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**2020  
ANNUAL  
REPORT**

**WE ARE  
CHANGING  
LIVES**

**Our Mission Statement**

Dedicated to the education and well-being of low-income children in our community

**Our Vision Statement**

Closing the gap between opportunity and achievement for children in our community.

# CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY STOREHOUSE

dba **COMMUNITY STOREHOUSE**



## Community Storehouse

is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization with a 38-year history of providing assistance to children experiencing a sudden crisis.



## Demographics

Community Storehouse serves the children of the Keller, Northwest & Carroll Independent School Districts. Our service area covers over 309 square miles including portions of three counties and twenty-three cities.



We are the only children's charity in Northeast Tarrant County focused on keeping children in the classroom.

# OUR BACKGROUND 1982

## 38

**Years of serving low-income children living in KISD, NISD and CISD**

Community Storehouse was established in 1982 by June Samsill and Dorothy Plaster along with several pastors from local churches. Our first facility was the old city water building. The Storehouse began by providing food and clothing relief to needy families in Keller, Texas. At the time, the Storehouse services 50 to 60 families a month and was 100% volunteer operated.



## 111,848

**Services provided in 2020**

Barbara Board has been with Community Storehouse for **21** years and was the first paid staff member. Barbara has dramatically expanded the impact of the organization by overseeing the growth from the original Lending Library Program to over **15** educational and wellness programs serving our surrounding community.

Today our staff has grown to **39** members and our Katy Road facility houses our Nutritional Center, Achievement Center, Donation Center and administrative offices. Our resale store, Upscale Resale, is set to open its second location in Fort Worth in 2021.

Community Storehouse is an emergency relief 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to the education and well-being of low-income children in our community. In summarizing our community impact, we are currently providing over **15,000** low-income children with educational and nutritional programs, we also serve over **500** families each month for hunger prevention, emergency relief services and crisis support services. Community Storehouse rebuilds lives for children in crisis while diligently building character and leadership skills in youth volunteers; thereby serving all the children in the area.

# EXPANSION

## Achievement Center & Educational Programs

Our clients face daily economic challenges including a digital divide and scarce resources that limit access to economic and educational opportunities.

The challenges brought on by Covid-19, require a new educational environment, so we opened our new Achievement Center.

**Phase I is now complete, providing students with a colorful learning environment containing flexible-seating ideal for current social distancing and future collaborative learning.** Currently we hold our Tutoring Program in the Achievement Center where students in grades 1st -5th, are paired with a tutor and provided with 1:1 tutoring in reading, ELA and math for one hour twice a week. We have also started our Little Learners program back, twice a week.

**Phase II of the Achievement Center: In 2020-2021, we are growing our existing educational opportunities and also adding some new ones!**

- The Community Tech Center will be completed by early Summer 2021.
- Kids2Careers is a new program that will pilot in Spring 2021. High School students will participate in workshops where they will explore their interests, culminating in a job shadowing experience.
- We will continue to provide quality educational programs (Camp Read S'more and Summer Fun Factory) during school breaks.

**Achievement Center Phase III: We will create a space where STEM innovations can happen.** These experiences are vital in cultivating interest in STEM as well as promoting critical thinking, problem solving and teambuilding. Development plans include an Edison Table, 3D printer and hand tools.



*"I have witnessed the benefits students receive through the many programs provided by the Community Storehouse. Through assistance with food, clothing, school supplies, and additional services, Community Storehouse is a lifeline to families in the midst of a crisis. It is a safe place to turn to for help, and our school counselors frequently refer families to Community Storehouse. They provide families assistance and coaching, all while helping to ensure that children remain in school.*

*Addressing the needs of the whole child, the Community Storehouse stocks Dignity Closet at our schools with the greatest need, providing students access to soap, toothbrushes, deodorant, laundry soap, and many other hygiene items that most of us take for granted.*

*We are blessed to have Community Storehouse to help fulfill the needs of children and our community."*

