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# **2020 ANNUAL REPORT**



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United Way of Abilene is proud to hold the Gold Star designation with GuideStar and the highest 4-star level with Charity Navigator for the seventh consecutive year.

These rankings demonstrate United Way of Abilene's accountability, efficiency, and transparency.





# MIND THE GAP

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Dear Friends.

The year 2020 was like no other. While the challenges of the past year continue, 2021 began with more devastation from a historic winter storm and the loss of one of our most talented and beloved leaders in Abilene, Mark Rogers. We will miss Mark all the days of our lives.

To meet these challenges, United Way of Abilene, its partners, and volunteers fought hard for the families of the Big Country in many unique ways in 2020 and recent months! As a community, our volunteers and neighbors showed the best of humanity. We are blessed to live, work, and raise our children in Abilene and the Big Country!

The board members of United Way of Abilene and United Way Foundation of Abilene are dedicated to our community and addressing the needs of all our families. Our mission is to seek ways to create positive, lasting change for all because we are all connected and interdependent on each other.

We sincerely thank all of you-the members of United Way of Abilenefor your gifts of time, talent, and treasure, as we continue to passionately serve others.

Sincerely,

Justin Crowe **Board Chairman** 

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Cathy F. Ashby, Ed D President & CEO

## **REFLECTING ON 2020**

for helping us improve lives in 2020!

First Abilene Federa Gredit Union

### **UNITED WAY STAFF**

Dr. Cathy Ashby President/CEO

**Greg Wilson** VIce-President/CFO **Emily Daye** Office Administrator

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Jenn Waldmann Director of Community Impact & Marketing

### **2-1-1 TEXAS A CALL FOR HELP**

Mary Cooksey 2-1-1 Director

**Rebecca Aldape** 

Alma Archuleta Resource Team Manager

Nancy Espinoza

Lynn Jackson Call Center Manager

**Jessica Giddings** Information & Referral Specialist Information & Referral Specialist

> **Kathryn Sonenshine** Community Outreach Coordinator

**Casey Wester** Information & Referral Specialist Information & Referral Specialist Clockwise from Top: Justin Crowe presented First Abilene Federal Credit Union with the Cornerstone Award for a 200% increase in giving.

Perkins Insurance presented United Way with a check to help with #AbileneUnited.

Loaned Executive, Jason Valdez with First Bank Texas shows off his birdhouse building skills during a tour of Abilene Boys & GIrls Club.

The United Supermarkets Family presented United Way of Abilene with a check from their Jacky Pierce Charity Golf Classic, which raises funds for local United Ways.

Families in the neighborhood destroyed by the 2019 tornado showed their appreciation during the Honk Your Horn parade.

AISD nurses helped take temperatures during the Day Camps.

United Way of Abilene and Boots on the Ground presented Mr. Luz Rodriguez with the keys to his new home, which was a complete reuild from the 2019 tornado.

### We're proud to live and work in a community who cares. In 2020, we saw the completion of disaster relief from the 2019 tornado, the beginning of a global pandemic, and extreme graciousness of this community. Thank you



## **FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY**

United Way of Abilene would not be successful without the trust and confidence of our donors and volunteers. We operate under a comprehenisve set of accountability guidelines reviewed regularly by the Finance Committee and Board of Directors.

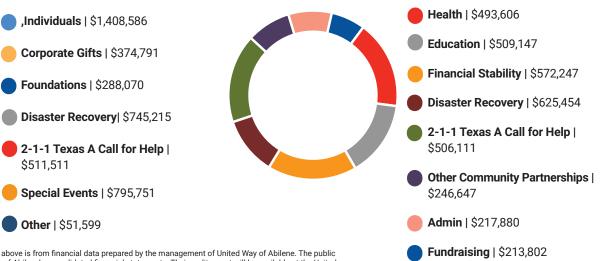
## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

### **Community Support**

United Way of Abilene raises funds through workplace and individual giving, corporate and foundation giving, and through local, state, and federal grants.



Distribution of Funds: Annually, United Way of Abilene invests in programs and services that are producing lasting, measurable results in the areas of Education, Financial Stability, and Health.



