In 2019, Independent Bank is proudly supporting the work of 36 nonprofits across North Texas, Central Texas, Houston and Colorado. The grants awarded this year will fund the following projects:

### NORTH TEXAS

**COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS OF NORTH TEXAS (CISNT)**
Location: Lewisville, TX

Summary: Communities in Schools of North Texas’ evidence-based case management programs keep at-risk students in school and on track for graduation. Through their relationship-driven, whole-child services, CISNT helps underserved students overcome barriers to success, such as intergenerational poverty, and propels them to academic achievement.

**TRINITY RIVER MISSION (TRM)**
Location: Dallas, TX

Summary: TRM’s after-school programs provide low-income K-12 students in West Dallas with homework assistance, one-on-one tutoring, social-emotional and character-building support, and various enrichment activities.

**UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS (UNT) FOUNDATION**
Location: Denton, TX

Summary: The UNT Preschool Language-Literacy Enrichment Program will serve 16-20 low-income children, ages 4-6, with documented speech-language and pre-literacy delays and prepare them to enter kindergarten by addressing gaps in literacy.

**ALLEN COMMUNITY OUTREACH**
Location: Allen, TX

Summary: The GED program offers students wraparound supportive services including: in-class instruction; one-on-one tutoring; group tutoring; and academic advisement and coaching. Upon obtaining their GED, students are directed to Allen Community Outreach’s Professional Development services.

**WOMEN IN NEED OF GENEROUS SUPPORT (WINGS)**
Location: Dallas, TX

Summary: WiNGS’ Women’s Enterprise Program is offered exclusively to aspiring female entrepreneurs to help them successfully design, launch, and establish their small businesses. Technical assistance and business training, along with critical financial, personal and professional support are provided in classroom and one-on-one mentoring sessions.

**YOUTH AND FAMILY COUNSELING**
Location: Lewisville, TX

Summary: The First Offender and At Risk Kids Program (FOARK) provides at-risk students in Denton County (referred to the organization by school personnel and the Community In-School Mental Health Coordinator) up to six, 50-minute counseling sessions.
CATHOLIC CHARITIES, DIOCESE OF FORT WORTH, INC.  $10,000  
Location: Fort Worth, TX  
Summary: Stay the Course Plus addresses low rates of community college persistence and completion among low-income students by combining comprehensive case management, emergency financial assistance, and employment services. The program helps clients complete community college or transfer to a four-year institution, moving them forward on their path out of poverty.

HEALTH SERVICES OF NORTH TEXAS, INC.  $10,000  
Location: Denton, TX  
Summary: The Back-to-School Giveaway is a collaborative event that helps meet the needs of impoverished Denton County children by providing free health education, sports physicals, backpacks, and school supplies. This event increases families’ awareness about health resources and ways to improve their health while reducing their back-to-school expenses.

SHELTER MINISTRIES OF DALLAS DBA AUSTIN STREET CENTER  $10,000  
Location: Dallas, TX  
Summary: The Sisterhood program serves the unique needs of homeless women who have experienced trauma, or mental illness. The program provides for their basic needs; provides intensive, individualized case management, services and resources; and helps participants exit into housing as quickly and permanently as possible.

TEXAS OFFENDER REENTRY INITIATIVE (TORI)  $10,000  
Location: Dallas, TX  
Summary: TORI’s Corporate Training Program will prepare formerly incarcerated individuals for corporate culture through soft skills training and one-on-one mentoring. Graduates will then be connected to corporate partners for employment opportunities.

AGAPE RESOURCE & ASSISTANCE CENTER  $5,000  
Location: Plano, TX  
Summary: Agape’s 2019 Summer Adventure Camp will provide a quality summer enrichment experience for 45 Collin County children from Agape Resource & Assistance Center, Shiloh Place, Hope’s Door New Beginning, Family Promise of Collin County, and a Plano ISD Title One Elementary School.
NORTH TEXAS

FAMILY COMPASS
Location: Dallas, TX

Summary: The Growing As Parents Program serves young families through intensive case management. The program increases graduation rates and the pursuit of higher education for teen mothers; improves financial stability for young families; monitors child health/development; increases child readiness to begin school; and promotes positive parenting.

VETERANS CENTER OF NORTH TEXAS
Location: Plano, TX

Summary: The Veterans Emergency Assistance Program is designed to provide emergency financial assistance to veterans and their families who are in crisis situations, thereby preventing homelessness as a result of eviction.
BAYLOR UNIVERSITY, SCHOOL OF EDUCATION – PROJECT PROMISE
Location: Waco, TX
Summary: Project Promise is a summer program for low-income students in grades 4-12 who are identified as gifted and talented. Students choose from dozens of enrichment courses, taking two classes per day for three weeks at Baylor’s University for Young People to develop their aspiration for higher education.

CARITAS OF AUSTIN
Location: Austin, TX
Summary: The Supported Employment pilot program will increase the viability and sustainability of employment for low-income veterans and youth as they transition out of homelessness by tailoring Caritas' existing Employment Services to meet their unique needs.

GRASSROOTS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
Location: Waco, TX
Summary: The First Time Home Buyer program addresses both the lack of knowledge of home-ownership and helps bring people out of poverty by providing housing counseling, home buyer education, and Individual Development Account savings programs.

