Empowering through Endowment
Charitable Organization Endowment

The Charitable Organization Endowment program is one of the oldest programs at the Oklahoma City Community Foundation and one of the largest in the nation. In 1970, Jasper Ackerman established the first endowment fund at the Community Foundation to benefit the National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum. Today, the program has 1,378 funds representing 371 charitable organizations. Find a list of the funds at occf.org/centraloklahomacharities.

Saving for the Future

Whether it be your favorite central Oklahoma charitable organizations or a generous individual supporting those organizations, both have invested funds with the Community Foundation to support the organizations in perpetuity. Each year, the organizations receive a distribution check. The distributions recur annually and can be extremely beneficial in tough fundraising years – or in the face of a global pandemic. The strong investment strategy of the Community Foundation has resulted in strong performance of our endowed funds, allowing for continued growth for the fund in addition to the annual 5% distribution.

Why Give to Endowment?

A gift to endowment is a gift that lasts forever. Here’s a breakdown of how a gift given three different ways can impact an organization:

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- An annual $500 gift to support an organization’s endowment fund has a total impact of $20,200 over 20 years. ($10,000 in contributions + $3,800 in investment performance + $6,400 in annual distributions awarded back to the organization)

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- A one-time gift of $10,000 to support an organization’s endowment fund has a total impact of $31,400 over 20 years. ($10,000 initial contribution + $8,000 in investment performance + $13,400 in annual distributions awarded back to the organization)

What Can You Give to Endowment?

The Community Foundation can accept a variety of gifts from donors as well as support gift planning to maximize the impact to the donor and charity.

Charitable Gifts

- **Cash Gifts**
  Cash contributions may be in the form of cash, check, money order or cashier’s check and related to an Oklahoma City Community Foundation fund.

- **Credit Cards**
  Credit card giving can be done through donate.occf.org. Save one time, or set up recurring gifts.

- **IRA Charitable Rollover**
  Gift up to $100,000 from your individual retirement account and offset your required minimum distribution.

- **Real Estate**
  Take advantage of a variety of giving opportunities by donating land, vacation homes, commercial properties and primary residence.

- **Stocks, Bonds and Mutual Funds**
  Avoid paying capital gains tax on the sale of appreciated stock, bonds and mutual funds.

- **Business-Related Assets**
  Gifting a portion or all of a privately held C-Corp, S-Corp, LLC or limited partnership can be an efficient tax planning option in the event of a liquidity event.

- **Other Assets**
  Donate your copyrights, royalties, patents and oil and gas interests to the Community Foundation and receive an income tax deduction for the full fair market value of the interest.

- **Wills & Trusts**
  Leave a percentage or specific dollar amount provision in your will or trust, making Oklahoma City Community Foundation a beneficiary.

- **Retirement Plan Assets**
  The most efficient gift is naming Oklahoma City Community Foundation as a partial or outright beneficiary of your retirement plan, including IRAs, 401(k)s, 403(b)s, 457(b)s, and other qualified plans.

- **Life Insurance**
  Gift a fully funded policy during your lifetime or name the Community Foundation as a beneficiary.

Charitable Tools

- **Charitable Gift Annuities**
  Make a tax-deductible gift now in exchange for a lifetime income stream. At the end of the annuity, the remaining assets will go to the charitable fund of your choice.

- **Charitable Remainder Trusts**
  Use this tax strategy to minimize taxes on highly appreciated assets, while still receiving annual income for life or a stated period of time. Upon the trust’s termination, the remaining assets will go to the charitable fund of their choice.

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The following charitable organizations have established permanent endowment funds at the Oklahoma City Community Foundation as of June 30, 2021. Please note, many of these organizations have more than one endowment fund to support various programs. Organizations are listed categorically by service area with the date the fund was established. Learn how you can make a gift to any of these funds at occf.org/occf.

**ArtLink indicates New Endowment established since July 1, 2020**

**Diamond indicates Affiliated Fund**

## Arts & Culture

### ALLIED ARTS FOUNDATION | 1995
Formed in 1973, Allied Arts promotes the arts in central Oklahoma and conducts an annual fundraising campaign that benefits cultural organizations to help provide free or low-cost arts and cultural events for the community.

### AMERICAN BANJO MUSEUM | 2012
Located in downtown Oklahoma City’s Bricktown district, the museum preserves and promotes the heritage of America’s native musical instrument, the banjo. The facility displays more than 400 instruments and provides education on the history of the banjo.

### AMERICAN CHORAL DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION | 2009
Headquartered in Oklahoma City, the association provides music education programs and professional development opportunities for its nationwide membership of choral directors. Additionally, the organization promotes public awareness and understanding of America’s musical heritage.

### ARTS COUNCIL OKLAHOMA CITY | 1977
Founded in 1987 with the Festival of the Arts, the Arts Council Oklahoma City has grown to present year-round performances and events to connect the community with the arts. In addition, the organization provides arts education and outreach activities to underserved populations in Oklahoma City.

### CANTERBURY VOICES | 1982
Initially formed as Canterbury Choral Society at All Souls’ Episcopal Church in Oklahoma City, the 125-member adult volunteer chorus performs at the Civic Center Music Hall and collaborates with the Oklahoma City Philharmonic, Oklahoma City Ballet, Oklahoma City University singers and others. The organization also houses a children’s choral program.

### CHAMBER MUSIC IN OKLAHOMA | 1974
Established by a group of music lovers, the organization brings internationally-recognized chamber music ensembles to Oklahoma City through an annual music series held at Christ the King Catholic Church in Nichols Hills.

### CIMARRON OPERA | 1983
Located in Norman, Oklahoma, the CIMARRON OPERA performs fully-staged and costumed opera performances and offers learning opportunities for young vocalists and musicians.

### DEADCENTER FILM | 2020
The Fund was established to honor retired executive director Lance McDaniel and support the organization’s annual film festival that is home to award-winning education initiatives and film experiences.

### FINE ARTS INSTITUTE OF EDMOND | 1989
A community arts organization, the Fine Arts Institute of Edmond provides year-round art classes in visual and performing arts for children and adults in the Edmond community.

### JACOBSON FOUNDATION | 1994
Located in Norman, Oklahoma, the foundation provides the Jacobson House Native American Art Center in the former residence of Swedish-American artist Oscar Jacobson, who served as director of the University of Oklahoma School of Art from 1935–1954. The foundation supports educational exhibitions and programs celebrating Native American culture.

### JAZZ IN JUNE | 2007
The annual Jazz in June Festival is a free, three-day concert series held in Norman, Oklahoma, which features Oklahoma’s original jazz and blues artists.

### KCSC CLASSICAL RADIO FOUNDATION | 2016
The foundation provides support for the classical radio stations owned by the University of Central Oklahoma – KCCD, KWBC and KSOC. The three radio stations reach an audience of over $1 million people across Oklahoma.

### LADIES MUSIC CLUB OF OKLAHOMA CITY | 1987
Founded in 1980 by a group of Oklahoma City residents who wanted to bring culture to the people, the organization supports musical activities in the community and awards scholarships to students.

### LAWTON PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY | 1994
The fund was established to support the Lawton Philharmonic Orchestra that provides orchestral music to southwest Oklahoma through an annual season of classical, orchestral pops and children’s concerts.

### LYRIC THEATRE OF OKLAHOMA | 1971
Lyric Theatre is a year-round, professional musical theater company that produces classic, family and contemporary productions at the Civic Center Music Hall and Plaza Thetre. In addition, Lyric’s Theta Gaylord Academy offers professional musical theater classes for youth.

### JASMINE MORAN CHILDREN’S MUSEUM | 1993
Located in Seminole, Oklahoma, the museum features interactive indoor and outdoor exhibits that provide opportunities for children to explore a variety of potential careers.

### NATIONAL COWBOY & WESTERN HERITAGE MUSEUM | 1992
Located in downtown Oklahoma City, the museum houses an extensive collection of Western art and artifacts and sponsors educational programs to stimulate interest in the history and culture of the American West.