Note: The unaudited financial information summarized above is from financial data prepared by the management of United Way of Abilene. The public accounting firm of Eide Bailly, LLP will audit United Way of Abilene's consolidated financial statements. Their audit report will be available at the United Way of Abilene office and on the United Way of Abilene website upon completion of their audit.

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## **VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD**

In 1989, the United Way of Abilene Board of Directors approved the establishment of a Volunteer Service Award. The purpose of the award is to honor one outstanding volunteer for "a lifetime of community service." Criteria for the award are a commitment to service to others, determination and persistence in fulfilling volunteer obligations, loyalty and integrity, active involvement in community activities in addition to United Way, and dedication to helping people in Abilene.

Past Recipients: 1990 - Ray Howe 1991 - Bob Tiffany 1992 - Harold Crawford 1993 - Dale Ackers 1994 - Walter F. Johnson 1995 - A.B. "Stormy" Shelton 1996 - Mozelle Scarborough 1997 - Dr. Jesse C. Fletcher 1998 - Harwell Barber 1999 - Fred Lee Hughes 2000 - Scott Dueser 2001 - Dr. Royce Money

2002 - Billye Proctor-Shaw 2003 - Dr. Gary D. McCaleb 2005 - Dian Stai 2007 - Bill Waddill 2008 - H.C. Zachry 2009 - Mike Schweikhard 2010 - Paul Cannon 2011 - Dale Cartee 2012 - John Beckham 2013 - Dr. Bob Hunter 2014 - Dr. Phil Christopher 2015 - Joe Crawford 2016 - Leroy Bolt

2017 - Dixie B. Bassett 2018 - Dodge Jones Foundation 2019 - Doctors Talmadge & Sara Trammell 2020- Jack Rentz



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### Our organization and community benefits from the leadership and oversight of the Board Members listed below. We are thankful for their year-round dedication to guiding and supporting United Way of Abilene.

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Doug Peters Abilene Chamber of Commerce

> Trent Poindexter Wes-T-Go Convenience

> > Jack Rentz The Rentech Companies

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> Jennifer Snodgrass Keller Williams Realty

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Dr. Joe Waldron Abilene ISD

Todd Wilson First Baptist Church Abilene

> Dr. David Young Abilene ISD

## COMMITTEES

United Way of Abilene is fortunate to have thoughtful and devoted volunteers supporting our mission in the community. We thank each person below, as well as those who shared their time and talents to help with our campagin, agency reviews, and special events.

### 2-1-1 Advisory Council

Chair: Jenny Goode Jake Allred Becky Almanza Craig Bessent Alesha Burks Kimberly Brusewitz Kirk Canada Vincent Cantu Zac Glawczwski Greg Goettsch Lauren Hassell Scotty Henderson Leah Hymel Ronnie Kidd Nate Lester Kristy McDonough Scott McLean Angel Poorman Beth Reeves John Riggins **Richard Rodgers** Mary Ross Sandi Saringer Julie Shields Stephen WIlliamson

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### Committee members touring Abilene Hope Haven

### **2-1-1 TEXAS A CALL FOR HELP**

2-1-1 Texas A Call for Help is the Area Information Center for West Central Texas. Locally, 2-1-1 Texas A Call for Help manages a resource database and information and referral services for the 19 counties of West Central Texas. During times of disaster 2-1-1 plays a key role working in coordination with local and state emergency operations. Working from home, without technology, loss of the office social support, and increased calls related to COVID-19 made 2020 a tough year, but through it all, 2-1-1 still continued to provide support.

Working remotely for much of 2020, the Abilene 2-1-1 call center team handled a total of 53,408 calls.

The residents of our 19-county area talked with a 2-1-1 call specialist, 24/7/365, for a total of 27,279 requests in 2020.

The Resource Team managed over 400 West Central Texas program records - as agencies adjusted their pandemic operations protocols and availability.

Learn more at acallforhelp.info.

