dog Park Association
Fredericksburg Food Pantry
Fredericksburg Music Club
Fredericksburg Nature Center
Fredericksburg Theater Company
Gaddis United Methodist Church
Gillespie County Child Services Board
Gillespie County Crime Stoppers
Gillespie County Historical Society
Good Samaritan Center
Grace Center of Fredericksburg
Habitat for Humanity Kerr County
Habitat for Humanity of Greater Fredericksburg
Harper Agricultural & Livestock Organization
Harper Community Park Association
Harper Historical Society
Hill Country Alliance
Hill Country Arts Foundation
Hill Country CASA
Hill Country Community Needs Council
Hill Country Crisis Council
Hill Country Daily Bread Ministries
Hill Country Family Services
Hill Country Mission for Health
Hill Country Pregnancy Care Center
Hill Country Rehabilitation House
Hill Country Sheep & Goat Organization
Hill Country University Center Foundation

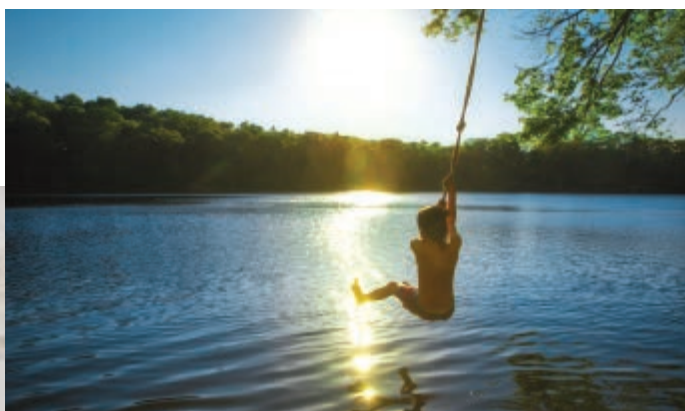
Hill Country Vocal Arts Society
Hill Country Youth Orchestras
Hill Country Youth Ranch
Hunt United Methodist Church
Hunt-Japonica Cemetery Association
Immanuel Lutheran Church
Junction Community After-School Program
Keep Utopia Beautiful
Kendall County Animal Shelter
Kendall County Women's Shelter
Kerr Arts & Cultural Center
Kerr County 4-H
Kerr County Child Services Board
Kerr County Crime Stoppers
Kerr County Junior Livestock Assn
Kerr County Mental Health Center
Kerr County YMCA
Kerr County Young Life
Kerr Konnect
Kerr Regional History Center
Kerrville Chalk Festival
Kerrville Church of Christ
Kerrville First United Methodist Church
Kerrville Perpetual Care Cemetery Assn
Kerrville Pets Alive
Kerrville Public School Foundation
KLRN Endowment Fund
K'STAR
Light on the Hill at Mount Wesley
Mercy Gate Ministries
MOM Center
Museum of Western Art
New Hope Counseling Services
Notre Dame Catholic Church
Notre Dame Catholic School
Our Lady of the Hills College Prep

Pedernales Animal Welfare Society
Peterson Health Foundation
Peterson Hospice
Playhouse 2000
Pregnancy Resource Center
Rainbow Senior Center
Raphael Community Free Clinic
Riverside Nature Center
Rotary Club of Kerrville
Rotary District 5840
Salvation Army of Kerrville
San Antonio Food Bank
Schreiner University
Silver Sage
Special Opportunity Center
St. Anthony's Catholic Church
St. Mark Presbyterian Church
St. Peter Upon the Water
St. Philip's Episcopal Church
St. Vincent de Paul - Notre Dame Conference
Still Water Camps
Symphony of the Hills Association
Texas Heritage Music Foundation
Texas Lions Camp
Texas Public Radio
Texas Ramp Project
Texas Youth Hunting Program
The Ultimate Gift of Life
Tierra Linda Volunteer Fire Department
Veterans Assistance Dogs of Texas
Volunteer Services Council
Waring Volunteer Fire Department
Wildlife Rescue & Rehabilitation
YMCA of Greater San Antonio
Zion Lutheran Church

NEW FUNDS

Over 240 funds make up the Community Foundation, and in 2022, 17 new funds were established.

- 4A Fund
- American Lumber – Uvalde Strong Fund
- Bobby & Molly Sagebiel Scholarship Fund
- Donna & Dan Magee Charitable Fund
- El Progreso Memorial Library Endowment Fund
- Fonza Bell Lawther Charitable Fund
- Gretchen Broun Stacy Camp Scholarship Fund
- Harter Charitable Fund
- Jacob Krebs Memorial Youth Hunt Fund
- Jerry & Kathy Wilson Fund
- JMT Fund
- Kerrville Parks & Recreation Foundation Fund
- Makenna Lee Elrod Foundation Fund
- Medina Community Center Fund
- Shirlee Proffit Special Education Fund
- Uvalde Forever Fund
- Uvalde Strong Survivors Fund



The **Gretchen Broun Stacy Camp Scholarship Fund** will support campers with financial hardships, so that everyone can experience summer camp.

Kay and Rick Harter established a field of interest fund to facilitate their local and national giving. The Harters live in the Riverhill community in Kerrville.



The **Makenna Lee Elrod Foundation Fund** is a scholarship for Uvalde High School graduates. Makenna was killed on May 24, 2022, at Robb Elementary School. This picture is a mural featuring Makenna on East Nopal Street in Uvalde.

The **Shirlee Proffit Fund** supports activities of Kerrville ISD's special education department, like Field Day.



FINANCIALS

Through donations and bequests, the Community Foundation received a record number of contributions in the past year. Of the total received, \$3.9 million was earmarked for the response in Uvalde.

Revenue	2021	2022
Contributions	\$8,515,036	\$12,144,259
Investment Returns	\$3,002,558	(\$5,299,679)
Total Revenue	\$11,517,594	\$6,844,581
Expenses		
Grantmaking	\$5,735,614	\$7,014,864
Operating Expenses	\$563,686	\$633,874
Total Expenses	\$6,299,300	\$7,648,738
Net Assets	\$41,950,471	\$41,146,314

The Community Foundation's net investment return for 2022 was -15.5%. While 2022 was the fourth most challenging year for stocks since WWII, the Foundation effectively managed risks with a focus on diversification and quality.

The five most recent audit reports and filed Form 990 are available on the Foundation's website. Its audit is conducted by Massey Itschner & Co.



The Community Foundation is accredited by Community Foundations National Standards and receives the highest recognition for excellence from both Candid and Charity Navigator.



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Our current Executive Committee is composed of (from left) Mark Haufler, Austin Dickson, Tina Woods, Karol Schreiner and Judy Hutcherson (not pictured).



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The Community Foundation serves Bandera, Blanco, Edwards,
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