### OKLAHOMA ARTS INSTITUTE | 1978
The Oklahoma Arts Institute is a nationally-recognized literary and performing artists to teach a multidisciplinary fine arts program for Oklahoma youth and a series of summer education workshops for adults at the Quartz Mountain Arts and Conference Center in southwest Oklahoma.

### OKLAHOMA CHILDREN’S THEATRE | 1978
Located on the Oklahoma City University campus, Oklahoma Children’s Theatre engages children to participate in theatrical production through a year-perform season. The organization also provides educational experiences through drama classes, summer camps and residency programs at various Oklahoma City schools.

### OKLAHOMA CITY BALLETT | 1975
The professional ballet company provides classical and contemporary dance performances through its residency at the Civic Center Music Hall and touring productions. The organization also houses a dance school and offers various arts education programs for youth.

### OKLAHOMA CITY MUSEUM OF ART | 1992
Located downtown in Oklahoma City, the museum is home to a permanent collection of European and American art including one of the world’s largest collections of Dale Chihuly art glass. The museum also features national and international traveling exhibitions, a film program and art education classes.

### OKLAHOMA CITY ORCHESTRA LEAGUE | 1984
The group of music enthusiasts promotes orchestral and music education through support of the Oklahoma City Philharmonic, annual music competitions for youth and other educational activities.

### OKLAHOMA COMMUNITY THEATRE ASSOCIATION | 1986
The statewide association unites and supports community theatres in Oklahoma and coordinates the Community Theatre Shorts Festivals, educational workshops and a lending library of resources.

### OKLAHOMA CONTEMPORARY ARTS CENTER | 1989
Located in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Contemporary Arts Center provides the community with arts and education programming for adults and youth. Formerly City Arts Center, the organization features contemporary art exhibitions and offers a variety of classes, lectures, workshops and special events.

### OKLAHOMA MUSEUMS ASSOCIATION | 1994
The organization provides support, professional training and other resources to museums, historical societies and related institutions statewide. The association also works to increase public awareness of museums as resources through advocacy and education efforts.

### OKLAHOMA PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY | 1995
The fund supports the Oklahoma City Philharmonic, an orchestra that performs a series of classical, orchestral pops, discovery and family concerts at the Civic Center Music Hall and other community venues. In addition, Oklahoma City Philharmonic provides collaborative performances with groups including the Oklahoma City Ballet and Canterbury Voices.

### OKLAHOMA SHAKESPEARE IN THE PARK | 1989
The professional theater company presents an annual outdoor summer series of Shakespearean works at the Myriad Botanical Gardens Water Stage in downtown Oklahoma City, as well as performances in the Paseo Arts District and other venues. In addition, the organization offers year-round touring productions, teaching residencies and educational programs to students throughout the state.

### OKLAHOMA VISUAL ARTS COALITION | 1998
The organization provides support for artists throughout the state through education, exposure and funding. OAC promotes public interest in the arts and helps people of all ages understand the visual arts through publications and events.

### OKLAHOMA YOUTH ORCHESTRAS | 1997
The group provides advanced orchestral education and performance opportunities for middle and high school students throughout central and western Oklahoma.

### OKLAHOMA’S INTERNATIONAL BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL | 2011
This annual festival in Guthrie, Oklahoma, promotes the bluegrass industry and works to educate the public about bluegrass music, its history and presence in Oklahoma. In addition, the organization supports youth through music scholarships and educational opportunities.

### OPRY HERITAGE FOUNDATION OF OKLAHOMA | 2012
The organization supports the Robert Opry, a live country music show in Stockyards City. The group operates the Opryland Community Music School that provides music lessons for children. In addition, the group provides performance and supportive workshops for aspiring musicians.

### PASCO ARTISTS ASSOCIATION | 1992
The Fund was established to encourage others to support the preservation of the Paseo Arts District and its outreach programs, exhibitions and performances. Located in the area of 28th Street and North Walker Avenue in Oklahoma City, the Paseo features a community of artists, galleries, art schools and restaurants.

### PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY OF AMERICA | 2010
With a headquarters in Oklahoma City, this international member organization promotes photographic excellence and cultural exchange through competitions and educational programs.

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**OKLAHOMA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION**
**PRAIRIE DANCE THEATRE | 1979**
The organization provides free dance education designed to engage and motivate students through outreach programs in Oklahoma City public elementary schools.

**RED EARTH | 1983**
The organization promotes and preserves the rich traditions of American Indian art and culture through education, fine art markets and a museum in downtown Oklahoma City. Annually, it holds the Red Earth Native American Cultural Festival with three days of dance and visual art.

**SCIENCE MUSEUM OKLAHOMA | 1991**
Originally founded by John E. Kirkpatrick as the Kirkpatrick Center, the museum offers hands-on exhibits, educational programs and activities that promote science literacy for youth and adults at its location in northeast Oklahoma City.

**SVOIC VOKALS OF OKLAHOMA | 2002**
Formerly known as OK Corale, the men's a cappella chorus provides performances, seminars and competitions that promote the art of four-part harmony singing known as barbershop throughout Oklahoma.

### Community Development

**ASSOCIATION OF FUNDRAISING PROFESSIONALS, OKLAHOMA CHAPTER | 2005**
The fund supports the Oklahoma chapter of an international association that advances philanthropy by enabling people and organizations to generate support for a wide variety of charitable institutions utilizing the practices of ethical and effective fundraising.

**ESCO – EXECUTIVE SERVICE CORPS OF CENTRAL OKLAHOMA | 2007**
The group of retired professionals provide volunteer consulting services to nonprofit organizations in central Oklahoma on organizational issues including management, governance, finance and executive director coaching.

**EXECUTIVE WOMEN INTERNATIONAL | 1983**
The Oklahoma City chapter of an international women’s organization, the group provides professional development opportunities for women and supports scholarships for students in central Oklahoma.

**IMPACT OKLAHOMA | 2008**
An organization of women devoted to increasing philanthropy in central Oklahoma, Impact Oklahoma supports charitable organizations working in the areas of family, culture, health and wellness, community and education through an annual grant program.

**JEWISH FEDERATION OF GREATER OKLAHOMA CITY | 1978**
The organization was established to serve social welfare needs of the Jewish community in Oklahoma City. In addition, the Jewish Federation sponsors educational, cultural and community outreach programs and responds to issues in Jewish communities throughout the world.

**WILLA D. JOHNSON RECREATION CENTER | 2020**
An endowment was established at the Community Foundation to help youth participate in programs and activities at the center. Projected to open in spring 2022, the center honors former council member Willa Johnson for her years of service to the Oklahoma City and Oklahoma County communities.

**JUNIOR HOSPITALITY CLUB | 1980**
A local service club of young women in the Oklahoma City area, the Junior Hospitality Club provides fundraising and volunteer activities to support the civic, charitable and philanthropic needs of the community.

**JUNIOR LEAGUE OF OKLAHOMA CITY | 1977**
The local branch of the national organization of women, Junior League of Oklahoma City promotes volunteerism to improve the community through leadership-training and a variety of projects including its annual fundraiser, Mistleton Market.

**KIWANIS CLUB SPECIAL ACTIVITIES | 2000**
The fund was established by the Kiwanis Club of Oklahoma City to support programs that benefit-at-risk and special needs children in central Oklahoma. One supported program is the Kiwanis Early Education Program, a birth-to-school child development center located next to Mark Twain Elementary in northeast Oklahoma City.

**LEADERSHIP OKLAHOMA CITY | 1994**
The nonprofit organization provides a year-long training program to create and educate a network of community leaders who have a commitment to service and a broad understanding of the Oklahoma City community.

**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF OKLAHOMA | 1999**
The organization encourages informed and active participation of citizens in government and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

**MCALISTER SCOTTISH RITE TEMPLE RESTORATION/EDUCATION | 2013**
The fund supports restoration and preservation efforts for the historic McAlister Scottish Rite Masonic Center that was built in 1905.

**MIDWEST CITY ROTARY FOUNDATION | 2008**
The fund was established by the Midwest City Rotary Club to support scholarships for students in the Midwest City-Deb City area to pursue a college education.

