

WHAT WE DO

Since 1953, Communities Foundation of Texas has grown to become one of the nation’s largest community foundations. We represent our donors’ charitable interests and add value through our wealth of community knowledge, along with the leadership of our volunteer board of trustees and the expertise of a professional staff. CFT is committed to serving and understanding donor needs, expertly handling complex gifts, wisely managing charitable funds and leveraging community knowledge to increase charitable impact. CFT serves as a hub for collaboration between philanthropists, nonprofits and other funding organizations across the community.

VALUES

Enhancing the experience and impact of giving through:

1. Exemplary service;
2. Wise stewardship of resources; and
3. Trusted community knowledge.

TYPES OF FUNDS

- **Donor-advised funds** allow donors to remain actively involved in the grantmaking process.
- **Business-advised funds** support companies’ philanthropic goals with a full spectrum of services, including grantmaking, due diligence, site visits and community updates.
- **Designated funds** benefit a specific charitable organization.
- **Community impact** and **field-of-interest funds** trust CFT to use its discretion to award grants to local nonprofits meeting current, pressing community needs.
- **Scholarship funds** benefit students pursuing their academic dreams.
- **Supporting organization funds** are similar to donor-advised funds, but are legally separate tax-exempt entities from CFT, which offer more opportunities for donor involvement with grants and investments.
- **Nonprofit funds** allow nonprofits to benefit from CFT’s investment expertise.

FINANCIALS

FISCAL YEAR ENDING

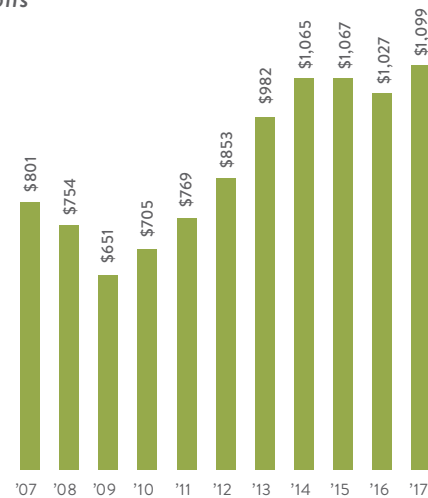
Total Assets:	June 30, 2017
Total Grants Paid:	\$1.099 billion
Total Gifts Received:	\$109 million
Number of Funds	\$95.3 million
	1,000+

CUMULATIVE GRANTS

\$1.7 billion+

ASSETS 2006-2017

in millions

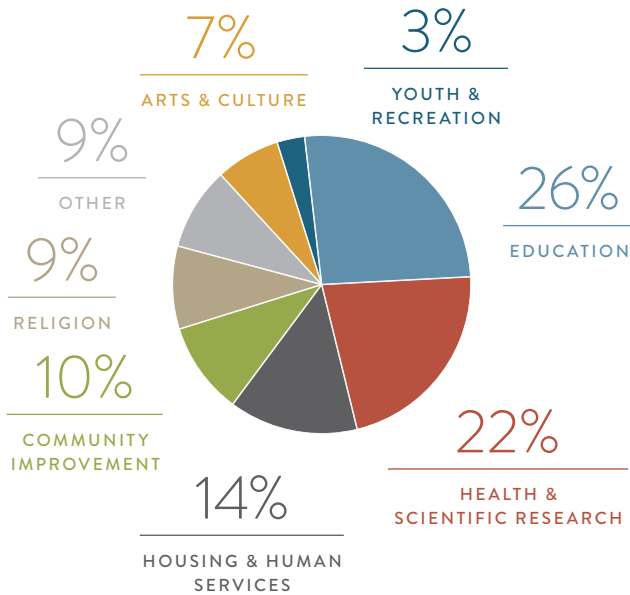


COMPOSITION OF ASSETS

W.W. Caruth, Jr. Foundation	397.3
Donor-Advised Funds	331.5
Designated Funds	104.6
Discretionary Funds	99.6
Other Supporting Organizations	88.0
Nonprofit Agency Funds	35.3
Scholarship Funds	17.6
General Operating Funds	15.3
Charitable Remainder Trusts	9.7

TOTAL ASSETS \$1,098.9

GRANT DISTRIBUTION FY 2017: \$109 MM



REPRESENTATIVE GRANTS

EDUCATION

- **Year Up:** - \$1.5M to support the launch of Year Up in Dallas in partnership with Dallas County Community College District. Year Up is a year-long workforce development program that equips young adults with market-specific technical and professional skills through classroom instruction and corporate internships.

ARTS

- **Texas Ballet Theater** - \$20,000 to support live musical accompaniment for four productions performed in both Dallas and Fort Worth during the 2016-17 season.

ANIMALS

- **Dallas Animal Services Commission** - \$25,000 to support a study by Boston Consulting Group, in partnership with other local foundations, to develop specific recommendations for addressing the loose dog problem in Dallas.

PUBLIC SAFETY

- **Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute** - up to \$7MM to support implementation of a comprehensive plan designed to divert individuals with severe mental illness from the criminal justice system to appropriate behavioral health care, thereby, reducing incarceration and recidivism rates in Dallas County.

KEY INITIATIVES

EDUCATE TEXAS

Educate Texas is an innovative alliance of public and private groups that share a common goal: improving the public education system so that every Texas student is prepared for success in school, in the workforce and in life. Launched in 2004 as the Texas High School Project, Educate Texas has made a positive impact on the lives of hundreds of thousands of low-income or underserved students in low-performing schools throughout Texas.

DATA DRIVEN DECISION-MAKING (D3)

CFT's prominent D3 Institute helps organizations improve strategic decision-making, refine budgets and develop new programs. The focus is on helping education-oriented nonprofits collaborate and use data to enrich students' academic and emotional well-being.

GIVING GUIDE

Last year CFT carefully reviewed more than 350 nonprofit requests and summarizes recommended projects in the Giving Guide. The online Guide becomes a key tool for CFT donors and companies to use when making decisions on how to make an impact locally.

NORTH TEXAS GIVING DAY

Launched in 2009 by CFT, North Texas Giving Day is the largest Giving Day in the nation. It is an online event dedicated to raising money for North Texas nonprofits. Bonus funds and prizes are provided by CFT and other local foundations, corporations and individuals. During the 2017 event, \$39 million was raised for 2,723 North Texas nonprofits, bringing the nine-year total to \$195 million.

WORKING FAMILY SUCCESS (WFS) NETWORK OF NORTH TEXAS

The WFS model provides individual clients and families with integrated or bundled services across three critical areas to support household economic stability: 1. Job placement, retention and skill building; 2. Financial coaching, and; 3. Income supports. CFT is currently working with nineteen agencies across DFW to open WFS centers.