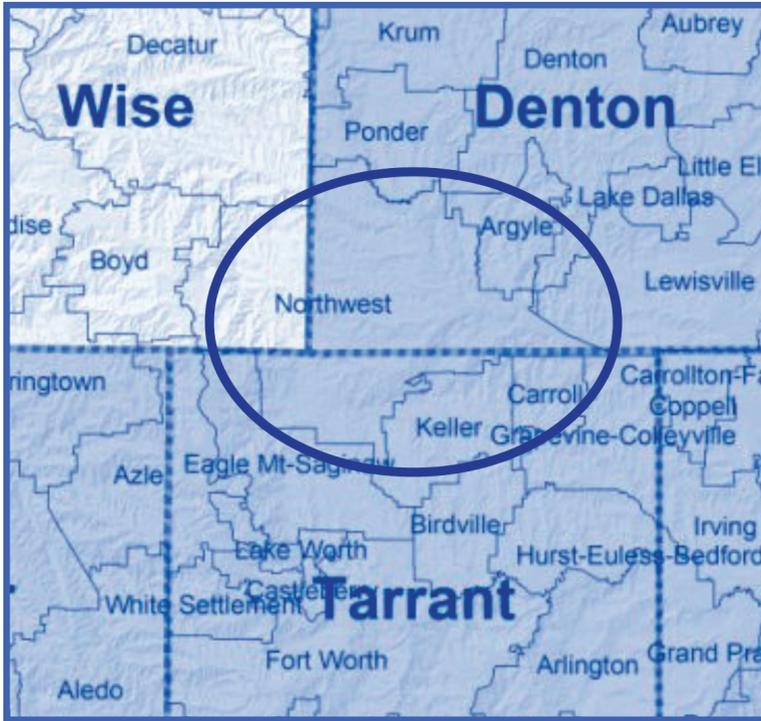
*- Dr. Ryder Warren, Ed.D  
Superintendent of Schools,  
Northwest ISD*





*“Thank you so much to CS for helping us through these tough times! I was recently furloughed from my job and the help you have provided is so appreciated.”*

*- Client*



# 309 SQ. MILES

**In 2020 Community Storehouse cared for over 15,000 qualified low-income children** within a **309 square mile service area**, impacting **23 communities in Northeast Tarrant County and surrounding area**. The scope of territory, coupled with an increasing number of children, requires creative and resourceful fund development.



*“As the Fort Worth City Council Member representative of 100,000 residents, from East to North Fort Worth, our goal is to bring forth the voice of all our community residents and seek resources to issues they may face. More than 20% of our ISD students are under government assistance and struggling with hunger or basic needs that challenge their focus while in school. The many programs offered thru the Community Storehouse helps close the gap our students face each day; especially during the summer when the challenge is at its greatest.*

*In light of COVID 19, we are seeing an even greater need for Community Storehouse as a resource and assistance with the programs offered such as Little Learners, Summer Book Club, Summer Food Support, and Weekend Snack Packs. These variety of programs provides continuous support to many children throughout our city and district. We are appreciative of all their work, providing positive impacts to those in need which has increased even more due to COVID 19.*

*On behalf of the City of Fort Worth, as Council Member and District 4 representative, I give my full support to the Community Storehouse for their dedication and service to our community students and families.”*

*- Cary Moon*

*Fort Worth City*

*Council Member, District 4*



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# SERVICE AREA



# 2020 GOALS

**Community Storehouse provided effective services to children in crisis due to:**

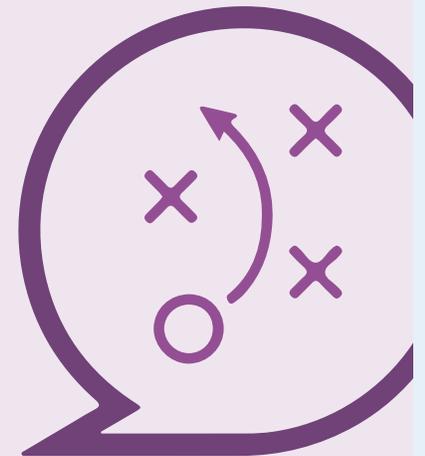
- COVID 19
- Abandonment
- Death
- Short-term physical disability
- Terminal illness of parent or child
- Divorce



Christian Community Storehouse positively changes educational outcomes for children in crisis. Our programs and services are designed to give lasting impact.