### Honoring a Memory...

**A distinguished physician, expert in skin diseases and well-known Oklahoma City philanthropist, Dr. Mark Allen Everett applied his generosity to not only make a difference in the community, but also to honor the lives of those he loved.**

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**Over the next three decades, Dr. Everett established three more named funds honoring his parents and sister, supporting the Charitable Organization Endowment funds for Red Earth and the Bizzell Memorial Library as well as student scholarships in ballet, music, art, English, gymnastics and medicine.**

**Although he died in 2006, his charitable legacy of “having fun doing good,” as well as the lives of those he loved, live on through his support of Charitable Organization Endowment funds.**

**NATIONAL SOCIETY OF COLONIAL DAMES OF AMERICA IN OKLAHOMA | 1977**
The women’s organization supports patriotic activities, educational programs and awards to increase awareness of Colonial history and promote patriotism.

**NAVY LEAGUE FOR USS OKLAHOMA CITY (SSN-723) – U.S. NAVY TACOMA WING, TINKER AFB | 2018**
The organization supports services including recreation activities, awards and emergency leave for active duty Navy stationed at Tinker Air Force Base.

**NEIGHBORHOOD ALLIANCE OF CENTRAL OKLAHOMA | 1993**
The organization coordinates the development of neighborhood associations in central Oklahoma through training, networking, organizational support and information services to improve active participation in building sustainable neighborhoods.

**THE NINETY-NINES ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN PILOTS & MUSEUM | 1987**
An international association of women pilots, the organization provides networking and scholarship opportunities and preserves the unique history of women in aviation through its museum and education programs. The 99x Museum of Women Pilots is located near Will Rogers World Airport in Oklahoma City.

**OKLAHOMA CENTER FOR NONPROFITS | 1993**
With offices in Oklahoma City and Tulsa, the organization provides training, consulting, advocacy and networking opportunities to nonprofit organizations throughout the state.

**OKLAHOMA CRIME STOPPERS | 1983**
The organization provides a process for citizens to anonymously report valuable information to law enforcement and offers rewards to assist with solving crimes in the Oklahoma City area.

**OKLAHOMA FIRE DEPARTMENT PROJECT LIFE ENDOWMENT | 2016**
The fund was established by the Oklahoma City Fire Department to support public awareness of fire and other safety hazards and to provide funding for special projects such as smoke alarms for seniors and the Goats for Kids program.

**OKLAHOMA FOUNDATION FOR ARCHITECTURE | 2009**
The organization promotes quality architecture in Oklahoma City through projects including architecture guides and tours, preservation efforts, competitions, educational programs and scholarships for students.

**OKLAHOMA CITY METRO LITERACY COALITION | 2015**
A collaboration of literacy providers, the coalition works to strengthen services and present a unified voice for literacy in the Oklahoma City metropolitan area. The organization provides a referral phone line and website to connect learners to literacy services, as well as funding for GED testing and tutor training.

**OKLAHOMA COUNTY BAR FOUNDATION | 1996**
The fund was established by the Oklahoma County Bar Association to support its charitable activities including grants to nonprofit organizations that advance the administration of justice in the community.

**OKLAHOMA ENERGY TRAILS FOUNDATION | 2018**
Formed by members of the Oklahoma Association of Electric Cooperatives, the nonprofit supports electric utilities infrastructure projects in developing countries.

**OKLAHOMA LIONS SERVICE FOUNDATION | 1992**
The foundation was established as a fundraising arm to encourage Lions Club members in Oklahoma to support worldwide service projects.

**POSITIVELY PASO | 2001**
Also known as Oklahoma City Housing Services Redevelopment Corp., this community-housing development organization works to revitalize neighborhoods in Oklahoma City by rehabilitating and constructing high-quality, affordable homes for sale to owner-occupants. Initially the group began working in the Paseo Historic District and continues to work in the neighborhoods of Capitol Hill, Classen-Ten Penn and Capitol View.

### Creating a Legacy

**The key to a feather art piece carved artist Kent Hellingworth the Kathleen Everett Upshaw Award, an award formed by the Kathleen Everett Upshaw Red Earth Fund established by Dr. Everett.**

Inspired by his mother’s selfless community service and his love of the arts, Dr. Everett began his relationship with the Community Foundation in 1973 through the establishment of the Berrien Knittand Upshaw Chamber Music Fund in memory of his brother-in-law.

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Building Bridges for Future Success

Bridges of Norman is not considered a large nonprofit. They aren’t known by every household in central Oklahoma. But the help they provide is substantial – especially for a particularly vulnerable group of youth in Norman.

Bridges works with around 60 high school students a year who live alone or in family crisis. They offer 20 fully furnished one-bedroom apartments as well as work with students in the schools to provide stability and assistance for those who have a safe place to live but lack necessities. But, there’s a catch: students must go to high school and they must graduate.

Then, they are training to become involved in the community through cultural, civic, educational and social activities, and provides scholarships for women.

Where I was going to go at night. There was certainty that I would be able to cook dinner - that there would be food, or electricity or running water.”

In 2020, Bridges took a significant step toward ensuring the future of their organization when they established a Charitable Organization Endowment fund at the Oklahoma City Community Foundation in honor of former board president and lifelong educator Liz Hedrick and her passion for helping teens. Through their new endowment fund, they are creating a scholarship to help a graduating Bridges student continue their education after high school, because Liz would want to know the students are continuing to learn.

“For smaller organizations, it can be challenging to set aside the money for endowment,” said Jennifer Meckling, Charitable Organization Endowment program director at the Community Foundation. “But endowment is so important to organizations both large and small, especially in years that aren’t normal – like we experienced in 2020. Bridges was able to capitalize on Liz’s legacy and incentivize its donors to give to the fund in her memory to ensure their programs can continue to support students who really need a helping hand.”

Education: Community Organizations

Alliance Francaise d’Oklahoma, Inc. | 2009
The membership organization teaches the speaking, reading and writing of the French language, cultivates appreciation of French culture and encourages friendship and mutual respect between the people of France and America. The group’s Eleanor Kipppatrick Franco-American Festival Program supports students in a two-week French immersion/exchange program.

Folio – Friends of Libraries in Oklahoma | 2009
The organization provides resources, services and networking opportunities to strengthen public libraries in Oklahoma through Friends of Libraries groups.

Friends of the Metropolitan Library System | 1983
The organization provides professional, fundraising and volunteer support for the public library system in Oklahoma County. Its annual book sale supports grants to local libraries.

Friends of the Mustang Public Library | 2006
The organization provides financial and volunteer support for activities and programs of the Mustang Public Library.

Friends of the Norman Public Library | 2002
The organization provides financial and volunteer support for activities and programs of the Norman Public Library.

Library Endowment Trust | 1991
The trust was established to support the Metropolitan Library System to provide community educational programs, broaden access to information, and enhance the quality of life for citizens in Oklahoma County.

Oklahoma Humanities Council | 1994
The organization provides funding and resources to connect Oklahomans with humanities education in subjects such as history, literature, art and philosophy. Through grants, traveling exhibits and other opportunities, the council helps to bring cultural programming to communities throughout the state.

Oklahomans for Special Library Services | 1998
The organization supports the Oklahoma City Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, which provides free services to Oklahomans who are visually impaired, learning disabled or have a physical limitation that makes it difficult to use regular print books. The library is located in the Oklahoma State Capitol Complex.

Payne Education Center | 1987
Located in Oklahoma City, Payne Education Center provides multi-sensory reading development training, curricula and resources to educators, therapists, tutors and parents to meet the special learning needs of students with language-learning differences such as dyslexia.

Weatherford Public Library Foundation | 2010
The foundation provides financial and volunteer support for activities and programs of the Weatherford Public Library.

Education:

Calumet School Foundation | 2003
The foundation supports activities and programs for the benefit of the students and faculty of the Calumet Public School District located in Canadian County.

Casady School | 1977
Located in northwest Oklahoma City, Casady School is an independent, coeducational Episcopal college-preparatory school for students in preschool through 12th grade.

