A Newsletter of the Dallas Community Foundation

Winter 2022

### **Giving Back in 2021**

### Highlights from the 2021 Grant Distribution

In 2021, Dallas Community
Foundation awarded \$45,000
in grants to local non-profit
organizations addressing a variety
of causes and needs, enriching the
Dallas community.

#### Food and Resources to Ensure No One Should Go Hungry

A lack of adequate nutrition and food insecurity can be a significant stressor for families. It can be detrimental to the health of seniors and impact kids' ability to be successful in school. James 2 Community Kitchen purchased a free-standing commercial oven, enabling the program to efficiently serve more people with their weekly dinner program. Dallas Food Bank provided protein foods and personal hygiene items to over 2,688 people in need. Dallas Youth Garden interns



A new commercial oven in use. "Our cooks are so thrilled with it. It heats evenly and maintains temperature so cooking for a crowd is so much easier. Thanks again Dallas Community Foundation."

- James 2 Community Kitchen



gained valuable job skills while planning, planting, maintaining, and harvesting 4,100 pounds of fresh produce for local food programs. Nearly 200 Dallas school kids in need received a supply of food and fresh produce from The Kindness Club Friday Bag program, ensuring they would have sufficient food to eat at home over the weekend.

## Supporting Health and Well-Being

Polk Community Free Clinic provided free medical and mental health care for the under and uninsured and established a Women's Preventative Care initiative. Through this new program, over 40 patients have received routine women's exams, including critical screenings for cancer and other health concerns. Family Building Blocks offered respite care to at-risk families - a safe, therapeutic environment for children and time for parents to access critical services, doctor appointments, court appointments, and self-care. Community Mediation Services for Polk County delivered conflict resolution between families, neighbors, victims and offenders. Sable House provided trauma support and educational services to young victims of domestic violence. Dallas Retirement Foundation purchased cardio-fitness equipment for use by seniors, increasing opportunities to remain active.

Bambinos, Oregon improved their capacity to provide car seats, diapers, supplies and other services



This little Bambinos client needed specialty formula well past the age of two. "Grants allow us to say "yes" to supplementing formula cost for families in need like hers."

- Bambinos, Oregon

to families in need. Kids Inc. gave 17 scholarships, removing financial barriers so youth could participate in sports. Polk County Resource Center leveraged funds to help families overcome urgent needs. Unexpected emergencies can quickly overwhelm families

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# A Word from the President

Dear Friends of the Dallas Community,

Fach of us dreams that as individuals, we play a role in making the world a better place. Step by step, act of kindness by act of kindness, we try to make a difference. Why is that? I believe the core reason is that we believe in the concept of "connectedness". That is defined as "a feeling of belonging to or having affinity with a particular person or group." Connectedness ties us together in this complex, multi-faceted world. It helps us understand we have responsibility to others beyond ourselves.

The Dallas Community
Foundation has been here in
Dallas for more than 20 years
returning more than \$1,200,000
back through scholarships and
grants. Please join with me,
the DCF board and broader
community with a donation that
will make a difference in a life.

Sincerely,

Bob Brannigan

President

Dallas Community

Foundation



### **Welcome New Board Members!**

This fall, DCF board welcomed two new members, Kim Kellison and Gus Hughbanks. Kim Kellison replaced David Parrett, who stepped down at the end of his term after many years of dedicated service to the Foundation. Thank you for your service, David! Gus Hughbanks will serve the remainder of the term held by Debbie MacLean who moved from Dallas earlier this year.



Kim Kellison serves
as the Director of
Teaching and Learning
for the Dallas School
District. This is her
seventh year as
an administrator

overall and the beginning of her fifth year in the Dallas School District. Throughout her career in education, which began in 1990, she has served as a language arts and social studies teacher at the secondary level. Kim is extremely proud of her two daughters and has been married for 21 years to her husband Curt. She enjoys quilting, hiking, traveling, college football and spoiling her dog, Kona. As a fifth generation Oregonian, Kim is proud of her small town roots in the McKenzie River valley.



During his 30-year career with the United States Department of Agriculture, Gus Hughbanks acquired considerable experience working

with grants. He looks forward to using that experience to help Dallas Community Foundation enhance the quality of life for the people of Dallas.

### **DCF** in the Community

In addition to grants, DCF sponsors events that contribute to community livability, promote arts and culture, and support significant community causes.

#### 2021 Sponsorships

Family Building Blocks Prevention Patrons
Sounds of Summer
Art in the Park
Rotary Breakfast in the Park
Krazy Dayz Community Paint By Number Murals
Art and Wine Walk





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A Non-Profit Corporation to Benefit the People of the Dallas Area

December, 2021

Dear Friend.

Thank you for your gifts of support to the Dallas community in 2021! **You have made a difference in the lives of your neighbors in need.** Thanks to your gifts, the Foundation gave back more than \$85,000 in grants and scholarships this year.

We have directed your gifts to make a positive impact across the Dallas community. Through grants, we have given a hand up to struggling families, brought stability to those facing homelessness and hunger, supported young victims of sexual abuse and domestic violence, and provided medical care for those in need. We have also enhanced education, enriched culture and the arts, and sustained programs for seniors. Through scholarships, our high school graduates are continuing their post-secondary education.