## ACTION PLAN

**For Community Storehouse, the new year had great aspirations to grow, serve more, and make a bigger impact. The Covid-19 pandemic took our goals well beyond our imagination. Growing, serving and making an impact remained constant!**



- **Little Learners (January 2020-March 2020 and October 2020 - December 2020):** 28 classes, 52 books distributed, 32 snack packs given, 23 packages of diapers and wipes, 22 children's masks and 60 PPE packs.
- **After-School Reading Program (January 6, 2020 - March 12, 2020)** *students did not return to school after Spring Break* : 582 books distributed, 560 snack packs given, 10 hours of reading practice outside of the school day.
- **Monthly Family Fun Factory, Summer Enrichment and Distance Learning Opportunities:** this program was switched to remote learning due to COVID-19: 42 children served, 146 activity packs distributed, 8 Story Time Live read loud sessions and 14 "How-To" STEM and Art Activity packs and videos. These activity packs contained grade level review workbooks, hands on STEM activities, hands on art activities including school and art supplies.

Due to the increase of families needing support and the changing educational requirements of students, Community Storehouse reshaped how we serve the needs of low-income children and their families to bridge the gap and provide relevant services.



# PROGRAMS

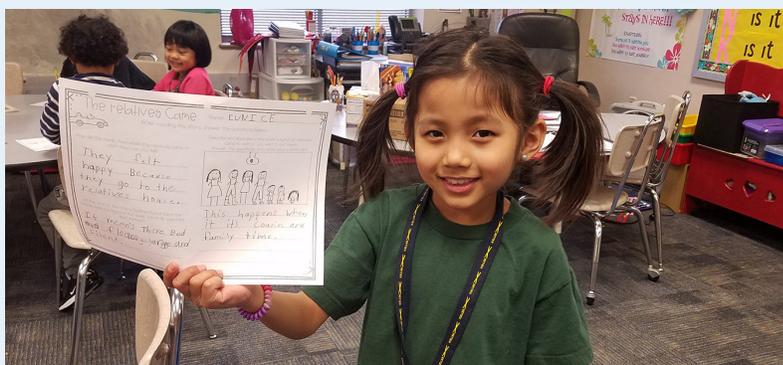


*"It is truly a privilege to express my support for the Community Storehouse. The Community Storehouse is not only an emergency relief resource for children within Keller ISD, but it's also an organization committed to educational excellence for all students. In 2020, we have seen a growth in the number of individuals they are serving by over 300%. Their programs are created to give lasting impact rather than sustaining generational poverty. Administrators, counselors and staff know that the Community Storehouse is committed to stabilizing the children; keeping them safe, healthy and in school. Referrals from nurses and counselors are proof that the Community Storehouse is an essential "first responder" to concerns that interfere with a child's progress in school".*

*- Dr. Rick Westfall, Ed.D,  
Superintendent of Schools, Keller ISD*

## 71 KIDS Benefitted from Camp Read S'More

Plus 32 backpacks with school supplies provided, 184 individual snack packs distributed, 92 lunches and 272 snack packs sent home with each child.



### Camp Read S'More offers enrichment in both ELA and STEM in a camp format

The Achievement Center is transformed into "Camp Read S'More". Students are provided activities that build academic skills and promote positive social and emotional growth. There are many opportunities to develop traditional camping skills and camp crafts that are just plain fun. In this way we are providing experiences that build the vocabulary and comprehension levels in children who may never have the opportunity to attend summer camp. Camp Read S'More is available to students, grades 1-3, at no cost. Additionally, snacks, lunch and a free take home book are provided daily.



### Facebook Story Time (previously know as After School Reading Program)

With the absence of our After School Reading Program, we had to get a bit creative with our reading program so Facebook Story Time was created! We had leaders in our community and Community Storehouse staff read books to our students online through Facebook Live a couple of times each week keeping the children engaged with their reading as well as seeing friendly faces from time to time.