Christ the King Catholic School | 1999
A program under the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City, Christ the King Catholic School is an independent Catholic school for students in preschool through eighth grade located in northeast Oklahoma City.

Christian Heritage Academy | 2008
Located in Del City, Oklahoma, Christian Heritage Academy is a coeducational, private Christian school for students in preschool through 12th grade.

Classen High School Alumni Association | 2017
The association preserves the history and traditions of Classen High School, which graduated more than 20,000 students between 1929 and 1985. In addition, the association recognizes the achievements of Classen School of Advanced Studies students and supports school activities.

Crescent Public Schools Foundation | 2009
The Foundation supports educational programs of Crescent Public Schools located in Logan County.

Deer Creek Schools Foundation | 1995
The Foundation supports academic enrichment opportunities for students of Deer Creek School District in Edmond, Oklahoma. In addition, it supports a grant program for special academic projects for Deer Creek teachers.
Noble Public Schools Foundation for Academic Excellence | 2014
The foundation supports grants to teachers and educational programs for the Noble Public Schools located in Cleveland County.

Oklahoma Christian School | 2008
Located in Edmond, Oklahoma, Oklahoma Christian School is an interdenominational, college-preparatory school for students in preschool through 12th grade.

Oklahoma FFA Foundation | 2000
The foundation supports scholarships and programs to strengthen agricultural education and the National FFA Organization to help students develop their potential for personal growth, career success and leadership.

Oklahoma Foundation for the Education of Blind Children & Youth | 1983
Located in Muskogee, Oklahoma, the foundation supports educational services, grants and scholarships for blind and visually-impaired children statewide.

Oklahoma Foundation for Excellence | 1986
The statewide nonprofit organization provides educational programs and awards for students and teachers to recognize and enhance excellence in public schools.

Oklahoma School of Science and Mathematics | 1990
Located in Oklahoma City, the Oklahoma School of Science and Mathematics is a two-year residential high school for Oklahoma students who excel in science and mathematics.

Positive Tomorrows | 1997
Located in Oklahoma City, Positive Tomorrows is an elementary school for children of homeless families. To help remove barriers to learning, the school provides resources including food, transportation and basic necessities for students.

Purcell Public School Foundation | 2016
The foundation supports educational programs to enhance academic excellence for the Purcell Public School District located in McClain County.

Putnam City Schools Foundation | 1992
The foundation supports grants, scholarships and educational programs for the Putnam City School District located in northwest Oklahoma City.

Rosaey Catholic School | 1986
Located in northwest Oklahoma City, the Rosaey Catholic School serves students in preschool through eighth grade and is affiliated with St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church.

Sacred Heart Catholic School | 2000
Located in El Reno, Oklahoma, Sacred Heart Catholic School serves students in preschool through sixth grade and is associated with the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City.

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic School | 1998
Affiliated with and located next to St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church in northeast Oklahoma City, the school serves students in preschool through eighth grade.

St. James Catholic School | 1992
Located in south Oklahoma City, the school is affiliated with St. James Catholic Church and serves students in preschool through eighth grade.

St. John Christian Heritage Academy | 1996
The fund was established as a memorial for Walter W. Jackson, daughter of a former pastor of St. John Missionary Baptist Church in northeast Oklahoma City, to benefit St. John Christian Heritage Academy. The Christian school serves students in preschool through seventh grade.

St. Mary’s Episcopal School of Edmond | 1994
The school serves students in preschool through fifth grade and is affiliated with St. Mary’s Episcopal Church in Edmond, Oklahoma.

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CATHOLIC SCHOOL | 1997
The school is affiliated with St. John the Baptist Catholic Church and serves students in preschool through eighth grade at its location in Edmond, Oklahoma.

Trinity School | 1989
Located in northwest Oklahoma City, Trinity School serves preschool through 12th grade students with learning differences.

Edmond Public Schools Foundation | 1989
The foundation supports academic projects and teacher grants in the Edmond Public School District.

El Reno Public Schools Foundation | 2006
Severals funds support teacher grants, student scholarships and other educational opportunities for the El Reno Public School District located in Canadian County.

The Foundation for Oklahoma City Public Schools | 1977
The foundation supports educational programs through collaboration with community partners to improve the quality of education in Oklahoma City Public Schools.

Guthrie Educational Foundation | 2009
The foundation supports grants, scholarships and awards for the Guthrie Public School District located in Logan County.

Harding Fine Arts Academy | 2013
The fund was established by Oklahoma City arts advocates John and Joy Reed Belt and the Harding Fine Arts Academy Trustees to support art education programs at the college-preparatory high school located in northwest Oklahoma City.

Heritage Hall School | 1996
Located in north Oklahoma City, Heritage Hall is an independent, coeducational college-preparatory school for students in preschool through 12th grade.

Kingfisher Educational Foundation | 2013
The foundation supports educational programs and teacher grants for the Kingfisher Public School District located in Kingfisher County.

Erna Krouch Preschool | 1979
Located at Temple B’nai Israel in northwest Oklahoma City, Erna Krouch Preschool provides an early childhood education program for children ages 2 to 5.

Bishop McGuinness Catholic High School | 1985
A program under the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City, Bishop McGuinness Catholic High School is a coeducational college-preparatory school for students in grades nine through 12 located in northwest Oklahoma City.

McCloud School Foundation | 2020
Established to enhance educational opportunities for McCloud Public Schools’ students and teachers, the McCloud School Foundation created endowment to support the 21st Century Memorial STEM Scholarship and other initiatives which encourage interest and participation in STEM-related education.

Midwest City-Dee City Public Schools Foundation | 2000
The foundation supports grants to teachers and schools to promote educational excellence in the Midwest City-Dee City Public School District.

Millwood School District Enrichment Foundation | 2009
The foundation supports educational programs for the Millwood Public School District located in northeast Oklahoma City.

Moore High School Alumni Association | 2005
The association provides scholarships and other services for Moore High School students.

Moore Public Schools Foundation for Academic Excellence | 2001
The foundation supports grants to teachers to provide additional educational opportunities for student success.

Mount St. Mary Catholic High School | 1983
Founded by the Sisters of Mercy of Oklahoma, Mount St. Mary Catholic High School is a coeducational college-preparatory school for students in ninth through 12th grade located in south Oklahoma City.
HILLEL FOUNDATION – UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA | 1982
The Hillel Foundation at the University of Oklahoma provides students of the Jewish faith with the opportunity to explore, religious and cultural programs throughout the year.

LANGSTON UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION | 1985
Several funds support general operations and scholarships for students attending Oklahoma’s only Historically Black university located in Langston, Oklahoma.

METRO TECHNOLOGY CENTERS FOUNDATION | 2014
The Foundation supports the expansion of facilities and programs and provides scholarships for adult and high school students at Metro Technology Centers, a career and technology education center with four locations in Oklahoma City.

OKLAHOMA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY | 1984
Several funds support general operations, the business and pre-medicine programs, a lecture series and scholarships at the four-year, private liberal arts university that is located in Shawnee, Oklahoma, and affiliated with the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma.

OKLAHOMA CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY | 1971
Several funds support general operations, scholarships and a faith and literature program at the four-year, Christian liberal arts university that is located in Shawnee, Oklahoma, and affiliated with the Church of Christ.

OKLAHOMA CITY COMMUNITY COLLEGE | 1983
Funds support general operations and scholarships at the two-year public high school located in downtown Oklahoma City.

OKLAHOMA CITY UNIVERSITY | 1971
Several funds support general operations, scholarships and other programs at the four-year, Christian liberal arts university that is affiliated with the United Methodist Church.

OKLAHOMA CITY UNIVERSITY FILM INSITUITE | 1998
The fund was established to support the Oklahoma City University Film Institute that offers the university and community the opportunity to view classic and contemporary international films in the Kerr McGee Auditorium in the Meinders School of Business.

OKLAHOMA CITY UNIVERSITY MEINDERS SCHOOL OF BUSINESS | 1998
Several funds support general operations and scholarships at the Meinders School of Business and its programs including the Steven C. Agee Economic Research and Policy Institute. Located on the Oklahoma City Universi campus, the school provides business education to graduate and undergraduate students.