## **UNITED WAY FOUNDATION OF ABILENE**

Established in 2014, the United Way Foundation of Abilene seeks to build a permanent, sustainable avenue of support for the future of Abilene and West Central Texas. Our generous Foundation donors have invested to help us continue to solve our community's toughest issues well into the future. Every gift - large or small - will positively impact the future of our community.

### **FOUNDATION DIRECTORS**

Chair | Scott Dueser **First Financial Bank** 

Leroy Bolt Condley & Company

Vice-Chair | Geoff Haney Cape & Son

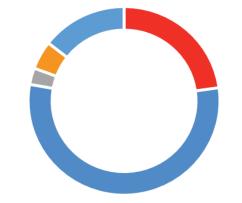
President | Dr. Cathy Ashby United Way of Abilene

Lee Hampton

Treasurer | Hillary Moore Mansefeldt Investment Corporation

Secretary | Carolyn Beckham **Community Volunteer** 

### FOUNDATION FINANCIAL DATA **ENDOWMENT FUNDS UNDER MANAGEMENT**



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### **ALEXIS DE TOCQUEVILLE LEGACY CIRCLE**

Honoring individuals who have made lifetime commitments to United Way of \$100,000 or more. Legacy Circle members have made gifts through United Way Life<sup>®</sup>, bequests, and the annual campaign.

Justin and Bethany Ashlock Carolyn and Harwell Barber Grady Barr Dixie B. Bassett Bob and Peggy Beckham John and Carolyn Beckham Lon and Christy Biebighauser Doctors Ed Brandecker and Roberta Kalafut **Tucker and Gina Bridwell** Joe Ed and Jo Canon

Katie Deal Scott Dueser Lee and Callie Hampton Geoff and Angela Haney Robert Hanna Julia Jones Matthews Jack and Becky Rentz Reed and Lauren Stafford



- Dr. Phil Christopher First Baptist Church Abilene
- **Community Volunteer**
- Dr. Sara Trammell Abilene Beauty Bus



- **United Way of Abilene Quasi-Endowment Fund** \$786.203 | 23%
- **Dian Graves Owen Foundation Fund** \$1,900,420 | 55%
- **Changing Stories Fund** \$97,802 | 3%
- Anonymous \$500,000 | 14%
- **Carolyn & Harwell Barber Fund** \$168,173 | 5%

Justin and Lindsey Crowe

Corby and Diana Flanagan

Dian Stai The Doctors Trammell Greg and Elizabeth Wilson

**Anonymous Foundation** Bob L. Herd Foundation **Dodge Jones Foundation Kickapoo Springs Foundation** Legett Foundation **Dian Graves Owen Foundation** 

## **2020 WINTER LIGHTFEST**

United Way of Abilene debuted the organization's signature event in 2019. Winter Lightfest increases awareness of United Way, raises money for community investments, and creates a family-friendly attraction for Abilene.



# **STEPPING UP IN TIMES OF CRISIS**

When our community is in need, United Way of Abilene collaborates with businesses, volunteers, and non-profit agencies to create a positive impact.

In its second year, Winter Lightfest was BIGGER, BRIGHTER, and BETTER than ever! Matt Robinson, of Christmas Decor by Lone Star Electric, was able to take his vision and tranform a maize field into something truly magical for 2020. The park was open for 16 nights with sights and sounds of the season. Winter Lightfest is a 3/4 mile walking trail of Christmas lights and holiday features that has guickly a become a holiday tradition.

Winter Lightfest would not have been possible without the generous support of individuals and businesses in the community who sponsored the event. This generosity allowed every elementary student in Taylor County to receive a free Winter Lightfest ticket.

Learn more about Winter Lightfest at winterlightfest.com.