## Our Little Learners Program started back in October 2020

Little Learners provides preschool readiness for low-income children in our service area. Currently Little Learners takes place once a week however, we are increasing this program to two days a week in January 2021. The program starts with a short alphabet lesson, number memorization, identifying colors, days of the week and month, a story, craft time and ends with children picking out books to take home (**52 books distributed**) to stay on top of their learning. Family members engaged with their children during this time promoting a healthy learning atmosphere.



Over **2,391** books were distributed

Community Storehouse Summer Book Club also looked very different this year. In order to keep our children engaged in their reading, any child in a home who received nutritional support from our Nutrition Center, was given a book to help build their home libraries.

## Virtual Summer Fun Factory

Every Monday families picked up all the supplies needed for the week, along with snack pack items and hygiene products. They were then encouraged to watch videos prepared by our volunteers explaining each lesson. Prizes and awards were given out weekly encouraging at home learning.



# \$1,000

## Scholarship Winner

The Community Storehouse Youth Leadership Award identifies and celebrates young people who are working to make a difference in our community.

This program is open to all youth ages 15 to 18.

This award and a \$1,000 scholarship are presented to the winner(s) at the annual Community Storehouse Concert and Dinner.

*Pictured at right: Connor Teall, Keller High School. Connor was a member of the Community Storehouse Junior Board for 3 years as well as a volunteer for Community Storehouse in many events. He was also a member of Keller High School Green Cord for 4 years as well as National Honor Society for 2 years.*



# JUNIOR BOARD

**Community Storehouse is leading the way in Youth Leadership with members of our Junior Board**

Junior Board members learn what it means to serve on a Board of Directors, to give back to their community, establish programs and services that meet the needs of low-income families, volunteer their time and efforts for the good of others. As for everyone, 2020 was a very unusual year however, Junior Board members

rose to the challenge! This group of determined youth did not let the obstacles of 2020 stand in the way of volunteering for the community. Members volunteered with the drive-thru Summer Enrichment Program by making backpacks full of STEM activities, reading assistance activities, along with fun and creative videos of instruction that the children could follow along with. Parents were able to pick up all of the supplies for their children to participate in the activities from home. They were also available to hand out prizes to the children who completed all of the work and congratulate them. As the world opened back up, Junior Board members volunteered with the Tutoring Program on site in our new Achievement Center as well as taking it upon themselves to make videos and graphics to go out to the community to recruit volunteers for this new program. Please submit your application on the website today to get involved!

“God bless you guys. Thank you so much for the weekly food. This is a hard time and your people work so hard. Thank you very much!”

- Angela

# 21,895

## Boxes of food given in 2020

The Community Storehouse Summer Lunch Program provides free lunches to children up to age 18 during the summer months. The Summer Food Box Program provides kid friendly food items each month to children who live too far to walk to the Summer Lunch Program.



# 55,388

## Individual Snack Packs Provided in 2020

Community Storehouse provides Weekend Snack Packs to participating Title 1 schools in KISD, NISD and CISD. The school staff (counselor, nurse or teacher) identifies student's suffering from weekend food insecurity and the snack packs are given to students each Friday. Snack packs are assembled by volunteers throughout the week and delivered to our Nutritional Center. Snack pack items are: granola bars, cereal bars, cheese or peanut butter crackers, fruit snacks, pretzels, trail mix, dried fruit, beef jerky and other non-perishable, child friendly snacks.

# 3,000+

## Diapers and wipes in 2020

Imagine having to choose between providing food or diapers for the children in your home. This year, Community Storehouse provided over 3,000 diapers and wipes to families in need. In addition to diapers and wipes, Community Storehouse also provided baby formula. These items were especially difficult to find in local stores during the COVID-19 outbreak. Thanks to “baby dignity” specific grants granted to Community Storehouse, we were able to help our families in need.



## THANKSGIVING DISTRIBUTION

In November 2020, Community Storehouse provided families with meals during the Fall/Thanksgiving Break. During the school break thousands of students who depend on the free/reduced meal program at school will face food insecurity. Our Thanksgiving distribution provides supplemental food to families in need.