OKLAHOMA CITY UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW | 1976
Funds support the Oklahoma City University School of Law that is located in downtown Oklahoma City in the historic building at 800 North Harvey Avenue that was constructed in 1920 as the city’s first high school. A graduate program of OSU, the law school is also home to the Oklahoma Innocence Project, Chickasaw Nation Law Library and the Judge Alfred P. Murrah Center for Homeland Security and Law Policy.

OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY – OKLAHOMA CITY | 1981
Several funds support the two-year branch campus of Oklahoma State University and its horticulture program.

OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY – SCHOOL OF CIVIL & ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING | 1991
Several funds were established by donors including James and Lailene Cobb to support scholarships for students attending the OSU School of Civil & Environmental Engineering.

REDLANDS COMMUNITY COLLEGE | 2000
Several funds support general operations and scholarships at the two-year public higher education institution located in El Reno, Oklahoma.

SOUTHERN NAZARENE UNIVERSITY | 2001
The fund supports scholarships at the four-year, Christian liberal arts university that is located in Bethany, Oklahoma, and affiliated with the Church of the Nazarene.

FRANCIS TUTTLE FOUNDATION | 1993
The fund provides scholarship assistance including books and tuition for students attending one of the Francis Tuttle ITT Tech Centers located throughout Oklahoma City.

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL OKLAHOMA | 1992
Several funds support a fine arts, scholarships and the Melton Legacy Collection of European and American art at the four-year university located in Edmond, Oklahoma.

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL OKLAHOMA – DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY & GEOGRAPHY | 2000
The fund supports developmental and research expenses for history and geography students at the University of Central Oklahoma.

UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA AIR FORCE ROTC DETACHMENT 675 | 2016
The fund provides support for students in the Air Force ROTC program at the University of Oklahoma.

UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA BIZZELL MEMORIAL LIBRARY | 1979
The fund supports purchase of materials at the main library on the Norman campus that provides traditional, as well as digital and innovative library services to students and faculty.

UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA MARCHING BAND | 1991
The fund was established in memory of band member Jerry Cooper and supports a scholarship for a member of the Pride of Oklahoma marching band.

UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER | 1986
Several funds support the alumni association, library and scholarships at the academic health center located in Oklahoma City.

UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA FRED JONES JR. MUSEUM OF ART | 1993
The fund supports the art museum located on the University of Oklahoma campus in Norman, Oklahoma.

UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA NAVAL ROTC | 1988
The fund supports a activities that strengthen and ensure viability of the Naval Reserve Officer Training Program at the university.

UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA SCHOOL OF DANCE | 2018
The fund was established in memorial of the founders of the University of Oklahoma School of Dance, Miguel Terekhov and Yvonne Chouteau, to support the OU School of Dance. The school offers undergraduate and graduate programs in ballet and modern dance, and is home to both a resident ballet and modern dance company.

Educational Support
BETA ETA LAMBDA SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION OF ALPHA PHI ALPHA | 2000
The foundation provides scholarships to deserving high school students and leadership and life skill training for middle school students in Oklahoma City to improve high school dropout and incarceration statistics.

INDEPENDENT INSURANCE AGENTS OF OKLAHOMA SCHOLARSHIP | 1992
The fund was established by the Independent Insurance Agents of Oklahoma in honor of Marie Welch, the first female president of the American Association of Managing General Agents, and supports scholarships for students who have chosen insurance as their major.

MARRKOMA CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES | 2007
The fund was established following the closure of the Markoma Christian School in Tahlequah, Oklahoma, and supports scholarships for former students of the school as well as students attending a Christian secondary school.

OKLAHOMA ENGINEERING FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP | 2020
The fund was established by the Oklahoma Engineering Foundation to support scholarships for engineering students at Oklahoma universities. The Oklahoma Engineering Foundation works to advance STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) education in Oklahoma and keep engineering professionals employed in the state.

OKLAHOMA NATIONAL GUARD ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION | 2014
The fund was established by the Oklahoma National Guard Association to support scholarships for undergraduate and graduate students who are members of the National Guard.

OKLAHOMA PILOTS ASSOCIATION | 1997
The fund was established by the Oklahoma Pilots Association in memory of pilot Vic Jackson to support an award for students studying aviation, aviation education or airport management.

OKLAHOMA YOUTH EXPO | 2013
The state’s largest youth livestock show, Oklahoma Youth Expo hosts participants from throughout Oklahoma at the annual event located at the Oklahoma State Fair Park and provides scholarships and leadership activities for students.

OSU – AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP INC. | 2000
The fund was established to support scholarships for students enrolled in the agricultural education program at Oklahoma State University.

For charitably-minded Oklahoma City residents Joe and Karen Leonard, giving back was always important. They spent their days volunteering their time, leading a life of caring and sharing and impacting the community where they could.

As Joe nearing his retirement from radiology and a long career teaching at the University of Oklahoma’s College of Medicine and the couple began to plan for the future, they knew they wanted to find a way to give back financially, too. Working with their financial advisor and the Oklahoma City Community Foundation, they decided to establish a charitable gift annuity.

“With a charitable gift annuity, we can ensure our commitment to these organizations continues well into the future and, at the same time, provide a source of income for our own future needs,” Joe Leonard said.

In addition to the long-term income and charitable support, a charitable gift annuity also provided the couple with immediate tax benefits as they began a new stage of their life. Though Karen passed in 2020, Joe is continuing to use his charitable gift annuity to carry out their philanthropic legacy.
OKLAHOMA CHapter

The nonprofit organization works to improve the image and appearance of Oklahoma City through beautification, anti-litter, education, adopt-a-park and advocacy programs.

OKLAHOMA GEOLOGICAL FOUNDATION | 2004

The foundation supports science education in Oklahoma through awards and grants for schools, teachers and students from elementary school through college.

OKLAHOMA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY | 1989

The society encourages interest in horticulture in Oklahoma through educational programs, public meetings and scholarships for students studying horticultural science.

OKLAHOMA IRIS SOCIETY | 2009

The group of iris enthusiasts promotes the growth, appreciation and study of the flowering plant through various activities, exhibitions and other events. Members also provide care for the Iris Gardens at Will Rogers Park in Oklahoma City.

OKLAHOMA RIVER FOUNDATION | 2005

Initially established with proceeds of the Holiday River Parade, the fund will provide continual support for maintenance, activities and public use of the Oklahoma River.

OKLAHOMA RIVERSPORT FOUNDATION | 2007

The foundation supports the facilities and programs along the Oklahoma River to improve the quality of life for citizens through sports and fitness activities, including rowing, kayaking and cycling. Formerly, the Oklahoma City Boathouse Foundation.

OKLAHOMA ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY | 1971

Also known as ZooFriends, the organization supports and promotes the Oklahoma City Zoo and its programs in education, conservation, zoological research and recreation.

SCISSORTAIL PARK FOUNDATION | 2018

The fund was established to provide support for Oklahoma City’s Scissortail Park, a 70-acre public space located south of the Oklahoma River and continuing to the shore of the Oklahoma River. Opened in June 2019, the park features ornamental gardens and woodlands, a 3.5-acre lake, children’s playground and water feature, picnic grove, restaurant and band shell.

SECOND CHANCE ANIMAL SANCTUARY | 2016

Located in Norman, Oklahoma, the no-kill animal shelter rescues adoptable dogs and cats from local shelters with the goal of finding permanent homes through pet adoption.

THE TREE BANK | 1990

The nonprofit organization coordinates collaborative landscape projects to promote and plant trees to enrich Oklahoma communities.

Health-Related

ABILITY CONNECTION OKLAHOMA | 1988

Formerly known as United Cerebral Palsy of Oklahoma, the organization works to enhance the quality of life for people with physical disabilities statewide through support programs, access to durable medical equipment and adaptive technology, residential facilities, scholarships and financial assistance.

