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SAN ANGELO AREA FOUNDATION

San Angelo Area Foundation 2020 Grants

The spring 2020 competitive grant program of the Foundation was able to award over \$225,000 including the following causes and organizations. “We are grateful to those who enable us to respond to changing community needs, support innovative solutions to community challenges and enhance the quality of community life in the Concho Valley,” said Matt Lewis, President and CEO of the Foundation. Generous donors who have entrusted the Foundation to manage their donor advised funds, discretionary, and field of interest funds, as well as unrestricted funds given to the Foundation make the following grants possible.

- Baptist Memorials Ministries \$20,000** – Help with facility improvements to ensure safety of residents
- Boys & Girls Club of San Angelo \$20,000** – Support with STEM learning for area youth for after school and summer programs
- Catholic Outreach Services of San Angelo \$20,000** – Assist with facility improvements to help expand services to support persons in need
- Civil Air Patrol San Angelo Composite Squadron \$20,000** – help develop a designated facility for classroom space and storage at Mathis Field
- Downtown San Angelo \$20,000** – Assist with downtown streetscape update with historic street lighting
- East Concho Volunteer Fire Department \$2,005** – Help with update of radio equipment
- Junior League of San Angelo \$5,000** – Support of JLSA Student Closet program serving at youth risk
- Ozona Community Center \$8,750.00** – Help with kitchen improvements to childcare facility
- Sterling County Senior Citizens Center - \$10,000.00** Facility renovations to maintain safety of facility for seniors served
- Sutton County Food Pantry and Resource Center \$10,000.00** – Help with roof repairs and replacement of HVAC
- Sutton County Health Foundation \$30,000.00** – Support with chest compression system
- United Way of the Concho Valley \$10,000.00** – Assist with technology upgrades
- West Texas Counseling & Guidance \$100,000.00** – Support of expansion and renovation of facilities and services

In addition, the San Angelo Area Foundation **mobilized nearly \$300,000** for local charities in effort to quickly provide emergency grants to charitable organizations in the Concho Valley who experienced increased service demands and/or were impacted by the economic consequences as a result of the pandemic.

With concern areas ranging from food insecurity to mental health, 37 organizations have received emergency grants to provide critical services and tackle difficult community challenges. The San Angelo Area Foundation continues to work alongside local charities who are assisting individuals, families, and the community who may be most impacted by this pandemic. The following organizations received emergency grants.

Alcohol & Drug Abuse Council for CV	Support for treatment program during pandemic
American Heart Association	Purchase CPR kits and provide training for parents staying at home
American Red Cross	Supporting COVID19 victims in quarantine with home displacement
Art in Uncommon Places	Manufacturing face shields for essential workers
Ballet San Angelo	Assistance for deep cleaning of space and cleaning equipment
Boys & Girls Club of San Angelo	Added food and added labor for childcare of essential workers
Boys Scouts of America	Ongoing programing support of remote program offerings
Children's Advocacy Center	Support for additional therapist due to increased child abuse
Christians in Action	Utility and rental assistance increase for clients
Concho Valley Community Action Agency	Home utilities and rental assistance for homeless and homeless prevention
Concho Valley Home for Girls	Added food costs for girls not in school due to canceled schools
Concho Valley Regional Food Bank	Securing added food for agencies and back-pack program
Concho Valley Turning Point	Food and shelter for clients, homeless and parolees
Early-Redwine Child Care Center	Childcare for essential workers children
Family Clinic of Sterling City	Additional PPE equipment for only clinic in Sterling County
Grape Creek UMC Loaves & Fishes	Added food for Grape Creek residents food pantry program
House of Faith	Increased social distancing and PPE costs for disadvantaged youth camps
Houze of Power	Utility and rental assistance increase for clients
Institute of Cognitive Development	Cleaning and sterilization assistance for group homes
Joseph Thomas Foundation	Medical equipment for homebound special needs persons unable to travel
Joshua 1:2 Fellowship	Food and shelter for homeless and person with addictions
Meals for the Elderly	Added shelf-stable foods for clients to last three weeks
Mustard Seed Pantry	Added food for Lake View residents through food pantry program
Railway Museum of San Angelo	Ongoing programing support of remote program offerings
San Angelo Early Childhood Center	Sterilization assistance for childcare provider of essential workers
San Angelo Performing Arts Center	Programing support and help with deficit operations due to canceled season
San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts	Programing support - help support virtual arts learning for school age kids
San Angelo Symphony	Programing support and help with deficit operations due to canceled season
Sara's Shared Dream: Feeding McCulloch County	PPE supplies for feeding program in McCulloch County
Schleicher County Wellness Center	Operational support of only wellness center in Schleicher County
St Paul Presbyterian Church	Drive-thru food distribution of extra supplemental groceries
The People/Plant Connection	Support planting of community garden
VFW-San Angelo Chapter	Support of VFW and those they serve while facilities are shut down
Volunteer Services Council	Supplies for PPE for volunteers and residents to make masks and gowns
West Texas Counseling & Guidance	Laptops to conduct virtual counseling sessions
YMCA	Childcare for essential workers children
Young Life San Angelo	Food, diapers and formula support for teen moms

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On May 5, 2020, the San Angelo Area Foundation hosted its 6th San Angelo Gives, connecting our Concho Valley communities with local causes. The overwhelming response by thousands who contributed helped pump over **\$2.6 million** of charitable dollars back into supporting causes that are responding to critical needs and tackling difficult community challenges. “The generosity displayed during San Angelo Gives is a true testament to our community and proves that even during the most difficult times, our community stands strong together”, states Lewis. Visit www.sanangelogives.org to see the results of each charitable organization.

The San Angelo Area Foundation manages over 360 charitable funds benefiting a multitude of causes throughout the Concho Valley. Established in 2002, the San Angelo Area Foundation is a community foundation with assets over \$150 million and has granted over \$100 million to area causes since inception. For more information about the Foundation, please visit our website www.saafound.org or contact us at 325-947-7071.