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Texas Pride Impact Funds Awards 37 Grants Throughout Texas

LGTBQ+ Community Foundation's Grantmaking Hits \$1,000,000 Milestone to Community Organizations Across the State

DALLAS –Texas Pride Impact Funds (TPIF, the Foundation) is proud to announce its selection of 37 recipients for its 2022 Community Grant program.

On Tuesday, July 26, the TPIF Board of Directors approved the recommendations of the Foundation's Grant Action Group, culminating the evaluation process which began June 20. The Grant Program continues its mission of recognizing organizations and projects that address the current and direct needs of the LGBTQ+ communities of Texas while also seeking to correct the systemic injustices that unfairly burden people living within these identities and at their intersections.

This year's grant process benefitted from the deployment of a cloud-based grants management software platform configured specifically to replicate TPIF's previous highly manual process and at the same time incorporating grant-making principles referred to today in philanthropy as Trust Based Grantmaking. Trust Based Grantmaking principles include transparency; simplified and streamlined paperwork for applicants; and funders (TPIF) assuming responsibility to get to know the issues and organizations in their region; in TPIF's case, the distinct regions of Texas.

TPIF's Grant Action Group, responsible for the foundation's grantmaking processes, invited community members from all walks of life and regions of the state to participate in the selection process by reviewing the narrative section of this year's grant applications which was only four questions. Two other factors were considered to arrive at the 37 awards– (1) alignment with TPIF's funding priorities (our [Focus Communities and Populations](#)) and (2) factors causing an organization to be overlooked by traditional funding sources, either due to geographic regions and or the narrowly focused, but vital, services it offers.

“Surpassing the \$1,000,000 milestone in less than four years from our first grant awards in November of 2018 proves that Texas Pride Impact Funds' mission resounds with a generous community of donors and funders - from across Texas and the nation - who believe in the strategic importance of an LGBTQ+ community foundation for Texas. Equally exciting - we are still in year one of the Foundation's first five-year plan that has all efforts aligned to reach \$1,000,000 per year in grantmaking by 2026,” said Ron Guillard, TPIF executive director. “The impact of our grant program on small and mid-size organizations across the state serving historically under-resourced communities has been demonstrated over and over and we look forward to rolling out more of those stories going forward.”

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Notable highlights of TPIF's 2022 Community Grant program, include:

- 75 grant applications received, a 34% increase over 2021.
- 37 grants awarded, a 76% increase over 2021.
- \$175,000 total amount of grants awarded, a 46% increase over 2021.
- First time awards to organizations in Abilene, Odessa, College Station, Amarillo, Taylor, and Wichita Falls.

TPIF's funding is provided by individual and family donors, corporate sponsorships, and institutional and corporate funders. It is notable that of all monies received to date by TPIF (includes donations, grants, and pledges), one-third has come from sources outside Texas that understand Texas' LGBTQ+ non-profits are significantly under-resourced, especially when compared to other states with large populations.

37 Recipients of Texas Pride Impact Funds' 2022 Community Grants Program

Abilene Pride Alliance \$4,000
 allgo, Austin \$3,000
 Beyond Brotha \$5,000
 Black Ladies in Public Health, Arlington \$3,000
 Borderland Rainbow Center, El Paso \$9,000
 Dune's LGBT Homeless Foundation, Fort Worth \$3,000
 Eagle Pass SAFE, Eagle Pass \$6,000
 East Lubbock Art House \$4,000
 Elevate North Texas, DFW \$6,000
 Embrace Austin \$5,000
 Freedom Church - Houston (Freedom Cares) \$3,000
 Gender & Sexuality Center: Serving Women & LGBTQIA Communities, UT Austin \$3,000
 GENTex, McAllen \$10,000
 HOME- Fort Worth. \$5,000
 House of Rebirth, Dallas \$6,000
 I NEED SPACE, Austin \$4,000
 Just Love Collaborative, DFW \$4,000
 Lubbock Pride. \$6,000
 Lyfe Journey Unfolding, Dallas \$3,000
 Mayahuel Matriarchs, Central Texas \$3,000
 Monica Roberts Resource Center, Houston. \$3,000
 Pride Center San Antonio, San Antonio \$8,000
 Pride Center West Texas of Odessa-Midland. \$10,000
 Pride Community Center, College Station. \$3,000
 Save Our Sisters United, Houston \$5,000
 Smile Big TX, Amarillo \$4,000
 South Texas Equality Project, Harlingen \$5,000

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Taylor Pride, Taylor \$3,000
 TFA RGV PRISM, Rio Grande Valley \$3,000
 The Mahogany Project, Houston \$5,000
 The Normal Anomaly Initiative, Houston \$6,000
 The Opal Center, Wichita Falls \$3,000
 The Velvet Arts Project, Dallas \$5,000
 Trans Legal Aid Clinic of Texas, Houston \$5,000
 Trucha, Rio Grande Valley \$4,000
 Village Unlimited, DFW Area \$3,000
 WhatsintheMirror, Austin \$5,000

About Texas Pride Impact Funds

The Mission of TPIF is to inspire giving and investment to secure equitable opportunities that serve and enrich the lives of LGBTQ+ Texans for generations to come. TPIF was chartered in 2015 as the first LGBTQ+ statewide foundation for Texas. The organization operates under fiscal sponsorship of the Dallas Foundation, a 501(c)(3), publicly supported charity, Federal Tax ID 75-2890371. The Dallas Foundation provides TPIF investment management and other administrative services, helping TPIF leaders and volunteers focus on community and donor engagement.

In November 2018, TPIF launched its annual Community Grants program, awarding \$120,000 to sixteen LGBTQ+ supportive organizations across Texas; to date a total of \$1,000,000 in grants have been awarded. TPIF prioritizes organizations and projects that address the current and direct needs of LGBTQ+ communities while also seeking to correct the systemic injustices that unfairly burden people living within these identities and at their intersections. TPIF is supported by a growing donor community of individuals and families, corporations, and institutional donors.

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