ALZHEIMER’S ASSOCIATION – OKLAHOMA CHAPTER | 2003

The Oklahoma chapter of the national organization works to advance research and enhance care for those affected by Alzheimer’s disease. The chapter serves as a resource for patients and their families through education programs, a family caregiver series and support groups.

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY | 1975

The fund supports the Oklahoma City office of the national organization that supports cancer research and provides education, advocacy and other services for patients and their families.

ENDOWING THE FUTURE OF THE OKLAHOMA YOUTH EXPO

It’s hard for anyone to think of Bob Funk without also thinking of livestock and agriculture. Bob has been crucial to our state’s agricultural development since his arrival. Perhaps one of the few things Bob does consider more valuable than ranching is the advancement of youth in Oklahoma. "In 2020-21, Bob contributed $1 million to the Oklahoma Youth Expo endowment fund at the Oklahoma City Community Foundation. His gift was bolstered by a $1 million contribution to OYE’s fund from Bob’s longtime philanthropic companion, Herman Meiners. "Being involved with OYE teaches students character-building skills and valuable life skills," said Bob, who was essential to OYE’s formation in 2001 and has been involved with the organization as chairman of the board ever since. "Caring for an animal is hard work, yet rewarding. They will carry what they learn with them throughout their life, and that’s important for the future of our workforce."
The Oklahoma City Regional Medical Center is affiliated with various centers and varies the areas of the INTEGRIS health care system. INTEGRIS Foundation works to improve the health of the people and communities it serves by promoting philanthropy and providing funding for health care and wellness programs.

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society | 1999

The foundation provides education and support to patients diagnosed with a blood cancer, their families and health care providers. The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society also supports blood cancer research and advocacy to improve patient access to treatments and services.

LUPUS FOUNDATION OF OKLAHOMA | 1995

The foundation provides education and support to lupus patients and their families throughout the nation. The organization works to increase awareness of the disease and supports research toward finding the cause and cure for lupus.

DEAN A. MCGEE EYE INSTITUTE | 1972

Located on the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center campus in Oklahoma City, the institute provides eye health care for patients, supports vision research and sponsors training programs for medical students, residents and clinical fellows.

MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION OKLAHOMA | 2015

The organization offers programs for individuals and families impacted by mental illness including youth programs,educational services and other resources. In collaboration with various community partners, the association works through the network of medical centers to reduce stigma, identify gaps in services and promote access to effective treatment.

MERCY HEALTH CENTER | 1971

Located in northeast Oklahoma City, Mercy Health Center is affiliated with the national Catholic health system founded by the Sisters of Mercy. The health center provides medical services based on Christian values and works to positively impact the health and well-being of the communities it serves.

MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY — OKLAHOMA CHAPTER | 1984

The foundation supports the Oklahoma chapter of the national organization that provides medical research and patient services for individuals affected by the disease.

NATIONAL ALZHEIMER’S SOCIETY — OKLAHOMA CHAPTER | 1979

The organization promotes the prevention of Alzheimer’s disease through increased knowledge and understanding of the disease.

NORTH CARE | 2014

NorthCare provides outpatient behavioral health services including crisis intervention, counseling services and support groups in Oklahoma and Logan counties. Additionally, the organization provides home-based services for families affected by child abuse in communities throughout central and western Oklahoma.

Oklahoma children’s CHIROPRACTIC CENTER | 1999

The center provides chiropractic care and a natural, drug-free treatment for children with illnesses and disabilities at its location in Oklahoma City.

Oklahoma Blood Institute | 2008

Headquartered in Oklahoma City, the Oklahoma Blood Institute is the region’s leader in volunteer blood drives and recruitment of blood donors.

Oklahoma Caregiving Foundation | 2012

Administered by the INTEGRIS Health Foundation, this organization works to provide blood products needed for transfusions at medical facilities statewide through blood drives and recruitment of blood donors.

Oklahoma Heart Hospital/Heart Foundation | 1972

The foundation supports cardiovascular research and continuing medical education for health care professionals. In 1972, the foundation helped provide access to specialized treatments, clinical research and trial studies for heart patients at the Oklahoma Heart Hospital that has locations in north and south Oklahoma City.

Oklahoma Lions Sight Conservation Foundation | 2017

A project of the Oklahoma Lions Service Foundation, the fund supports the visual impairment services offered by the American Foundation for the Blind and distributes human-eye tissue for vision restoration, research and education.

Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation | 1983

Located on the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center Campus, the Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation is a biomedical research institute focusing on understanding and developing more effective treatments for human disease.

Oklahoma Physical Therapy Foundation | 2004

The foundation offers a grant program that provides support for education, research and community projects to enhance the skills of physical therapy professionals and improve the quality of physical therapy services for Oklahomans.

Paskinson Foundation of Oklahoma | 2021

The Parkinson Foundation of Oklahoma works to increase hope and transform life for Parkinson’s patients and families in Oklahoma. Providing educational programming to more than 1600 individuals and more than 100 family consultations each year.

PLANNED PARENTHOOD GREAT PLAINS | 1982

An affiliate of the national organization, Planned Parenthood Great Plains provides affordable reproductive health care services and education through a network of medical clinics in Oklahoma, Arkansas, Kansas and Missouri.

RUSSELL-MURPHY HOSPICE | 2006

Headquartered in El Reno, Oklahoma, Russell-Murphy Hospice is an open-access, non-profit hospice that provides end-of-life care through several locations in central and southwest Oklahoma.

St. Anthony Hospital Foundation | 1973

The St. Anthony Hospital foundation supports programs for patients of St. Anthony Hospital, located in Oklahoma City, as well as Bone and Joint Institute and St. Anthony’s and other SSM Health Care affiliates.

Stroud Regional Medical Center Foundation | 2012

The foundation works in the medical center and other community needs in the Stroud, Oklahoma, area including a scholarship for students entering the medical field.

TRC – THE RECOVERY CENTER | 1992

The Recovery Center provides comprehensive services, The Recovery Center provides both inpatient and outpatient medically-supervised detoxification services from alcohol and drugs. Located in Oklahoma City, the center also offers counseling, education and case management services for individuals and families affected by substance abuse.

VARIETY CARE | 1975

With a network of locations in the Oklahoma City metro area and surrounding communities, Variety Care provides primary medical, dental, vision and behavioral health care services on a sliding scale basis.

VIZAVANCE | 2004

Formerly Prevent Blindness Oklahoma, the organization provides free vision screenings to children throughout the state, as well as vision health and safety information through community, corporate and school health fair to help ensure sight and prevent blindness.

History & Preservation

4TH INFANTRY DIVISION MUSEUM | 1974

Located in south Oklahoma City, the museum features military artifacts, prototypes, and displays arts reflective reflecting Oklahoma's military history.

ARCADIA HISTORICAL & PRESERVATION SOCIETY | 1993

This volunteer membership organization works to preserve and promote the history of the Round Barn, a unique structure that was built in 1898 in Arcadia, Oklahoma, on world famous Route 66.

BREAK O’DAY FARM AND METCALFE MUSEUM | 2007

The museum houses a collection of 19th-century items and art and artifacts from the nationally-recognized Western artist, Augusta Corson Metcalfe, on the family’s original homestead located in Roger Mills County.

CLEVELAND COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY | 2004

The organization preserves the artifacts and properties of Cleveland County and Norman, Oklahoma, showcasing turn-of-the-century living in the Moss-Lindsey House, a restored Oklahoma homestead.

EDMOND HISTORICAL SOCIETY | 1999

The organization preserves the history of Edmond, Oklahoma, through a museum, education programs, collections and a research library located in the historic, the 1919 native sandstone Arnett built by John Stiles.

FREEDOMS FOUNDATION AT VALLEY FORGE | 2007

The fund was established by former World War II prisoner of war Pendleton Woods to encourage youth to participate in the national Maine’s Medal of Honor program.

FRIENDS OF THE OKLAHOMA HISTORICAL SOCIETY ARCHIVES | 1998

The fund was established in the historic archives division of the Oklahoma Historical Society. The Friends of the Oklahoma Historical Society Archival Library and archives collect, preserve, and support the Oklahoma Historical Society Archives.