## CHRISTMAS DISTRIBUTION

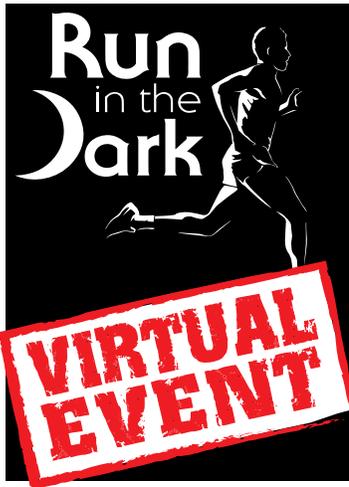
In December 2020, in response to the COVID-19 conditions in our service area, the Community Storehouse Christmas House Event was held as a drive-through, limited contact, outdoor event. In this way, we (1) avoided canceling Christmas House and (2) protected the most socially vulnerable among our clients, staff and supporters. Although things looked extremely different at this year's Christmas House, we were still able to make the holiday a joyous one for our children and families as well as our wonderful Christmas Elves who volunteered their time to help those in their community. We were able to provide gift cards to low-income families so they could give gifts to their children on Christmas Day.





# COMMUNITY STOREHOUSE EVENTS

Provided 111,848 services to over 15,000 children and their families in 2020



## 2020 Run in the Dark was quite different!

This year, the event was completely virtual. No vendor booths, no Kid's Zone, no Party in the Park. But there were plenty of participants supporting low-income children and their families.

## Community Storehouse Concert & Dinner

Our Annual Community Storehouse Concert and Dinner took place in early March, one week before Texas was shut down due to the pandemic. We were grateful to have had such a fun and inspiring night focused on helping low-income children and featuring an amazing private concert with Easton Corbin. Thank you to everyone who made the event successful.



## This Fall, we held the first Community Storehouse Big Screen Movie Event

Families from the community, including clients, joined us at Upscale Resale for a free, drive-in movie experience, featuring the film *Hocus Pocus*. We were very pleased with the turnout of **50 families**, who braved the windy weather to have a little bit of Halloween fun together.



# UPSCALE RESALE



Over **\$800,000**  
in funds for Community Storehouse programs



## We are opening a second location in January 2021

Our new store, Upscale Resale Fort Worth, along with Upscale Resale Keller, receives different items every day for you to fall in love with. The stores have everything you need, from furniture to designer clothing.

Our Resale Department includes our Donation Center and the Donation Pick Up Team.

Many people ask: what and when can a furniture pick-up be scheduled? When you have furniture items, including flat screen televisions, please visit [www.communiystorehouse.org](http://www.communiystorehouse.org) to schedule a pick up. Your support helps a low-income child in our community.



## Upscale Resale Keller

309 N Main St.,  
Keller, TX 76248  
Monday - Saturday: 9am - 7pm  
Sunday: Noon - 5pm  
817-741-4167

## Upscale Resale Fort Worth

6650 N. Beach Street, Suite 120  
Fort Worth, TX 76137  
Monday - Saturday: 9am - 7pm  
Sunday: Noon - 5pm  
817-576-4566

## Donation Center

12001 Katy Rd.,  
Fort Worth, TX 76244  
Monday - Saturday: 9am - 5pm  
Closed Sunday  
817-431-3340

# NUTRITION CENTER

**DONATE**

*“ I am a social worker for Keller ISD and I work directly with our homeless students and Title One campuses. The pandemic has been difficult for our families. Food insecurity is the number one concern that I receive calls about. I honestly do not know what we would do without the support of Community Storehouse. They are always so willing to help our families in crisis and respond quickly to my requests for help. I deliver to many families and they are always surprised at the quality and quantity of food that is provided to them. I've delivered to the homes of young children that get so EXCITED about food! It melts my heart to see what an impact Community Storehouse makes for our kiddos. Thank you Community Storehouse staff that wake up each day to make life changing differences for our grateful Keller families in need”.*

*– Misty Gann, LCSW|Social Worker, Title 1 & McKinney-Vento Services*

**2020 has been an interesting year for our Nutritional Center who saw a 300% increase in people that we serve which resulted in over**

