City Education Partners Supports Top Schools & Educators in Urban Core

With a goal of 80 percent of high school graduates going to college by 2020, while facing a yearly teacher turnover between 400 to 600 teachers, San Antonio Independent School District (SAISD) has lofty goals. To be a great city, we need to be a smart one, and the time for San Antonio’s rapid education transformation has never been better.

Building on the momentum set in motion by SAISD Superintendent Pedro Martinez and the success of high performing charter schools, local philanthropists created City Education Partners (CEP) as a supporting organization of the San Antonio Area Foundation. CEP provides grants to public school operators and teacher preparation pathways to develop partnerships that will create quality schools and attract top talent.

Officially launched one year ago, CEP is supporting the innovative work between Trinity University and SAISD that has led to creating the Advanced Learning Academy. Opening this August, the new downtown school will recreate the Fox Tech and Austin Academy campuses as a unified pre-kindergarten through twelfth grade learning laboratory for students and aspiring educators. An open-enrollment, non-selective SAISD school of choice, the Advanced Learning Academy is oversubscribed for the first year, and will ultimately serve 1,200 students in the next four years.

Envisioned by Trinity and SAISD, this is a nationally unique model promising downtown students and families a highly successful public school, while offering aspiring teachers a Masters degree with a year-long, job-embedded residency program onsite. Between 15 to 20 new teachers and leaders will graduate from the program each year and serve in the district for another three to four years thanks to forgivable loan scholarships.

CEP continues to explore new ways to partner with local districts, charters and national education leaders to support the creation of high quality schools and increase innovative opportunities for educators. CEP is led by Joel Harris, who has been a public school teacher, a founding school leader and a national consultant for public, state and district education reform initiatives. To learn more, visit their website at www.cityeducationpartners.org.
Dear Friends,

In the wake of recent tragedies and acts of senseless violence in our nation, philanthropy must take a lead in bringing people together and investing in solutions that move our communities forward. We must bridge differences of opinion and ideology. We must listen to, learn from, and respect one another, and we must be committed to advancing the common good. We must call upon each other to advance a civil conversation focused on what we have in common. The Area Foundation remains steadfastly committed to strengthening our local community.

With the support of the John L. Santikos Charitable Foundation, a fund of the San Antonio Area Foundation, we have issued the “I Dare To Listen” challenge with Texas Public Radio. The campaign is seeking members of our community to “join the movement” by going online at [IDareToListen.org](http://IDareToListen.org) to accept the “Dare to Listen” challenge. This is a personal and public challenge to take the pledge and actively listen to others whose opinions and viewpoints may be different.

We must never be deterred from lifting up solutions and amplifying the need for a more compassionate and civil society.

I must refer again to our video we debuted at our Annual Meeting earlier this year. We asked, “How are you changing your community for the better?” We face challenges, but as a family, we are committed to working together to solve problems. If San Antonio is your home, if you love this place, what are you doing to make it better? What legacy will you leave? You are an important part of moving our community and our nation forward in the right direction. It starts with you. It starts with me. And, most importantly, it starts with us coming together.

Thank you for your continued trust in us and your valued partnership.

With gratitude,

Dennis E. Noll
President & CEO

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We exist to make San Antonio a better place to live.

Our Mission
...helping donors achieve their charitable goals for the greater benefit of the community

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Changing Kids’ Lives Through Music

In 2015, the Area Foundation distributed $32 million in grants to nonprofits.

Youth Orchestras of San Antonio (YOSA) provides transformational experiences for young musicians.

Our two-week Summer Symphony Camp gave nearly 300 young musicians the chance to learn about their instruments, music theory, composition and teamwork. With the support of the Area Foundation, our 30th Annual Camp featured guest artist Tracy Silverman and the Apollo Chamber Players. Thank you for your generous support that changes kids’ lives through music!”

Brandon Henson
Executive Director, YOSA

For a list of our grantees, visit saafdn.org/communitygrants.

Social Venture Partners Engages Donors with Nonprofits

Social Venture Partners is thrilled to launch the 40th chapter in San Antonio as a fund of the San Antonio Area Foundation. We bring social philanthropists together to partner with innovative nonprofits, helping solve our society’s biggest problems. Partnering with the Area Foundation brings financial transparency and a simple giving tool for our donors.”

Harriet Marmon Helmle, Executive Director
Social Venture Partners, San Antonio Chapter

We welcome these new funds to our family!