FRONTIERS COUNTRY HISTORICAL SOCIETY | 2004

Located in Crescent, Oklahoma, the society’s museum preserves and exhibits an outstanding collection of pioneer artifacts from pre-20th century to the present.

HARN HOMESTEAD | 1987

Located near the state Capitol on original Land Run property that was later reacquired by the city of Oklahoma City in 2015, the homestead was designated a National Historic Landmark.

Lincoln County Historical Society | 2015

The society operates a museum in Chandler, Oklahoma that preserves local history through exhibits, collections and archival material to provide the education of future generations in a shared heritage. The fund was established by G. F. & K. B. Leppin.

Military Order of the World Wars | 2016

The fund was established by the Oklahoma City chapter of the national patriotic organization to encourage others to support the group’s youth programs including: leadership conference and awards for Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps cadets.

Oklahoma Archeological Survey | 1995

In cooperation with the State Historic Preservation Office and the Oklahoma Historical Society, this organization works to preserve and protect Oklahoma’s significant archaeological sites and artifacts. In addition, the group administers the Oklahoma Archeological and Historical Heritage Through School programs, publications and public presentations.

Oklahoma City–County Historical Society | 1979

The society preserves and promotes state and local history with an emphasis on Oklahoma’s history through educational programs. The group also holds programs individuals who have contributed to the preservation of Oklahoma Community through the annual “Pathfinder Awards.”

Oklahoma City National Memorial & Museum | 2020

This fund supports the memorial and museum on the site of the tragic 1995 bombing of the Murrah Federal Building. It represents a remarkable community consensus which evolved under the most difficult circumstances. "We come here to remember, reflect and to learn from those who gave their lives and those who changed forever. May all who leave here become the voice of peace. May this memorial offer comfort, strength, peace, hope and unity.”

Oklahoma Hall of Fame | 1978

Formerly known as the Oklahoma Heritage Association, the Oklahoma Hall of Fame honors Oklahomans who have given outstanding service to the state during their lifetime. Located in Oklahoma City at the Gaylord-Pickens Museum, the organization presents the hall of fame annually.

Oklahoma Historical Society | 1974

The Oklahoma Historical Society preserves and shares the history and culture of Oklahoma through its research, collections and archives. The society maintains museums, historic homes and military sites, including the Oklahoma Historical Center that is located northeast of the Oklahoma State Capitol.

Oklahoma Military Hall of Fame | 2015

The organization honors current and former military members from Oklahoma for outstanding service to our nation through the annual induction of 10 veterans and one active duty service member. The stories of each inductee are presented through an interactive display at the Oklahoma History Center in Oklahoma City.

Oklahoma Railway Museum | 2004

Located in north-east Oklahoma City, the museum honors the heritage of railroad and street rail transportation in Oklahoma. Exhibits include a variety of antique railroad equipment and over the historical railroad line. The organization also promotes railroad safety through a public education and awareness program.

Oklahoma Society Daughters of the American Revolution | 1999

Affiliated with the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, the organization is devoted to the promotion of national education, preservation, education and patriotism and offers scholarships for students.

Oklahoma State Firefighters Museum | 1999

Located in northeast Oklahoma City, the museum features a collection of artifacts related to firefighting in Oklahoma, as well as the first firehouse built in Indian Territory. Also located on museum grounds is the Oklahoma Firefighters’ Memorial.

Overholser Mansion | 1978

The territorial-era manse offers guided tours and programs to educate the public about the life of Henry Overholser, a business owner who was instrumental in Oklahoma City’s development. Located in Heritage Hills neighborhood, the restored mansion is under the care of Preservation Oklahoma.

Pottawatomie County Historical Society | 2018

The fund supports the Pottawatomie County Historical Society, which operates museums, historic homes, historic parks and Native artifacts and information about the history of Pottawatomie County.

Preservation Oklahoma | 2002

The organization promotes the preservation of Oklahoma’s heritage and historic sites, such as historic buildings, museums, and other cultural resources. The organization also provides educational and technical assistance.
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An unstoppable workforce

I was 1953 when a group of parents formed what would become the Dale Rogers Training Center. It began as a school, and the parents, who had young children with developmental disabilities, were inspired by Dale Rogers, an American actress, singer and songwriter, who had just published a book about her daughter who was born with Downs syndrome and died just short of age 2. As the children grew, so did their needs. In 1975, what was known as the Dale Rogers School transitioned to a job training center geared for people with development, learning, physical and intellectual disabilities.

Like the founding parents of the Dale Rogers Training Center, Don Ramsey and his wife, Willadean, had a son born with developmental and physical disabilities. Their son’s death at age five sparked the Blue & Gold Sausage company to commit a portion of their profits each year to the creation of the center.

“Don was not only helpful with his resources, but he was the first one who would help us find a solution to any problem we may have been having at that time,” said Connie Thrash McGoodwin, a former executive director of the Dale Rogers Training Center who worked closely with Don during his years as a member of the Center’s board of directors. “He truly wanted to make the world a better place.”

The largest agency of its kind in Oklahoma, the Dale Rogers Training Center in northwest Oklahoma City provides paid vocational training, in-house programs and employment opportunities for nearly 1,000 individuals with disabilities. Though Don died in late 2020, the contributions he and Willadean made to the endowment fund allow Don’s charitable legacy to endure.

— Connie Thrash McGoodwin, Dale Rogers Training Center former executive director
EL RENO BLESSING BASKETS | 2021* The organization serves children and families in need in western Canadian County through providing Christmas gift baskets, summer groceries and school supplies.

HOPE CENTER | 1986 Heartline connects Oklahomans in need to health and human services through its 21-1-1 information and referral help line, suicide prevention and outreach programs and crisis intervention services.

HOMELESS ALLIANCE | 2018 The Homeless Alliance serves people in long-term homelessness in Oklahoma City by building the capacity of the community through collaboration with other agencies and identifying and filling gaps in homeless services. The organization operates several housing programs and supportive employment enterprises including The Carriage Chronicle.

HOPE CENTER OF EDMONTON | 2005 Hope Center of Edmond serves as a central agency for Edmond residents providing social services to help meet the basic needs of citizens undergoing personal or crises. Services and programs include a resale shop, food pantry, and health clinic.

INFANT CRISIS SERVICES | 1986 Located on Lincoln Boulevard in Oklahoma City, the agency provides formula, food, diapers and clothing for babies and toddlers in times of crisis.

JESUS HOUSE | 1991 Located in downtown Oklahoma City, Jesus House is a recovery program for individuals experiencing homelessness, addiction and mental health issues. In addition to an emergency shelter, the organization provides food, clothing, household items and other social services to help support independent living among clients facing adversity.

LEGAL AID SERVICES OF OKLAHOMA | 2008 The organization provides legal representation and case-related services in low-income family law matters to low-income individuals and adult members of a family law case.

LIMBS FOR LIFE FOUNDATION | 2009 Located in Oklahoma City, Limbs for Life Foundation provides fully-functional household items and other social services to help support independence among individuals experiencing homelessness, addiction and mental health issues.

LIONS MENDS OF HOPE | 2015 Formerly the Oklahoma Lions Children’s Foundation, the Lions Mends of Hope is now a licensed foster care community providing family homes for sibling groups and boys and girls of all ages at its campus located in Perkins, Oklahoma.

MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION OF OKLAHOMA | 1997 The Oklahoma chapter of the national organization, Make-A-Wish fulfills wishes of children in Oklahoma who have been diagnosed with life-threatening illness.

MAKE PROMISES HAPPEN—CENTRAL OKLAHOMA CAMP | 1997 The fund was established to support Make Promises Happen, a program of Central Oklahoma Camps providing a residential summer camp for boys and girls with special needs.

MCCALL’S COMMUNITIES FOR LIFE ENRICHMENT | 1999 The organization serves as a child care resource and referral agency for children and families in Oklahoma. In addition, training and resources are provided for teachers and day care providers.

REGIONAL FOOD BANK OF OKLAHOMA | 1985 The nonprofit organization helps provide food for individuals and families in need mostly by providing food pantry items in central, east, south and west Oklahoma.

