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... nurturing a legacy of philanthropy in West Texas

# Area Foundation NEWS

Fall/Winter 2015

Report on the activities of the San Angelo Area Foundation

## \$2 MILLION GRANT TO BUILD MISSING BARRACKS AT FORT CONCHO



The San Angelo Area Foundation announces—through an anonymous donor working with the Foundation—a \$2 million grant has been awarded to the Fort Concho Foundation with the purpose of reconstructing the missing Barracks and Mess Halls 3 & 4 at the historic site.

Barracks and Mess Halls 3 & 4 have been missing for more than a century and would be reconstructed in the

most accurate manner, following their period appearance and all state and national preservation and restoration standards that guide the Fort in its status as a National Historic Landmark, according to Fort Concho site manager Bob Bluthardt.

The interiors of the structures will be adapted and furnished to house a single location for a large research and special book collection currently housed in

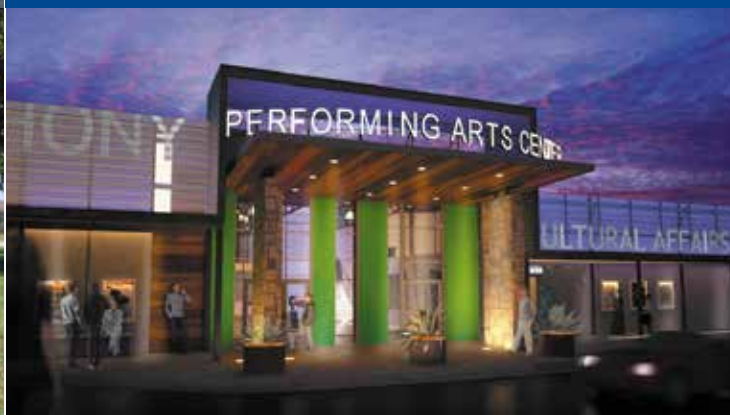
several site buildings. Combined with the existing Fort holdings and special collections, this facility would place Fort Concho's research resources in the top tier for frontier and military history.

This grant will move the site's restoration several giant steps ahead while providing a suitable location for a very special collection that has been entrusted to Fort Concho.

Some photos courtesy Jim Bean



## TRANSFORMING TOMORROW



### SAAF MISSION

The mission of the San Angelo Area Foundation is to build a legacy of philanthropy by attracting and prudently managing endowment funds that match donor interests with community needs in our area.

### SAAF VISION

The San Angelo Area Foundation exists to make philanthropic giving in San Angelo and the surrounding area easier and more efficient.

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# SAN ANGELO Gives

## TOP 20 ORGANIZATIONS\* SAN ANGELO GIVES 2015

Cornerstone Christian School .....	\$102,535
Rust Street Ministires .....	\$75,671
SAAF Funds .....	\$59,330
House of Faith .....	\$48,71
Ambleside School of San Angelo .....	\$45,674
Preganancy Help Center of Concho Valley .....	\$34,499
Concho Valley Turning Point .....	\$27,254
West Texas Counseling & Guidance....	\$26,517
Baptist Retirement Community .....	\$22,085
San Angelo Performing Arts Coalition...	\$14,777
San Angelo Symphony .....	\$14,267
Children's Advocacy Center of Tom Green County, Inc. ....	\$13,193
Sutton County Community Trust.....	\$11,865
Meals for the Elderly .....	\$11,565
Promises for Families Foundation.....	\$11,248
San Angelo Civic Ballet .....	\$10,749
Concho Valley Paws.....	\$10,259
Sutton County Food Pantry .....	\$8,391
Critter Shack .....	\$8,364
West Texas Boys Ranch.....	\$7,947

\*Totals include amount raised plus amplification

On May 5, 2015, the San Angelo Area Foundation launched *San Angelo Gives*, the first online giving day that tapped into our community's passion for giving. The event brought together new and existing donors with more than 111 participating local nonprofits, vividly demonstrating our community's strong spirit of philanthropy.