# 5,200

**individuals served.**

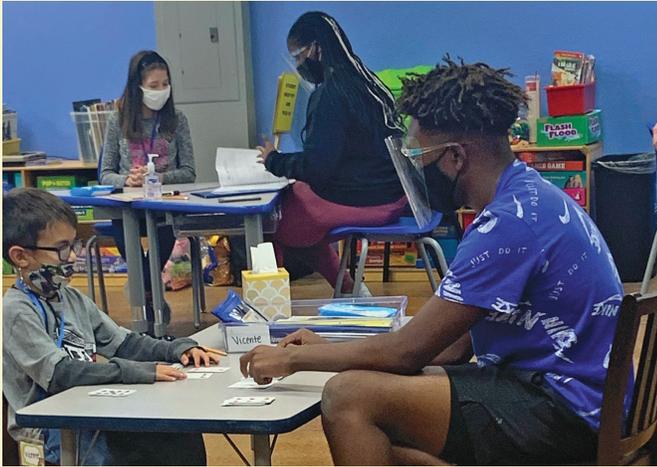
Due to the increase of families in need from COVID, as well as an increase in food donations, we were able to take a step back and look at the way we ran the internal operations of the center. As a result, the whole area was redesigned so that the flow was more efficient and help meet the demand.



## 2021 WISH LIST

**paper products • large trash bags • toiletry products • feminine products • diapers/wipes  
canned soups • canned vegetables • mac and cheese • cereal**

# VOLUNTEER CENTER



**2,805** Volunteers

**13,090** Hours

**And 718 of these volunteers are youth serving their community**

Thankfully, in recent months, the amount of volunteers has started to increase with social distancing and safety precautions in place. We could not be happier to have our volunteers back in the building; our building is NOT the same without them! Our family of volunteers provide more than just hours of service to our children and families in need. They provide compassion, dedication and pure joy to everyone around them. Whether you have an hour or a day, please consider investing in the future of the children in our community.



## Ladies of Hope

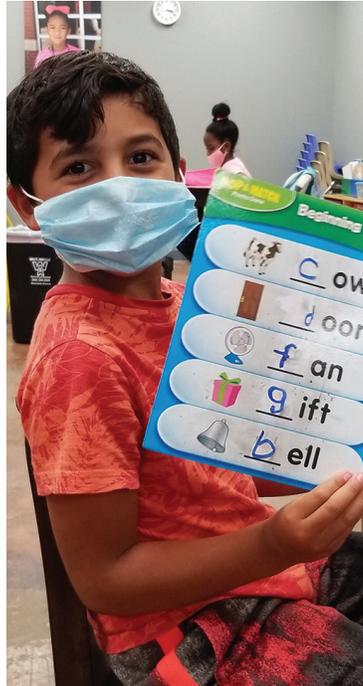
Ladies of Hope was created by a wonderful group of our leading ladies here at Community Storehouse. Although the ladies were only able to meet a couple of times this year, they still got to enjoy fellowship together while supporting programs like Thanksgiving and Christmas distribution, preparing weekend snack packs for our children in need as well as volunteering at The Community Storehouse Concert & Dinner.





# 2020 UNAUDITED PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT

Income	
Unassigned Donations:	\$940,763.84
Assigned Donations:	\$38,562.59
Special Events:	\$293,957.77
Grants:	\$244,593.46
Resale Stores:	\$784,346.21
<b>Total Income:</b>	<b>\$2,302,223.87</b>



Expenses	
Central Overhead:	\$696,190.06
Fundraising:	\$362,578.44
Resale Stores:	\$550,900.31
Client Outlay - Cash:	\$125,750.95
<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>\$1,741,603.41</b>
<b>Balance:</b>	<b>\$560,620.46</b>



