

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

a grantmaking publication of the Community Foundation of Abilene




FutureFund
BUILDING ABILENE'S FUTURE TOGETHER!



about the FUTURE FUND

Future Fund is a membership-supported endowment fund that makes grants to nonprofit organizations serving local children and youth.

Membership dues are pooled into the endowment, and the fund's revenue is used each year to make grants to nonprofits serving local children and youth. ***Future Fund members make this happen!***

As a member, you have the opportunity to serve on the Future Fund grant committee to determine which organizations will receive funding.

Members receive invitations to attend social events where members get together and celebrate the impact made to improve lives of children and youth.

MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

- \$250 annual** One-year membership for an individual or couple
- \$500 impact-maker** One-year membership, funds are split between grantmaking and endowment.
- \$2,500 lifetime** A Future Fund membership for a lifetime! Can be paid out over a two-year period.

To become a member for the first time or renew an existing or lapsed membership, contact our donor relations team.

The Giving Guide COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

The Foundation's grant catalog, *Community Connections*, gives everyone an opportunity to support current charitable needs in our community!

The CFA has multiple grant cycles each year available for eligible nonprofits based on location and program focus.

This giving guide is a summary of all proposals we received from eligible nonprofit organizations in our community to the updated 2025 Future Fund grant cycle.

This guide also serves as a resource to inform our community about local needs.

New with this grant cycle, the Future Fund grant committee will consider each request to receive awards up to \$2,500.

In addition, donors can contribute at any level, allowing them to support these organizations in the way that best fits their giving priorities.

For example, fundholders can recommend a grant be made from their fund to a charitable organization of their choosing, and the CFA staff takes care of the rest.

If you are a fundholder and need a refresher on accessing your fund, we can help. Need information about what it means to start a fund at the Foundation? Let's visit! Contact our donor relations team for next steps.

Thank you for your continued commitment to building a thriving community!



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ABILENE ARTS ALLIANCE

2026 Children's Art & Literacy Festival

Arts & Culture



ABILENE BIG COUNTRY HUNGER COALITION

Free meals program during school breaks

Health & Human Services



ABILENE COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Champions for Children conference

Health & Human Services



ABILENE COMMUNITY THEATER

Children's Christmas theater experience

Arts & Culture



ABILENE HOME AWAY FROM HOME

Support for first-term Dyess airmen

Health & Human Services



ABILENE I.S.D.

Access to Healthy Homes program

Health & Human Services



ABILENE PERFORMING ARTS COMPANY

Program scholarships

Arts & Culture



ABILENE PHILHARMONIC ASSOCIATION

Instrument petting zoo at CALF and free concert tickets

Arts & Culture



ABILENE PRESERVATION LEAGUE

2026 Abilene Railroad Festival student activities

Arts & Culture



ALLIANCE FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN

A-Care after-school program
enrichment items

Education



BCFS ABILENE TRANSITION CENTER

Abilene HOPES family resource
center

Health & Human Services



BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS LONE STAR

One-to-one mentoring programs

Education



BIG COUNTRY CASA

Technology updates for child
advocate support

Health & Human Services



BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF ABILENE

Smart boards for homework rooms

Education



CAMP ABLE

Therapeutic riding program

Health & Human Services



CENTER FOR CONTEMPORARY ARTS

Support for summer art camps

Arts & Culture



CHILD EVANGELISM FELLOWSHIP-BIG COUNTRY

Evangelism programs through
Abilene ISD

Education



CHILDREN'S PERFORMING ART SERIES

Educational performance for 2nd
grade students

Education



CHORUS ABILENE, INC.

Children and youth scholarships

Arts & Culture



CISCO COLLEGE-ABILENE

Hands-on science exploration for homeschool students

Education



DAY 1 BAGS

Care bags for high school seniors in foster care

Health & Human Services



FOR THE CHILDREN ABILENE

Everybody's birthday party at summer camp for foster children

Health & Human Services



GREATER THAN THREE OUTREACH

Adaptive youth hybrid sports

Health & Human Services



HARDIN-SIMMONS UNIVERSITY

Summer speech camp for youth with disabilities

Health & Human Services



HARMONY FAMILY SERVICES

Children's emergency shelter van

Health & Human Services



HENDRICK HOME FOR CHILDREN

Family care program support

Health & Human Services



HENDRICK MEDICAL CARE FOUNDATION

Healthcare academy

Health & Human Services



INTERNATIONAL RESCUE COMMITTEE

Refugee youth mentorship program

Health & Human Services



JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT OF ABILENE

Work readiness and career success classes

Education



LEAP!

Educational resource scholarships

Education



MENTORS CARE

Wylie High School mentorship program

Education



NCCIL

NCCIL school tours

Arts & Culture



NEW HORIZONS RANCH & CENTER INC.

Care for foster children at the Audrey Grace House

Health & Human Services



NOAH PROJECT

Spring and summer youth programs

Health & Human Services



PATHWAYS YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES INC.

Abilene foster family support

Health & Human Services



PLAY4MORE FOUNDATION

Soccer and mentoring program for refugee students

Education



REGION XIV EDUCATION SERVICE CENTER

Annual Autism Extravaganza
resource fair event

Education



**Special
Olympics**
Texas

SPECIAL OLYMPICS TEXAS, INC.

Taylor County youth programs

Health & Human Services



TEXAS FAMILY INSTITUTE

Therapy support for children and
families

Health & Human Services



TEXAS TRAILS COUNCIL BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Scoutreach initiative for underserved
youth

Education



THE **GRACE**

THE GRACE MUSUEM

Summer arts outreach

Arts & Culture



THE **MENTORING**
ALLIANCE

THE MENTORING ALLIANCE

After-school care and summer camps

Education

**Old Jail
Art Center**

THE OLD JAIL ART CENTER

Art-to-Go program

Arts & Culture

**WEST
TEXAS
TRIBUNE**

WEST TEXAS TRIBUNE

Young Scholars writing program

Education

Young
Audience
Arts for
Learning

YOUNG AUDIENCES OF ABILENE

Educational performance for
2nd grade students

Arts & Culture

**youth
voice** inc.

YOUTH VOICE

Drop-in center for at-risk youth

Health & Human Services

Ready to give? HERE'S HOW:

Thank you for supporting the Future Fund! To make a gift to any of the proposals in this grant catalog, please list your selections in the worksheet below. You can submit your responses by:

- mail** Complete the form below and return this page to: PO Box 1001, Abilene, TX 79604.
- email** List your nonprofit selections and award amounts in an email to: mcollier@cfabilene.org.
- phone** We're here to help. Call 325-676-3883.

Contributions can be made via check; include "Future Fund Grants" in the memo. Please make checks payable to: Community Foundation of Abilene.

★ **Are you a CFA fundholder?** Complete the last section on this worksheet to recommend grants from a donor-advised fund.

2025-26
Deadline: Friday, Dec. 12

NONPROFIT	AMOUNT

Please attach a list if you need more space.

TOTAL

Name

First and last name

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Address

Enter your mailing address

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For fundholders only

Fund information

List fund name if you are a fund holder recommending grants from your fund.

FUND NAME

Anonymity

Circle "Yes" if you wish to remain anonymous.

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Signature

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