In just 24 hours, *San Angelo Gives* raised more than **\$787,000**, connecting the Concho Valley with community nonprofits to reinforce the value of both local philanthropic giving and community engagement. The almost 3,300 donations made during the 24-hour period were amplified by local bonus funds raised by the San Angelo Area Foundation. Participating nonprofits also won special cash prizes given throughout the day.

*San Angelo Gives* is a day of giving to celebrate the nonprofits in our community, an opportunity to raise thousands of dollars, and a way to recognize the impact we can make in our community when we join together.

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR to help make *San Angelo Gives* a huge success in 2016. Join thousands in our community and give online to your favorite causes on May 3, 2016!**

Visit [sanangelogives.org](http://sanangelogives.org) to learn more about San Angelo Gives.

**SAVE  
THE DATE  
May 3, 2016**

## SAAF 2015 GRANT AWARDS

In addition to the Fort Concho grant, the Foundation announces \$317,500 in grants towards the following organizations and causes. These grants are a part of the discretionary grant-making program of the Foundation, through unrestricted gifts as well as donor advised funds and field of interest funds.

- Boys and Girls Club—\$18,500**  
Celebrate 50 years in San Angelo to recruit "More Members, More Initiative"
- Brady Volunteer Fire Department—\$15,000**  
EMS and fire safety equipment
- Camp Good Samaritan (Sonora)—\$25,000**  
Summer camp program supporting summer learning in Sonora
- Critter Shack—\$15,000**  
Assist hiring of a veterinarian to help provide no/low cost spay and neutering
- Greater Works Community Development Center (Mason)—\$10,000**  
Support of outreach and HVAC repairs
- Rust Street Ministries—\$50,000**  
Help rehabilitation of private space for client intake interviews
- San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts—\$15,000**  
En Plein Air Texas National Art Competition transitional funding
- San Angelo Performing Arts Coalition—\$24,000**  
Assist with City Auditorium rehabilitation project
- Sonrisas Trails—\$40,000**  
Assist with move to Mosaic Arena
- Sutton County Health Foundation—\$70,000**  
Five new automatic external defibrillators, repair and replacement parts, and help with Food Pantry project
- West Texas Guidance and Counseling—\$10,000**  
Assistance to locate new counseling office on the 6th floor of the Cactus
- Young Life—\$25,000**  
Building of meeting facilities inside Rust Street Ministries location

Grant application information can be found at [www.saafound.org](http://www.saafound.org)

## SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

The Foundation awarded 459 scholarships totaling \$759,537 to talented, hardworking area students in 2015. Scholarship awards are possible thanks to the generosity of donors, who have created more than 100 different scholarship funds, each with its own criteria for the selection process. Awards vary from \$250 to \$5,250 per semester. Collectively, donors have provided more than \$6 million in scholarship awards over the past 10 years.

Applications are taken online each year starting January 1st and must be submitted by March 1st. Awards are announced in May; payments to follow in the fall.

To learn more or to apply for scholarships at the Foundation, visit our website at [www.saafound.org](http://www.saafound.org) and click on the Scholarships tab.



## HELPING OUR COMMUNITY THROUGH RUST STREET

Rust Street Ministries was established in 2003 as a place of support for our neighbors in need of temporary assistance. Rust Street programs contribute to the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of the people in the Concho Valley by providing clothing, food, household items, furniture, health education, and spiritual classes. All this is done without cost to those who meet eligibility guidelines.

Grant funding from the San Angelo Area Foundation helped to renovate 4,349 square feet of private interview areas, counseling rooms, classrooms, and restroom facilities. Trained staff and volunteers engage an average of 40 clients per day, and the renovation of the client service area will provide a safe, confidential area to interview, assess, and meet the needs of those seeking assistance.

More than 22,000 men, women, and children received more than 63,000 articles of clothing, almost 236,000 pounds of food, and various household items and appliances through Rust Street Ministries last year. "The expansion of this facility is essential to provide a safe and secure place that fosters confidentiality, respect, and dignity for both clients and volunteers," said Don Foster, Rust Street Ministries board president.

## 2015 BY THE NUMBERS

- 285** permanent funds (YTD)
- 459** scholarships awarded
- \$6.1 million** gifts (YTD)
- \$6.9 million** grants (YTD)
- \$106 million** total assets (YTD)