# 2021 OPERATING BUDGET

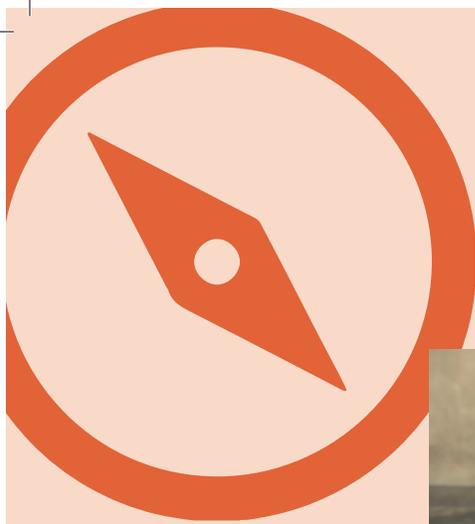


<b>Income</b>	
Unassigned Donations:	\$1,990,000
Assigned Donations:	\$300,000
Special Events:	\$250,000
Resale Stores:	\$1,080,700
<b>Total Income:</b>	<b>\$3,620,700</b>



<b>Expenses</b>	
Outlay to Clients:	\$122,000
Fundraising:	\$300,000
Resale Stores:	\$894,700
Administration:	\$804,000
<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>\$3,620,700</b>





# 2021 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## Officers ▶



**John Milligan**  
Chairman  
Chief Operating Officer  
Benefit Architects



**Cara Gentry**  
Vice Chair  
Sr. Implementation Project  
Manager, OptumRx



**David Evangelista**  
Development Chair  
Senior Vice President,  
McKesson Financial Center



**Barbara Board**  
Chief Executive Officer

## Community Storehouse Members ▼



**Mike Ball**  
Sales Manager, Seattle  
Genetics



**Sherese Calvert**  
Senior Team Manager,  
Charles Schwab



**Jenny S. Earls**  
Senior Team Manager,  
Charles Schwab



**Bradley Ender**  
Vice President  
J.P. Morgan Chase Bank



**Ashley Fletcher**  
3rd Year Law Student



**Joshua Griffith**  
Business Manager,  
Hillwood Properties



**Ronnie Morgan**  
Morgan Electric



**Vandolyn L. Roszell**  
CPA



**Bradley J. Schone**  
CFO, EECU



**Lisa Schwab**  
VP Global Customer  
Support, Sabre



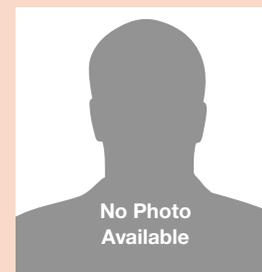
**Marcie Silva**  
Bank Branch Manager,  
Woodforest Bank



**Mark Sepulvador**  
IT Executive – Semi Retired



**Regina Minish**  
Director of Marketing,  
BNSF Railroad



**Tim Galligan**  
Finance Chair  
Senior Pastor, Trinity  
Presbyterian Church  
Southlake

# AWARDS & ACCOLADES



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FOUNDATION of TEXAS**

**\$28,686!!**  
for supporting



## North Texas Giving Day

Communities Foundation of Texas' North Texas Giving Day is an 18-hour online giving event designed to empower every person to give back to their community by supporting local nonprofits and causes they care about in one easy-to-use platform. The event helps build awareness and support for nonprofits like nothing else.

## #TEXpress Gives Back

Community Storehouse finished with the most amount of votes and was the winner of the \$7,500 grand prize!



## Metroport Chamber Charity of the Year, 2019 & 2020



## Barbara Board Awarded Lockheed Martin Hometown Hero

Hometown Heroes is sponsored by Lockheed Martin, which is providing \$1,000 each week over 28 weeks to those selected by the Star-Telegram.





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## HOW YOU CAN HELP

**Please consider making a financial donation this season to ensure that we are able to continue to support low-income children and their families.**

Community Storehouse is able to help low-income families because of the generous support we have from donors, our dedicated staff, and many volunteers. You can make a difference in the life of a low-income child, by helping provide the resources these children need to be successful in the classroom, and to make sure they are not worried about their next meal.

### Monthly Gift

The need in our community continues to grow and a reoccurring gift allows us to meet the demand for our services. You can sign up to give a monthly donation to the Community Storehouse.

[www.communitystorehouse.org/donate-funds](http://www.communitystorehouse.org/donate-funds)

**\$25** = Weekend Snack Packs for 2 Children

**\$50** = New Books for 4 children

**\$75** = 4 Children to Attend Little Learners

**\$100** = 3 sessions of our Tutoring Program for a Student

