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PHILANTHROPY THAT ENRICHES OUR COMMUNITY

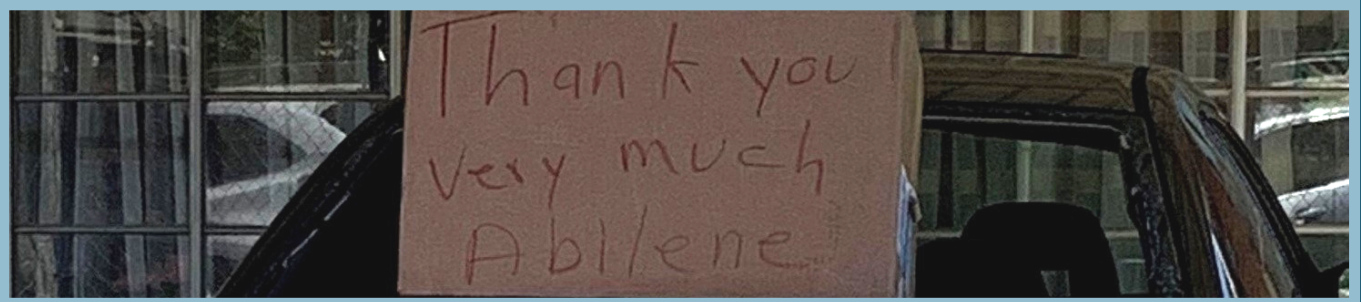


"The first half of 2019 has been truly impactful for CFA. Thanks to the generosity of donors and our strategic investment process to grow the endowment funds we manage, we have literally set records and been part of difference-making work for our community. Here's a snapshot:

- Reached an all-time high of \$133 million in total assets
- Future Fund reached a milestone of \$1 million in grants since its founding
- Awarded more than \$330k in college scholarships to area students
- Partnered with United Way to assist people directly affected by the May tornado

Everyone who supports CFA helps make this type of impact possible. Because of you, we're able to consistently find new, creative ways to facilitate philanthropy that enriches our community."

- KATIE ALFORD • PRESIDENT/CEO



Abilene Disaster Relief Fund

When a destructive tornado hit Abilene May 18, the Community Foundation of Abilene established the Abilene Disaster Relief Fund as a safe and effective way for people to donate to help people directly impacted by tornado damage.

#ABILENESTRONG

CFA and the United Way of Abilene have proudly joined forces in a unified effort to raise funds and provide assistance to those who have needed it.



The fund has raised more than \$500,000, much of which has been used to help people, like the sisters pictured here, with immediate relief needs.

Remaining funds will be for long-term recovery needs. These recovery funds will be granted to vetted nonprofits helping restore damaged property.

S P R I N G G R A N T M A K I N G

The Community Foundation of Abilene awarded nearly \$270,000 during our spring discretionary grant cycle. Funds granted during discretionary cycles are from Unrestricted funds established by donors who value CFA's ability to respond to the emerging needs in our community. Our Donor-Advised fundholders can also recommend grants from their funds to support the nonprofits applying for funding through these grant cycles.

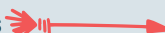


*YOU WILL NEVER KNOW HOW
MUCH YOUR HELP MEANT.*

Cancer Services Network was among the spring grantees, receiving a \$15,000 grant to support transportation needs for cancer patients like Emmitt Hataway.

Emmitt lives between Snyder and Roby and had to drive to Abilene every day for more than seven weeks to receive radiation treatments at Texas Oncology.

"You will never know how much your help meant, especially with the fuel costs. I put 9,000 miles on my pickup during the 7 1/2 weeks of cancer treatment."

See the full list of spring grant recipients  cfabilene.org/springgrants



A CELEBRATION OF FREEDOM

A \$7k grant went to the Abilene Black Chamber of Commerce Charitable Fund to support this year's Juneteenth Celebration. This grant funded activities to educate the community, particularly youth, on the significance of June 19, 1865, the date when news that slaves had been freed finally reached Texas.

Friends of the Community Foundation

It's only \$200 a year to become a Friend of CFA and support our ability to facilitate philanthropy that enriches our community. Learn more at cfabilene.org/friends.

\$1 Million of Impact!

Future Fund of Abilene reached a big milestone in 2019, surpassing \$1 million in grants made to nonprofits serving children and youth since its founding in 1995. The 2019 Future Fund grant cycle awarded \$104k in grants, the most awarded in a single cycle in Future Fund history.

We celebrated with "money bombs" live on Facebook! These were surprise grants to these nonprofits serving children and youth: Connecting Caring Communities, AMBUCS, Special Olympics Texas and RVCC.



Katie & Cade Browning, Future Fund members and CFA fundholders, presented a first-place check to Big Country CASA for winning the live grantmaking contest at the spring membership party!



Abilene Community Theatre took second place in the live grantmaking contest at the spring party with their rap about the impact ACT makes in our community. Who knew local actors could rap?



**Learn more about membership at
cfabilene.org/futurefund**

Did you know?

Our donors also have the opportunity to recommend grants from their funds to support applicants through the Future Fund grant cycles!

..... UPCOMING CFA HAPPENINGS

- **August 13** - Friends of CFA Breakfast at the Community Foundation. Learn more at cfabilene.org/friends.
- **September 14** - Future Fund concert for members and prospective members. Learn more at cfabilene.org/futurefund.
- **October 24** - Lunch & Learn for Donor-Advised fundholders. More info coming soon.

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Meet Jasmine

We are excited to introduce Jasmine McCabe-Gossett as the new Donor Services Director at CFA. Contact her any time to chat about how CFA can connect you to the causes you care about. Read her blog post at cfabilene.org/blog. jasminemg@cfabilene.org • 325-676-3883

New Board Members

We are honored to welcome our two newest CFA trustees, Lee Hampton and Sam Vinson.

cfabilene.org/team



GIVE WHERE YOU LIVE!

The community made its biggest impact to date during our third annual Abilene Gives, a 24-hour day of giving presented by CFA to raise awareness and money for local nonprofits.

\$730k Total amount raised for local nonprofits

121 Participating nonprofits from the Abilene region

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE
NEXT ABILENE GIVES!

MAY 5, 2020