### WINTER LIGHTFEST SPONSORS

**Presenting Sponsor** Dian Graves Owen Foundation

Lightfest Trail Builders The Wolfe Family J.H. Strain & Sons Raydon, Inc. W&S Construction

Winter Wonderland First Baptist Church Abilene H-E-B

Holly & Jolly Arthur Family Foundation Eagle Permian Partners **Excelsior Foundation Tejon Exploration Company** 

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Sounds of Christmas ACVB | Abilene Centerstage Big Country Homepage | KRBC | KTAB | Telemundo Batjer & Associates Chick-fil-A South JAR | The Local | Oddly Natural Lawrence Hall Leigh and Charlie Black Nation Wide Products Reed Beverage Shelton Family Foundation Star Dodg Wagstaff Law Firm

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Scenes of Wonder Abilene Beauty Bus Abilene Teachers Federal Credit Union AEP Texas Barber Foundation Beltway Park Church Billye Proctor Shaw Bontke Brothers Construction **Border States Electric** ENT Specialists | Dr. Gary Goodnight First National Bank of Albany – Abilene Hendrick Health System Holland Hearing Jacob | Martin Keller Williams Realty Kyle Paul Construction Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc. Perkins Insurance Group Sendero Properties Sylvan Learning Center Texas Midwest Surgery Center TXU Energy Wes-T-Go Fuels, Inc.

#### Santa's Workshop

BenMark Supply Company, Inc. B&R Asphalt Nobles Road Construction, Inc. Return Mountain, LLC Templeton Equipment Warren CAT Equipment Rentals Vulcan Materials Company Yellowhouse Machinery Co.

Santa's Helpers Abilene Christian University Albert Gutierrez Anonymous Apex Computer Services **Big Country Title** Double B Group FDLIC First Bank Texas Lone Star HR Neurosurgery Associates of West Texas TX Representative Stan Lambert

### Twinkle

Browning Law Firm Budget Blinds Charles Schwab – Nick Shepherd Dillard's Department Stores Dressen Family First Financial Bank Jeff Luther Construction

### **BY THE NUMBERS**

2,100,000 Lights 47,364 Guests 883 Volunteers 101 Sponsors 10,000 Cups of Hot Cocoa 5,000 S'mores 1,500 Smiles with Santa 16 Nights

### **Festival Friends**

Atmos Energy Kent Beck Motors Security Title World's Okayest Mom

Santa's Elves

Abilene Country Club Accolade Rentals, LLC Abilene High Athletics Booster Club Abilene High Band Booster Club Abilene Independent School District AquaOne C4 Fuels Can-Doo Budget Rentals City of Abilene Clift Construction Contractor Services, Ltd. County Waste Services Jumps and Tents for Events Lone Star Electric NTune Music & Sound SignTEX Texas Family Popcorn The Shed Market The United Supermarket Family Weatherbee Digital Sign

### **#ABILENEUNITED - COVID RELIEF**

2020 was a year that no one could have anticipated. When COVID-19 swept the country shutting down schools and closing businesses, everyone was left trying to figure out what was next. United Way of Abilene guickly responded and created the #AbileneUnited Fund to help.

### Phase One

From initial 2-1-1 calls, our leadership team quickly determined that the most immediate needs for our community would be food and financial assistance for rental, housing, and utilities. You saw those funds in action totaling \$130,000 as we distributed \$50,000 to the Food Bank of West Central Texas and \$80,000 to the Christian Service Center and City Light Ministries for housing/rental/utility payments.

#### Phase Two

Our biggest financial commitment was the #AbileneUnited Day Camps for children of essential workers. This was a free service to families. Abilene Independent School District, Alliance for Women and Children, and the Boys and Girls Club were our partners.

### Phase Three

Partner agencies who applied for a grant through Abilene United received funding totaling \$81,000 to help them transition successfully. United Way partner agencies receiving funds were the Regional Victims Crisis Center, American Red Cross, New Beginnings, and FaithWorks. The Salvation Army also received \$10,000 to assist in their increase in participation for meals and lodging.

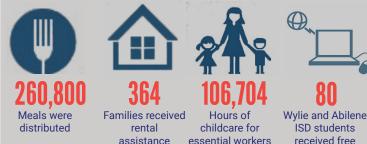
#### **Phase Four**

The Home and Safe program is a network of volunteers who make a real difference in keeping the most vulnerable of our neighbors at home and thus safe. Our purpose is to ensure that every household in our community has a person in their neighborhood that they can contact for help.