(January 1 - June 30, 2016)

Jonathan “JONBOI712” Partida Scholarship Acorn Fund
Rise Recovery Agency Investment Fund
Social Venture Partners San Antonio Charitable Fund
The Goldsbury Fund
Tom White Charitable Fund
The Gift of Scholarships Opens Doors for Students

Scholarship Spotlight: Sarah Bi, University of Texas at Austin

Sarah Bi
Recipient of the:
Rapier Educational Foundation Scholarship
Emo Jean Cottrell Scholarship

University of Texas at Austin
Course of study: Biomedical Engineering
Winston Churchill High School

Dear Scholarship Donor,

thank you for your generosity and your help in furthering my educational goals at The University of Texas at Austin. I hope to one day give back to the community as a biomedical engineer.

-Sarah Bi

Since we awarded our first scholarship in 1969, the Area Foundation has given out $20 million in scholarships, including 580 scholarships to 526 students totaling $2.8 million in 2016.

Ensuring College Students Thrive is Goal of New Program

Pilot program supports students in college once they receive scholarships.

Nearly 300 students from the Rapier Educational Foundation Scholarship are participating in a College Success pilot program launched this year by the San Antonio Area Foundation. As our successful scholarship program grows, we are seeking innovative ways to support student scholarship recipients beyond financial assistance.

We believe that scholarship fund donors invest in our students with the intention for their students to graduate college and succeed in life. Finances are just one barrier that students must overcome to succeed during college and to graduate. The College Success pilot program will allow us to test evidence-based supports that enhance our current services to students throughout their college journey.

This support of our students is a further extension of our commitment to our donors’ charitable wishes and goals.
Six Guidelines for Recommending a Grant from Your Donor Advised Fund

Quick tips for our Donor Advised Fundholders

- Grantees must be a nonprofit with an approved 501(c)(3) status.

- Focus area is San Antonio; however, grants can be awarded anywhere across the U.S. For grants outside the U.S., please contact us.

- Grants can be for general operating support, a specific purpose, or program; or to support a capital campaign. A grant cannot be used for memberships, pledges or fundraising event tickets.

- Grant amounts must be a minimum of $250.

- Grants may be distributed in multiple installments.

Visit give.saafdn.org to login to your fund

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Create income for you and your loved ones through giving.

GIFT & SALE

Sell your asset tax free, receive cash and make a charitable gift.
Renaissance with the Stars Set to Dazzle

San Antonio Area African American Community Fund invites you to attend.

The San Antonio Area African American Community Fund presents Renaissance with the Stars, “A Red Carpet Affair” on September 10 at the Tobin Center. Five community leaders have been paired with professional dancers to showcase their moves in front of a live audience and panel of judges. Our celebrity dancers are asking for your votes by donating to the Fund before, during and after the event for their chance to win the dance competition.

Meet Our Celebrity Dancers, and Vote Today!

Jeffrey C. Arndt  Maggie Seay  Paula Tucker  Monique Bell Vernon  Alan E. Warrick II

To vote for your dancer, purchase your tickets or sponsorship, visit saafdn.org/RWTs2016

Area Foundation Happenings

Workplace Mentoring Award

For three years, Area Foundation staff have served as mentors to Hawthorne Academy students through the Big Brothers Big Sisters Workplace Mentoring Program. These dedicated volunteers meet once per month at the school and for other one-on-one times together.

Juneteenth Celebration

The Rising Professionals of the San Antonio Area African American Community Fund came together to celebrate Juneteenth at ZaZa Gardens on June 17 with a Casino Night fundraiser to benefit local nonprofits. Thank you to our Ace Title Sponsor, BB&T Bank, for making this memorable evening a success!

Scholarship Reception

The 2016 scholarship reception honored our student scholarship recipients and the generous donors who make everything possible. Recipient Brittany Parker meets her donor, Mary Ann Owens, during the reception held July 16 at UTSA’s downtown campus.
Please join us for the fifth annual Board Day on September 22. This day-long session for nonprofit board members will explore what great governance can accomplish for your nonprofit organization. As a board member, are you ready to be more engaged as a true partner in leadership?

The $75 early bird special ends on September 1, so register online today!

sAAFdn.org/BoardDay

Investments Overview Sessions

Please mark your calendar to attend our monthly and/or quarterly investment sessions. As a valued fundholder, we offer you many times throughout the year to learn about our investment and ask questions. We offer a casual coffee and conversation each month and a quarterly overview.

All sessions take place at 8:30 a.m. at the San Antonio Area Foundation office.

August 4  Quarterly Investment Overview
September 1  Monthly Investment Coffee & Conversation
October 26  Quarterly Investment Overview
November TBD  Monthly Investment Coffee & Conversation
December 14  Monthly Investment Coffee & Conversation
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  9:00 a.m. - Noon |
| 21 | Estate & Charitable Gift Planning Institute  
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  9:00 a.m. - Noon |

Dates and times subject to change. Visit saafdn.org/calendar for more details and to register.

We're social! Connect with us today.