



COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
of ABILENE

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Celebrating \$100 million of impactful grants made since 1985.



Granting out \$100 million over the past 33 years would not have been possible without the generosity and trust of our donors and the nonprofits putting those grants into action. Our donors allow us to bring their charitable goals to life, and the nonprofits use those grants to make our community a better place to live today and tomorrow.



IMPACT



Our fundholders have helped make the \$100m of impact possible.

A fitting example of how our donors can support the causes they care about from their funds is Lale Estes.

Lale is passionate about helping children. Her family's partnership with CFA enables her to carry out that passion.

Through the T&T Family Foundation, an endowment fund held at CFA, Lale and husband B.J. have impacted a vast amount of charitable organizations over the years.

Just this past year, a grant from one of the Estes family's funds provided funding for Marcel the Moose, one of the newest additions to the Adamson-Spalding Storybook Garden in downtown Abilene.

I want to help the children get started in life a good way...I want them all to be taken care of. They're little, innocent people learning, and we're adults and we ought to be taking care of them.

- LALE ESTES

#ABILANTHROPY STORIES

To celebrate our \$100m in grants milestone, we're giving community members a chance to experience being grantmakers. Anyone who uses the hashtag #Abilanthropy (our made-up word for philanthropy in Abilene) on social media could be chosen to select a nonprofit to receive a \$100 grant in his/her honor.

We're giving away 100 of the \$100 mini-grants between now and November. That's **\$10,000** for local causes! Thank you to the anonymous donor who contributed to these #Abilanthropy grants.

W H Y # A B I L A N T H R O P Y M A T T E R S

One of our community grantmakers is Robyn Wertheim. Robyn explains why she chose Strength for Life to receive her \$100 grant:

"In October, I went for my regular check-up. I have no family history of cancer, no lump you could feel and had just completed five tennis singles matches over three days in the Corpus Christi heat and humidity.

Well, my routine mammogram caught Stage 2 Inductive Invasive Carcinoma in my left side and a lymph node.

A friend told me about Strength for Life and I asked my doctor for a referral. They helped my mind, body and spirit endure the months of treatment.

Now that I have had surgery and am about to start radiation, I cannot wait to get back and get healthy again."



Enjoy our video impact stories!
cfabilene.org/impact-stories

Check out the all-new

OUR DOWNTOWN HOME



The best things in life are worth waiting for. That mantra has proven true as it relates to our new home in downtown Abilene! We broke ground in May of 2017 and held our open house exactly one year later. The new building is already serving as an excellent meeting space for nonprofit organizations.

MAY 25, 2018

A DATE WHICH WILL LIVE IN CFA HISTORY

We celebrated our official grand opening May 25, a day made even more special by Mayor Anthony Williams proclaiming the day as, "Community Foundation of Abilene Day." The Chamber of Commerce Redcoats helped us welcome the community with a ceremonial ribbon cutting. We are abundantly grateful to the donors who supported the building project. This day will forever be special to the CFA family.



IMPACT MAKING

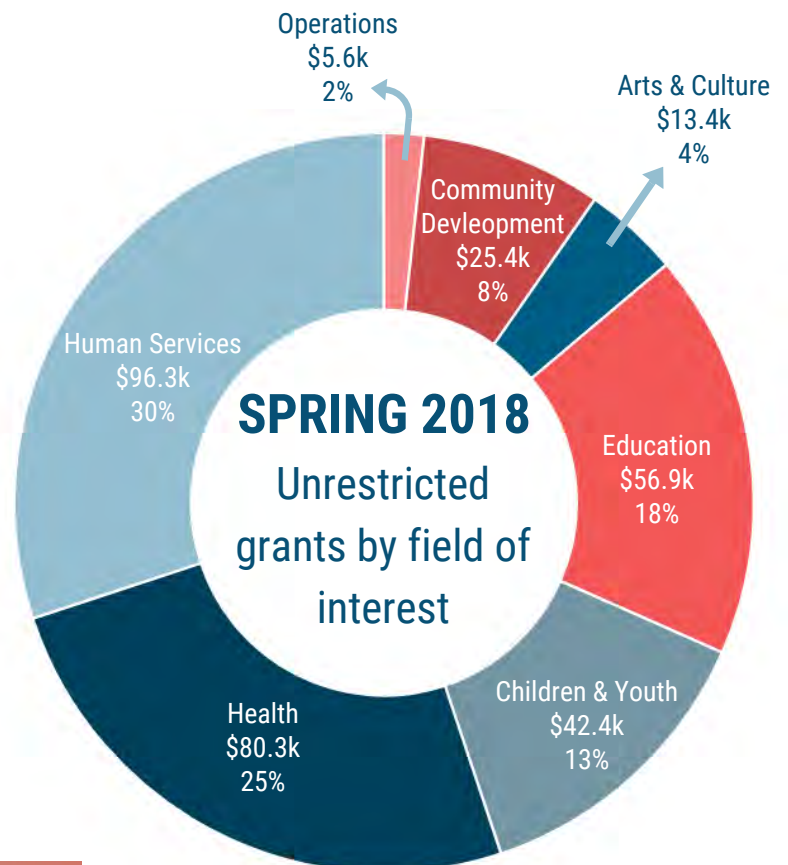


“You just don't know what's going to happen in life...finding this place was really good.”
 - BOBBY WESTBROOK,
 PRESBYTERIAN MEDICAL CARE MISSION PATIENT

CFA awarded more than \$301k in grants during the fall unrestricted cycle and more than \$320k in the spring.

Presbyterian Medical Care Mission is among the grant recipients, receiving \$25,000 to support the medical clinic which provides care to people who need assistance.

Future Fund awarded more than \$56.7k during its 2018 grant cycle.





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Be part of the impact.



If making a positive impact on our community matters to you, consider being part of the CFA family by becoming a Friend of the Community Foundation or a member of Future Fund.

ABOUT OUR FRIENDS

The Friends of the Community Foundation is a core group of supporters whose membership contributes to our administrative and operational costs. You can become a Friend for as little as \$200.

Learn more at cfabilene.org/friends.

ABOUT FUTURE FUND

Future Fund is a membership-based endowment fund that benefits children and youth in the Abilene community. Membership dues are pooled into the endowment, and grants are made each year to organizations serving local children.

Learn more at cfabilene.org/futurefund.