Through individual donors, businesses, and foundations, the #AbileneUnited Fund raised \$625,464 to help with relief efforts. Our #AbileneUnited fund will remain open and meeting the needs in our community for years to come.

Photos: Day Camp staff from Boys & Girls Club help students make masks, Wylie ISD receiving their thermomoeter back-to-school kits, Craig student receiving a mobile hot spot, RVCC collects masks for their clients

### UR #ABILENEUNITED IMPACT Number of individuals/families who received the following types of assistance:





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## **INVESTING IN OUR COMMUNITY**

United Way of Abilene is proud to invest \$1,575,000 in non-profit programs, Catalyst Grants, and Special Funding opportunities that demonstrate results in the areas of education, financial stability, and health.



## **EDUCATION - \$509,147**

- After School Care (Alliance for Women & Children)
- Boys Residential Care (Ben Richey Boys Ranch)
- Mentoring (Big Brothers Big Sisters)
- ScoutReach (Texas Trails Council BSA)
- After School Program, Teen Night (Boys & Girls Club of Abilene) •
- Student Success Coaching (Communities in Schools)
- Youth Programs (Dyess Youth Programs) •
- Girl Scout Leadership Experience (Girl Scouts)
- ASPIRE, Summer Day Camp (ResourceCare) •
- Phoenix (YMCA of Abilene)



- Bridge2Home, Hope Housing Services (Abilene Hope Haven)
- CASA (Big Country CASA)
- Standing in the Gap (Christian Service Center)
- Child Care Assistance (Day Nursery of Abilene)
- FaithWorks (FaithWorks of Abilene) •
- New Beginnings (New Beginnings Big Country)

## **)** HEALTH - \$493,606

- Dental, MERCY Health Care Center (Abilene Taylor County Public Health)
- Family Care Program (Alzheimer's Association)
- Home Fire Campaign (American Red Cross)
- Safety & Independence Project (APS Partners)
- Cancer Patient Assistance (Cancer Services Network)
- Nutrition (City of Abilene Adaptive Recreation Services)
- Intervention & Prevention (Noah Project)
- Medical Program (Presbyterian Medical Care Mission)
- Comprehensive Assistance to Victims, Violence Prevention (Regional Victim Crisis Center)
- Strength for Life (Strength for Life)

**Brady Harwell** Julee Hatton Dr. and Mrs. Bill C. Haynes Jennifer Heidema Mr. and Mrs. Brent Hill Brad and Julianna Holland Annabel House Monica and Sean Houston Jeff and Tracy Howle Cherie and Mark Hudson Michele Josselet Drs. Hari and Yamini Kalla Ms. Madeline Lake Dr. Mark Lawrence The Doctors LeMasters Tiffany Loftin Henry and Nina Loza Mr. Tim McCarry Mr. and Mrs. Scott McLean Megan Dobbs Meeks Bobby and Doris Melson Dr. and Mrs. Royce Money Mr. and Mrs. Douglas S. Peters Teresa Petrosky Matthew Rains Dr. Jack Ramsey Jack and Karen Rich Michael and Margaret Richins Kent and Merri Rideout Mr. Cameron and Dr. Katherine Rinard Mrs. Leslye Kay Roberts Mark and Jenn Rogers Bill and Brandi Rowe Mr. John Ruzicka Dr. Phil Schubert Mr. and Mrs. Reave Scott Mr. and Mrs. Bill Senter Dr. Mark and Mrs. Judy Sivley Frances G. Smith Sandra Surratt Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Thaxton Mr. and Mrs. Brad Thompson Bill and Gaile Thompson Sheryl Tobak Thelma Vega Susan Wade Dr. Joseph and Marijon Waldron Jeremy Walker Cynthia Watson David and Amanda Weems Mr. and Mrs. Brice West Amy Whitmer Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Williams Frances and Doug Williamson James and Lyndsey Williamson Kenny Woods



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**Bill Wright** 

Brian and Stacey Yates

Dr. Patrick G. Young, M.D.

### **MEMORIAL GIFTS & HONORAR** Gifts were made in 2020 to the United Way Foundation of Abilene and United Way of Abilene in memory or honor of the following individuals.