RESEARCH INSTITUTE OF OKLAHOMA | 2004 Located in Oklahoma City, the institute is committed to improving the health and well-being of Oklahomans through research and education.

RELIEF CENTER OF OKLAHOMA | 1979 Located in Oklahoma City, the agency provides food and other basic needs to those in need.

RENOVATION CENTER | 1979 Located in downtown Oklahoma City, the center provides low-income families with supportive services and job training.

SMILE FOR A CHILD FOUNDATION | 1992 The organization is dedicated to holistically serving children with special health care needs and their families.

Special Olympics Oklahoma | 2003 The organization provides year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The organization provides athletics, education and recreation to >20,000 children and adults who participate in >50 community programs and >1,000 Special Olympics events throughout the state.

UPWARD TRANSITIONS | 1983 Located near Edmond, Oklahoma, the organization that was formerly Traveler’s Aid helps homeless and at-risk individuals find permanent, affordable housing and self-sufficiency. In addition, the organization provides job training and placement services and assistance with utilities, rent, food, clothing and medications.

URBAN LEAGUE OF GREATER OKLAHOMA CITY | 1988 The local affiliate of the National Urban League, the Oklahoma City chapter works to provide equal opportunities for minorities by providing employment and training services, entrepreneurship opportunities, educational opportunities, workforce development activities and affordable housing.

WESTVIEW BOYS HOME | 2017 The organization serves as a recovery program for at-risk boys ages 7 through 12 who are experiencing at-risk circumstances.

WILLOW SPRINGS BOYS RANCH | 1999 Located near Chandler, Oklahoma, Willow Springs Boys Ranch is a long-term residential program that provides a structured family environment based on Christian principles for at-risk boys ages 7 through 12.

WINGS SPECIAL NEEDS COMMUNITY | 2019 Wings exists to enhance the lives of adults with developmental disabilities through education, employment, and social inclusion in the greater Oklahoma City area.

WORK ACTIVITY CENTER | 1982 Located in Moore, Oklahoma, the center provides training and employment opportunities for individuals with developmental disabilities.

WORLD NEIGHBORS | 1971 The organization provides a variety of community-based programs to reduce poverty, hunger and disease in Asia, Africa and Latin America through economic and community development efforts.

WOVENLIFE | 1998 Formerly Easter Seals Oklahoma, the organization enhances the quality of life for children and adults with disabilities by providing services including early education, autism program, adult day center, rehabilitation services and supports for medical education.
YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES, INC. – EL RENO | 2016
The organization, located in El Reno, provides Canadian, Blaine, Kingfisher and Oklahoma counties with traditional and specialized assistance to children and youth through counseling, educational assistance, emergency shelter, recreation and socialization.

YWCA OKLAHOMA CITY | 1971
A chapter of the national organization, YWCA Oklahoma City provides domestic violence and sexual assault services, leadership and employment training and advocacy for women and children in Oklahoma County. Services include an emergency shelter, transitional housing, counseling and other support to help women heal from trauma and become self-sufficient.

Youth-Serving Organizations

AMERICAN ENERGY SWIM CLUB | 1988
American Energy Swim Club is an aquatic swim program for youth in central Oklahoma pursuing competitive swimming. The club provides certified coaches, systematic training and competitive opportunities in a family-oriented, team environment.

BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS OF OKLAHOMA | 1983
The fund supports programs and services of the Oklahoma City office of Big Brothers Big Sisters that provides one-on-one mentoring and positive role models for children and youth.

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA – LAST FRONTIER COUNCIL | 1972
Serving central and southwest Oklahoma, the Last Frontier Council promotes the mission of Boy Scouts of America through scouting programs, leadership training and civic service opportunities for youth.

BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF OKLAHOMA COUNTY | 2002
Affiliated with Boys and Girls Clubs of America, the organization provides activities and programs that encourage youth to be productive, responsible and caring citizens at its main location in northeast Oklahoma City and multiple school sites throughout the metropolitan area.

CAMP FIRE USA – HEART OF OKLAHOMA COUNCIL | 1972
The organization provides a variety of outdoor activities, educational programs and camps at a 33-acre location in northeast Oklahoma City.

EL SISTEMA OKLAHOMA | 2021
The organization provides K-12 class music education and critical social support to children in Oklahoma City Public Schools who would otherwise not have the opportunity to experience the transformational power of music in their lives.

FIELDS & FUTURES FOUNDATION | 2015
The foundation offers health, wellness, academic performance and life skills to students in the Oklahoma City Public School District by providing additional opportunities to participate in interscholastic sports.

GIRL SCOUTS – WESTERN OKLAHOMA | 1978
The area council of the national Girl Scouts organization, the group offers activities that build leadership skills, financial literacy, healthy relationships, STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) and outdoor skills for girls ages 5 through 17 in central and western Oklahoma.

JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT OF OKLAHOMA | 1977
Junior Achievement of Oklahoma is affiliated with the national organization that provides volunteer-driven programs for students in kindergarten through 12th grade to foster work-readiness, entrepreneurship and financial literacy skills.

NOBLE COUNTY FAMILY YMCA | 2016
Located in Perry, Oklahoma, the YMCA provides health and wellness programs, child care and a variety of other community programs for residents of Noble County.

OKLAHOMA CITY POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE | 1994
The organization provides a juvenile crime prevention program through physical and educational activities sponsored and led by Oklahoma City police officers.

OKLAHOMA FCA | 1976
The state affiliate of the national Fellowship of Christian Athletes supports activities including youth camps, campuses and women’s ministries and other programs that encourage athletes and coaches to grow in their faith and sport.

OKLAHOMA KIDZ CHARITIES | 2012
Through fundraising activities and events, the organization provides support for nonprofit organizations in Oklahoma that focus on enriching the lives of children in the areas of education and health care.

PLAYING TO THE FUTURE

In the eight years since its establishment, El Sistema Oklahoma has grown rapidly, more than doubling the number of underserved public-school youth they serve each year. Through their free afterschool youth development program, El Sistema Oklahoma harnesses the power of music to engage children in a place where students can discover, learn and grow. Not only do the students get to enjoy making music together, but they also learn values and ethics that help them reach their full potential.

Every day after school, students are bused to El Sistema’s campus where they immerse themselves in rehearsals and music classes, homework, healthy snacks and socialization. As the students prepare for performances throughout the year, El Sistema’s approach builds friendships and mentorships and supports the students and their families as a whole.

DENNY PRICE FAMILY YMCA OF ENID | 2006
Located in Enid, Oklahoma, the YMCA supports health and fitness classes, swimming programs, summer camp, child care and a wide variety of other programs and services for children, adults and families.

SALVATION ARMY BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF OKLAHOMA CITY | 1992
Operated by the Central Oklahoma Area Command of the Salvation Army, the program promotes leadership, character and teamwork while providing a safe haven for at-risk children in south Oklahoma City.

WHIZ KIDS – CITY CARE | 2007
The fund supports Whiz Kids Oklahoma, a program of the nonprofit organization City Care. Whiz Kids pairs volunteer tutors and mentors with at-risk students in Oklahoma City who read below grade level for weekly tutoring sessions at sites hosted by local churches.

Denny Price Family YMCA of Enid

The YMCA provides services and programs for children, adults and families in central Oklahoma including child care, fitness activities, camping, teen leadership and other community support programs.

YMCA CAMP CLASSEN | 1983
A project of the YMCA, Camp Claussen is an overnight summer camp located in the Arbuckle Mountains of southern Oklahoma where students ages 6-16 can participate in outdoor activities while also gaining skills and confidence to propel them forward in life.

YOUTH LEADERSHIP EXCHANGE | 2000
A program of Leadership Oklahoma City, Youth Leadership Exchange provides education programs designed to teach the importance of community leadership and volunteer service to high school students in Oklahoma City.

YMCA of Greater Oklahoma City | 1971
The YMCA provides services and programs for children, adults and families in central Oklahoma including child care, fitness activities, camping, teen leadership and other community support programs.
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