

Giving Back to the Dallas Community *Highlights from the 2022 Community Grants*

In 2022, DCF awarded nearly \$50,000 in grants to local non-profit organizations addressing a variety of causes and needs, enriching the Dallas community. Here are a few highlights of the broad impact the Foundation has made.



One of the significant challenges in Dallas this year was food insecurity. DCF grants helped to ensure no one in Dallas should go hungry. The volunteers at Dallas Food Bank know firsthand the effects of rising food prices on family budgets. This year they are serving an increasing number of new families. With DCF funds, the food bank supplemented food boxes with protein-enriched foods and personal hygiene items.

James 2 Community Kitchen has also seen a large increase in demand for the community dinner program, serving upwards



of 250 meals a week. DCF funds provided equipment to increase food storage and aid in meal preparation. Cost savings and the flexibility of DCF funds enabled the program to purchase additional food and to-go containers.

Despite the cold and rainy spring that delayed the season, Dallas Youth Garden interns provided a small, but important harvest of fresh produce for those in need. With DCF support since 2014, over 37,000 pounds of fresh produce have been harvested for food programs. This year's group of interns also gained some insight into the challenges of growing food when mother nature doesn't cooperate!

DCF funds supported the health and well-being of vulnerable populations through the Polk Community Free Clinic. A patient writes, "It's always so good to come to the PCFC. I like that you have interpreters to help me with my appointment and also to pray for me. Thank you for being here for people like me, and for being open on Saturdays, when I don't work."

DCF funds gave hope and help to families in need, through grant recipients like Family Building Blocks. A Dallas mother and her child struggled with the loss of the



After a several-year hiatus due to covid, struggling families were able to experience much needed respite and time together through the Dallas Creation Vacation program.



In a new location, Bambinos is now better able to support families' needs with DCF-funded technology upgrades. They can devote more time and effort to mentoring and assisting clients.

father. Through Family Building Blocks, they received home visits, respite care, mental health support and occupational therapy for the child's development. The home visitor helped the family through the

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A Word from the President

Fellow Friends of Dallas:

This is the time of year when we take stock of all the things for which we are grateful in our lives. Family, friends, home, meaningful work, spirituality, and the recognition of our obligation to one another just to name a few. These are just some of the things I am grateful for and one that I want to focus on today is our obligation to one another. Each of us needs help and support at one time or another during our lives. That's part of life.

The Dallas Community Foundation is focused on being there for those in our community who need that help and support through two primary pathways: 1. Funding high school scholarships and 2. Funding grants to not for profit organizations in our community that enhance the livability for all. In the Foundation's work, improving the livability of Dallas is an important goal.

During this time of thanks and giving please join me, the Foundation board, and generous donors in supporting the Dallas community through a donation to the Dallas Community Foundation.

Sincerely,

Bob Brannigan
President
Dallas Community
Foundation



Giving Back

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grieving process and ongoing needs like food and diapers. The mother worked hard to overcome financial struggles as a single parent. The child continues to grow, thrive, and achieve developmental milestones. Recently, the family was chosen to receive a decorated Christmas tree donated by a community member.

The tree arrived while the movie "Encanto" was playing at their home. As the movie scene unfolded – butterflies surround the grandmother as she remembers a family member who had passed on – the tree was being unwrapped, decorated with beautiful butterflies. The child could hardly contain their excitement to have a Christmas tree in their home. It's a blessing

to support families through their challenges and celebrate their accomplishments.

In partnership with the Dallas Education Foundation, DCF supported the small grants program for educators in the Dallas School District. Thirteen grants totaling nearly \$6,000 will enhance educational experiences for students across all schools in the district. From sensory swings, Apple super drives and scooter boards to choir risers, scientific calculators, and fetal pigs for dissection, to reset room supplies and transportation for an Oregon Symphony field trip, a diverse group of students will benefit in positive and amazing ways. 🌈

Welcome New Board Member, Steve Spencer



Steve Spencer joined the DCF board in October, filling a vacancy left by the departure of Gus Hughbanks. Steve is the Dallas School District

Superintendent, having recently moved into the position after serving as Principal at Dallas High School. In addition to administrative experience, he has spent time in the classroom as a science teacher.

He is well known in the Dallas community and one of his favorite things is running into students and

families on a '1-hour shopping trip' for a gallon of milk.

He and his wife have five sons and two grandchildren. He enjoys watching their school sporting events and when he has the opportunity, he tries to fit in some golf.

He is looking forward to serving on the board. "I have seen DCF support so many school initiatives and projects in the past, I am excited now to volunteer and be a part of the board as a small token to pay it back."

Welcome, Steve! 🌈



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Dear Friend,

As we reflect on this past year, we are grateful. Grateful for the giving community where we live, work, and raise our families. We are especially grateful for you. Thanks to your generous support, we have touched lives in every corner of our community, making a meaningful and memorable difference.