William Orlan Akin Johan Green Ms. Pat Green Bobby Anderson Nancy Green Judith Grigsby Fredrick Crockett Grimes Joanne Guthrie **Tommy Hagler** Barbara Hanson David Hardaway James Allen Baird Johnny Harrison **Ruth Heidenheimer** Thelma Heidenheimer Lynda Kay Bayouth Dr. William "Dub" Henry Jackson, Jr. Venita Bickerstaff Bob Herd Minnie Bingaman Lew Hill Jess Holloway Dick Hood Sandra Hood **Dennis Brewster Bill Hooks** Carrell Hopkins **Robert Housley Conception Ibarra** Joyce Jay Claire Johnson Dr. Grady Jolly Pastor Eddie Jordan **Ricky Jordan** Jean Keffer James Vernon Kidwell, Sr. Sam Kimberlin Cecil Kina Kenneth Lee King Patsy Lacy Marie Lancaster Dr. Randall Lea **Benis Lee** Sharon Leyerle Scotty Lindley Jeanenette Lipford Imogene Lott Liam Lowe Lois Lytle C.H. Maguire, Jr. Jonah Matson John Warden Matthews Mildred Mauldin Mary Ann McCloud Robert McDaniel Selina Starr McGuire Ed Melson Linda Michou Bynum Miers **Raymon Milligan Tommy Milliorn** Dan Mohon Gary Morrison Joe Mrowiec Dovle Nash **Charlotte Neece Debbie Netterville Britt Nichols Randy Nicholson** 

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## **LEADERSHIP GIVING**

Leadership Giving Society members are leaders in philanthropy who generously meet the needs of our community and are the foundation of United Way's annual campaign. We thank our Leadership Giving Society members for helping shape the future of our community.

#### Alexis de Tocqueville Society \$10.000+

Individuals Ms. Dixie Bassett Mrs. Peggy Beckham Mr. and Mrs. John L. Beckham Tucker and Gina Bridwell Ron and Lorilei Butler Joe Ed and Jo Canon Dwayne and Paula Clark The Crawford Family Ms. Katie Deal Don and Rudith Drennan Scott Dueser Murray and Kathi Edwards Charles and Kate Ferguson Dr. Robert Leedy and Dr. Nikki Green Lee and Callie Hampton Geoff and Angela Haney Lynn Beckham Marderosian Mr. Kelly McCarty Hillary and Kimberly Moore Mr. Kenneth Murphy Jack and Becky Rentz The Doctors Trammell Dr. and Mrs. Paul Watts

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Bob L. Herd Foundation **Denny Family Foundation Dian Graves Owen Foundation** Legett Foundation J.M. Parker Foundation Shelton Family Foundation

#### Wooten | \$7.500 - \$9.999

Mr. Corby and Dr. Diana L. Flanagan James Gordon Mr. Paige Parker

### Swenson | \$5,000 - \$7,499

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### Paramount | \$3,500 - \$4,999

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### Elks | \$2,000 - \$2,499

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### Cypress | \$1.500 - \$1.999 Megan and Jake Allred

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### T&P | \$1.200 -\$1.499

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## **ADDITIONAL INVESTMENT**

### **CATALYST FUNDING**

Catalyst Funding is designed to give United Way of Abilene the ability to make responsive investments to strengthen systems and networks that support individuals in our area. Proposals were sought for community efforts to assist families impacted by COVID-19.

Ten partnerships were selected for investments totaling \$50,000. Almost half of this investment amount was made possible through gifts made in honor of Mr. Jack Rentz, 2020 Volunteer Service Award recipient.

#### **Boy Scouts - Texas Trails Council** ScoutReach

**Big Brothers Big Sisters & Big Country CASA** Male Volunteer Recruitment Campaign

### **Big Country CASA**

A CASA for every child

### **Christian Service Center**

Your Financial Freedom Course

FaithWorks of Abilene Technology Support for Adult Students

### **EMERGENCY FOOD & SHELTER PROGRAM**

The Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) was created to supplement and expand local non-profit agencies' work to help people with economic emergencies (non-disaster related). EFSP funds are used to supplement feeding, sheltering (including transitional sheltering), and rent/ mortgage and utility assistance efforts only.