We look forward to the new year with a renewed sense of optimism. **Together, there is a lot more we can do in 2022!** As the Foundation funds continue to grow, so does the impact we can make in the Dallas community. When you give to the Foundation, you can support a variety of non-profit organizations that help people in Dallas now, and into the future.

In this season of giving, make a gift to the Dallas Community Foundation. Large or small, it will touch the lives of those who need it the most in your community. For someone in need, it may make all the difference in the world.

You can give in several ways. You can contribute to the Community Impact Fund which addresses critical needs. You can give to an established scholarship fund. With a larger contribution, you can create your own designated fund to support a scholarship, or the local charity or cause of your choice. To learn more about these and other giving options, please give us a call.

To make your contribution today, send your check along with the form on the back page of this newsletter, or donate online at dallascommunityfoundation.com/donate. Thanks for joining us in supporting the Dallas community.

Best wishes for a blessed holiday season,

The Dallas Community Foundation Board of Directors

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### Thank You to Our Donors!

It is through your generous gifts that DCF can touch the lives of those in need and make a difference in the Dallas community. **Thank you for your kind generosity and support!** 

The following have contributed to the Foundation over the past year through December 10th:

## Community Impact Fund (unrestricted gifts)

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Dallas Rotary Club

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# Stuart Olson Memorial Culinary Scholarship

Chris Bouton

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#### **Dallas Library Capital Needs Fund**

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In Memory of Bob Wilson

Jean Sherbeck

#### Friends of Delbert Hunter Arboretum Fund

Anonymous

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and they suddenly find themselves in immediate crisis - unable to afford prescription co-pays, unable to pay their utility bills, or facing eviction. Such circumstances could lead to losing a job, forgoing medical treatment, a child getting behind at school, utility shutoff or homelessness. Bridging financial gaps is critical to caring for individuals, keeping families whole and back on a path to selfsufficiency. Over 20 families, including veterans and seniors, and those fleeing domestic violence, have been served.

#### Supporting Education

SMART Reading gave 460 take-home reading books to students at Lyle and Oakdale Heights Elementary schools, supporting literacy and fostering a lifelong love for reading. A DCF partnership with Dallas **Education Foundation supported** an annual small grants program for teachers, enhancing learning opportunities for students. Dallas Friends of the Library purchased large-print books and audio books, especially important to seniors and the visually disabled. Liberty House promoted awareness of resources available to help parents and teens navigate the digital world, address cyberbullying, and make safe online choices.

This was all possible through grants, given because of people like you! Thank you for your support and helping us to enrich the Dallas community in 2021.

### **Scholarships Making an Impact**

Despite the challenges of pursuing postsecondary studies during the pandemic, resilience prevails. **Nahla Hamilton**, a 2019 graduate of Dallas High School and third-year recipient of the Rochambeau Scholarship writes,

"The Rochambeau scholarship has given me the opportunity to attend college, further pursue topics of interest such as community development and has helped me learn more about myself; all of which would not have been possible without the financial



support and generosity that scholarships such as this provide. Having these opportunities for growth and education have truly helped me develop as a person in amazing ways. I can also wholeheartedly say that although the last several years have been difficult for all of us, being able to attend university while learning about topics I'm passionate about, connecting with friends at school, and making progress towards earning my degree in Political Science, have all been strong motivators pushing me forward.

The financial generosity of the Rochambeau scholarship made that all possible and accessible for me, which I am truly appreciative of. The support provided by this scholarship has been a tremendous help to my academic success as well– and will continue to do so as I embark on a study abroad program to London, England in the spring! These types of scholarships can do so much for students who are struggling and can help change someone's life! Having received this financial support throughout my academic career so far has motivated and supported me through the years. I truly am continuously grateful for the kindness and generosity that the Dallas Community Foundation has shown me through the Rochambeau Scholarship, thank you."

Through the generosity of a local donor, the Rochambeau scholarship fund was established in 2017.

Did you know you can contribute directly to any of our scholarship funds? Donate today and specify how we should direct your gift. If you would like to know more about establishing your own scholarship fund, we're here to help you through the process. Contact us to discuss your goals and objectives; we can answer your questions and help you set up a fund.

# DCF Announces 2022 Grant Distribution

The DCF is pleased to announce a grant distribution of \$50,000 for 2022. Applications will be accepted online at www.dallascommunityfoundation.com/grants through January 31st, 2022. Non-profit 501(c)(3) organizations or other qualified tax-exempt entities that serve the Dallas area are eligible to apply. For more information, contact Mia Mohr at 503-798-7847, or email mia@dallascommunityfoundation.com

# Double Your Impact for Arts and Culture



If you donated to the Dallas Community Foundation in 2021, you are eligible to participate in the Oregon Cultural Trust tax credit by making a matching donation to the Oregon Cultural Trust by December 31st. Donations to the Cultural Trust have generated millions in grants to arts, heritage and humanities programs across the state, including programs right here in Polk County. For more information, visit www.culturaltrust.org or consult your tax preparer.

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