When you give, we can give back. We have given back over one million dollars, directly benefitting those in need, supporting and enriching the Dallas community.

In 2022, we continued vital support to victims of domestic violence, those struggling with urgent needs, hunger, and chronic illness. We provided necessary equipment to those who serve the community. We supported programs that serve youth, families in need, seniors, and the elderly. Earlier this year, 35 scholarships were awarded to graduating seniors, enabling them to continue their education. **This was all possible because of the support of people like you!**

Looking forward to 2023, we will continue support for vulnerable populations, youth and seniors, and opportunities to enhance community well-being and livability. We will work closely with organizations serving Dallas, to look for ways in which our funds can be most impactful and flexible to meet emerging needs.

In this season of giving, please consider a gift to the Dallas Community Foundation. It will touch the lives of those who need it the most in our community. For someone in need, it can make all the difference in the world.

You can give in several ways. You can simply contribute to the Community Impact Fund which addresses significant and urgent needs as they arise. Or with a larger contribution, you can create your own designated fund, perhaps in your name or the name of a loved one, to support a scholarship, or a local charity or cause of your choice. To learn more about these and other giving options such as estate gifts, please give us a call. To make your contribution today, you can send your check along with the form on the back page of this newsletter. If you would like to learn about other ways you can give, such as establishing a designated fund or a planned gift, please contact our office.

Thanks for joining us in supporting the Dallas community, for good, for now, forever.

Best wishes for a blessed holiday season,

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Thank you for your kind generosity and support!

Making a Difference Through Scholarships

Scholarships are a meaningful support to Dallas students. Thanks to the DCF scholarship fund and funds established by people like you, nearly \$40,000 was given earlier this year to students pursuing their post-secondary education. Here are some updates.

Graham Glazner



One term in, and I am excited for all that college has to offer. I moved into the Antioch House in September and have enjoyed getting to know my housemates. This term, I took chemistry for engineers, intro to engineering, and I especially enjoyed my math and writing classes. In math, we learned about calculus applications in multi-variable situations and vectors. In writing, I continued to develop my research and editing skills. I have been taking the bus back and forth to my classes at OSU and Linn Benton Community College. I've enjoyed time off with new friends at the Antioch House, a Co-op house for Christian guys. I have been grateful to have guys to work on homework or study with too. I still come back to Dallas for service at Grace Community Church every other Sunday.

Graham received the Paul Olliff Memorial Math Scholarship and the Beatrice Gallaspy Scholarship this year.

Morgan Shuck



I just finished up my first semester in college at George Fox. This semester was so great. I am doing all my pre-requisites right now, so I have a lot of free time on my hands. With all my free time, I've gotten to meet a lot of people, get a job at a gym, volunteer at an organization called Compassion First, and enjoy Newberg. The classes I took were College Algebra, Personhood, Theology, Art and Global Culture, and Communications. I've never been able to tie my faith into my work, so it was a fun challenge. Because of this scholarship, I am able to do all the fun activities during my free time, instead of working. I am paying for my education, so without getting scholarships like

this, I would have to work a lot. I am so grateful to have received this scholarship.

Morgan received the Karen Barnard Nursing Scholarship this year.

Emma Classen



I am currently going into my final semester of nursing school at George Fox University! I am so grateful for the Karen Barnard Scholarship that has helped me financially get through my four years of college. This scholarship has allowed me to pursue a nursing career and I am so thankful for this foundation and the impact it has had on me and several other students over the years. In four short months, I will finally have my Bachelor's of Science in Nursing and I am so excited to start my career as a nurse. I want to thank everyone who has donated to this scholarship foundation. I am forever grateful for the opportunity I was given to be in nursing school, pursuing my dreams!

Emma was a recipient of the Karen Barnard Nursing Scholarship in 2019, with a renewal award in 2020, 2021 and 2022. 🌈

DCF Announces 2023 Community Grants

DCF is pleased to announce that \$45,000 has been approved for community grants for 2023. Applications will be accepted online at www.dallascommunityfoundation.com/grants through January 31st, 2023. 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. 🌈

Why I Serve – Board Member Tina Orpilla



As my life has progressed and my business has grown, I have developed a strong desire to “give back”. There are countless ways one can direct their resources to make things better - time, money, wisdom. There are just so many efforts to support, so many needs and gaps to fill.

The opportunity to participate on the DCF board has quickly developed into my favorite way to serve. DCF helps fill immediate needs right here in our community, where I live and benefit, where my clients live and benefit, and

where my daughter assists in teaching fifth graders who benefit. Attending the Dallas High School senior awards night this year and watching so many scholarships go out to deserving youth cemented for me the role DCF plays in our community.

I love that the DCF has a simple process for awarding and distributing grants, sponsorships, and scholarships. I love that the DCF helps local small organizations by investing gifts to maximize their long-term impact. I love that the DCF has given me a way to serve my community. 🌈



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