The local EFSP board comprises members from Abilene Hope Haven, the American Red Cross, 2-1-1 Texas A Call for Help, First Central Presbyterian Church, local government officials, and the City of Abilene. In 2020. local non-profits received \$110.456 in assistancet

### FIRST RESPONDER EMERGENCY AND DISASTER ASSISTANCE

In collaboration with the Abilene Police and Fire Departments, United Way of Abilene's First Responder Emergency and Disaster Assistance (FREDA) Program provides a comprehensive and efficient process to address financial needs when the Abilene First Responder Community encounters persons with emergency needs for food, gasoline, or lodging during hours that no community-based basic needs program is available or during the event of a fire or natural disaster.

In 2020, the FREDA program disbursed \$8,714 among 45 different individuals or families. Historically, FREDA sponsors have included Holy Family Catholic Church and Oldham Lane Church of Christ.



National Center for Children's Illustrated Literature Your Journey: Book & Fine Art Activity Guide for Youth

Noah Project **Operational Care** 

**Regional Victims Crisis Center** Child/Youth Human Sex Trafficking Comprehensive Care

## IN GOOD COMPANY

The employees of small businesses, corporations, academic institutions, and non-profits invested in United Way of Abilene's community campaign. Money raised in the annual community campaign is invested in programs and services at United Way's Community Partner agencies.

### **Over \$150.000**

First Financial Bank Hendrick Health System

### \$100,000 - \$149,999

Abilene ISD Abilene High School Adult Learning - Alta Vista ATEMS Austin Elementary Bassetti Elementary Bonham Elementary **Bowie Elementary** Clack Middle School Cooper High School Craig Middle School Crockett Early Head Start **Dyess Elementary** Holland Medical High School Jackson Elementary Jefferson Center Johnston Elementary Lee Elementary Long Early Learning Center Madison Middle School Maintenance Mann Middle School Martinez Elementary One AISD Administration Ortiz Elementary Planetarium Purchasing/Warehouse Reagan Elementary Taylor Elementary Technology Thomas Elementary Transportation Ward Elementary Woodson Center for Excellence

Beltway Park Church

### \$50.000 - \$99.999

City of Abilene The Rentech Companies Frontier Welded Products **Rentech Boiler Services** Rentech Boiler Systems The United Family Market Street #679 United Supermarkets #545 United Supermarkets #547 United Supermarkets #548

United Supermarkets #574 United Supermarkets #578

### \$25,000 - \$49,999

Atmos Enerav First Bank of Texas H-E-B #070

Wylie ISD Administration Early Childhood East Elementary High School Intermediate School Junior High Middle School West Elementary United Way of Abilene

### \$15,000 - \$24,999

Abilene Christian University **AEP** Texas Batjer & Associates Condley & Company, LLP **Dillard's Department Stores** First Bank Texas ResourceCare Star Dodge Chrylser Jeep RAM Hyundai UPS

### \$10,000 - \$14,999

Abilene Aero Betty Hardwick Center Clear Fork, Inc. Day Nursery of Abilene Eide Bailly, LLP Hardin-Simmons University Lantrip Custom Homes **Raymond James Financial** Services The Toro Company NSN

### \$5.000 - \$9.999

Abilene Chamber of Commerce AIM Bank Blue Cross/Blue Shield Processing Coleman County State Bank -Abilene Banking Center First Abilene Federal Credit Union McMurry University Prosperity Bank Wolfe & Company, P.C.

### \$2,500 - \$4.999

Abilene Glass & Mirror Baird **Big Country CASA** Bridgestone - Bandag | American Tire Central Appraisal District of **Taylor County** Development Corporation of Abilene First Baptist Church Abilene Noah Project Saulsbury Industries Zachry Associates

\$1,000 - \$2,499 Abilene Teachers Federal Credit Union Alliance for Women & Children AT&T Barr Roofing Batts Communication LP Ben Richey Boys Ranch Big Brothers Big Sisters Abilene Borden Duffel P.C. Boys & Girls Club of Abilene **BBVA** Compass C&W Leasing Corp. Cargill Animal Nutrition Center for Contemporary Arts Communities in Schools CSL Plasma FedEx Lauren Engineers & Construction, Inc. Lawrence Hall Dealerships McElroy Metal Neurosurgery Associates of West Texas O'Reilly Auto Parts Perry Hunter Hall Insurance Region 14 Education Service Center Team Health/Hendrick Hospital USAA Wells Fargo Advisors LLC Zachry Publications

### \$250 - \$999

Abilene Country Club AbiMar Food Inc. **APS Partners Big Country Restaurant** & Refrigeration Blevins, Inc. Border State Electric Cancer Services Network Christian Service Center Cross Plains ISD DATROO Technologies EFH Site - Morgan Creed Eli Lilly & Company FaithWorks of Abilene Illinois Tool Works **JC Penney Corporation** Keller Williams Realty KTAB-TV/KRBC-TV Lowes Home Improvement (South) Lowes Home Improvement (North) McCrav Law Firm NextEra Energy Resources ONEOK, Inc. Parkhill, Smith & Cooper Perkins Insurance Agencies, LLC **Pioneer Drive Baptist Church** 

Presbyterian Medical Care Mission R.E. Janes Gravel Co. **Regional Victim Crisis Center** SuddenLink St. Paul United Methodist Church Taylor County SWBC Mortage Texas Star Trading Co. Texas Trails Council - BSA The Salvation Army Turner Industries Group, L.L.C. Valley of the Sun United Way Wagstaff Law Firm Walker Interrante Family Fund Workforce Solutions of West Central Tx YMCA of Abilene Your Ideas Zachry Industrial, Inc.

#### **2020 PaceSetters** Completed campaign by Aug. 31, 2020

Abilene Aero Abilene Glass and Mirror Abilene Independent School District Alliance for Women and Children Big Brothers Big Sisters Boys and Girls Club of Abilene BSA Texas Trails Council **Cancer Services Network** City of Abilene **Christian Service Center Communities in Schools** Condley & Company Day Nursery of Abilene **Development Corporation of** Abilene Eide Bailly, LLP First Abilene Federal Credit Union First Financial Bank First Bank Texas Frontier Welded Products **HEB Food Stores** Noah Project **Rentech Boiler Systems** Rentech Boiler Services **Regional Victim Crisis Center** United Supermarket Family United Way of Abilene YMCA of Abilene Wylie Independent School District

## **MOST GENEROUS WORKPLACES**

impact in our community every day.

### **TOP 25** Listed in Investment Order **First Financial Bank Hendrick Health Abilene Independent School District** The Rentech Companies **United Supermarket Family City of Abilene Wylie Independent School District Atmos Energy United Way of Abilene** H-E-B Food Store #070 **First Bank Texas AEP** - Texas **Batjer & Associates, Inc.** Star Dodge Chrysler Jeep RAM Hyundai **UPS** Condley & Company, L.L.P. **Day Nursery of Abilene Dillard's Department Stores ResourceCare**

**Abilene Christian University** 

Hardin-Simmons University

**Betty Hardwick Center** 

**Toro Company NSN** 

Abilene Aero, Inc.

**Eide Bailly LLP** 

## WORKPLACE GIVING AWARDS

**Employee Giving Award First Financial Bank** 

**Rising Star Campaign First Abilene Federal Credit Union** 

**Small Employer Campaign of the Year Batts Communication** 

**Mid-Size Employer Campaign of the Year Dillard's Department Stores** 

Large Employer Campaign of the Year **Hendrick Health** 

**School Campaign of the Year One AISD** 

**Community Partner Campaign of the Year Day Nursery of Abilene** 

Loaned Executives of the Year Pamela Williams, City of Abilene **Jared Armstrong, Hendrick Health** 

**Employee Campaign Coordinator of the Year** Samantha Baker, First Financial Bank



City of Abilene campaign