JEREMIAH PROGRAM AUSTIN
Location: Austin, TX
Summary: The Jeremiah Program is a holistic, two-generation program for single mothers and their children built around five key pillars: safe and affordable housing; support for career-track college education; empowerment and life skills classes; high quality early childhood education; and a supportive community.

OUT TEACH
Location: Austin, TX
Summary: Out Teach’s Professional Learning Program is a best-in-class teacher training program which boosts students’ academic achievement, well-being and health through outdoor experiential learning. Grant funds will support Out Teach’s first outdoor experiential learning classroom in Austin ISD at Casey Elementary.

SAINT LOUISE HOUSE
Location: Austin, TX
Summary: Saint Louise House’s financial literacy and money management support services will provide low-income, women-led families who have experienced homelessness highly individualized financial literacy and money management support within a structured program. This approach will meet families where they are and provide them with tools and resources to better manage their financial situations and budget for a future outside poverty.
TALITHA KOUM INSTITUTE  
**Location:** Waco, TX  
**Summary:** Talitha Koum's Therapeutic Brain Development program will provide early intervention, therapeutic programming for trauma-affected children preparing to enter foster care. The program aims to increase children’s self-regulation of their emotions in order to prepare them to successfully enter into foster-to-adopt families.

MEALS ON WHEELS CENTRAL TEXAS  
**Location:** Austin, TX  
**Summary:** The Meals on Wheels program provides freshly prepared, nutritious lunchtime meals delivered by a friendly volunteer, a safety check, and professional case management to 3,000 homebound seniors in Central Texas each year.

THE GEORGETOWN PROJECT  
**Location:** Georgetown, TX  
**Summary:** The NEST Empowerment Center is a drop-in center and shelter for youth at-risk, homeless or living in transition in Georgetown. The NEST offers basic needs and supportive services such as meals, course credit recovery, tutoring, job and financial literacy training, college prep, job readiness, and professional counseling & case management.
FORT BEND COUNTY WOMEN'S CENTER, INC. (FBWC)  
$15,000  
**Location:** Richmond, TX  
**Summary:** The Wellness & Stability Program serves survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault who have disabling mental health diagnoses due to their history of abuse. Through long-term housing and on-site support services, FBWC seeks to help these clients overcome barriers to independence.

REBUILDING TOGETHER HOUSTON  
$13,000  
**Location:** Houston, TX  
**Summary:** The Volunteer Home Repair program leverages volunteer labor with financial resources to deliver exterior home restoration to its clients. Qualified homes receive critical repairs to increase ease of use, safety, security and air quality, allowing homeowners to live independently in their own home for a longer period of time.

THE WOMEN'S RESOURCE OF GREATER HOUSTON  
$12,000  
**Location:** Houston, TX  
**Summary:** RISE! is a four-year leadership development and financial literacy program for high school girls in the Houston area. Girls learn the basics of money management, set goals for their future, and receive guidance along the way, as they take steps to meet those goals.

BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS LONE STAR  
$10,000  
**Location:** Houston, TX  
**Summary:** The college- and career-focused Mentor2.0 program guides students facing adversity as they complete high school, create post-graduation plans, and achieve goals. It is designed to support children as they graduate and enroll in college, enlist in the military or enter the workforce full time. This Post-Secondary Success supports students through the college transition.

RAISEUP FAMILIES  
$10,000  
**Location:** Houston, TX  
**Summary:** The nine-month Hand Up Program provides assistance with rent, utilities and transportation to families who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless in order to ensure a stable home environment that allows children the opportunity to succeed in school. Through a partnership with the Houston Food Bank, RaiseUp will expand this program to additional schools in the greater Houston area.

THE WOMEN'S HOME  
$10,000  
**Location:** Houston, TX  
**Summary:** The Behavioral Health Treatment program provides residential treatment and comprehensive care to women ages 22 to 60 who are indigent and struggling with substance use and mental health disorders. The Women's Home utilizes evidence-based treatments and best-practices to help women regain their health and wellness, and rebuild their lives.

WESLEY COMMUNITY CENTER  
$10,000  
**Location:** Houston, TX  
**Summary:** “6 to 16” is a pilot program designed to move participants from middle school literacy levels (6th grade) to sustaining $16/hour+ wages. The program includes intensive coaching, access to accelerated credentialing pathways, and job placement assistance.
BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF THE PIKES PEAK REGION
Location: Colorado Springs, CO
Summary: Project Learn reinforces and enhances the knowledge and skills that young people gain at school by creating opportunities for high-yield learning activities, such as Power Hour homework help and STEM activities.

UNITED WAY OF WELD COUNTY
Location: Greeley, CO
Summary: Weld’s Way Home, a cold weather shelter, provides those facing homelessness with a safe place to sleep on the coldest nights of the year. Open from November until April, it also serves a hot meal and connects guests with longer-term resources.

BROTHERS REDEVELOPMENT, INC.
Location: Denver, CO
Summary: The Home Modification and Repair program completes repairs/modifications for low-income, elderly, and disabled clients who are unable to pay a commercial contractor for repairs or home modifications. The program preserves existing affordable housing, reduces the risk of injury and accidents in the home, and connects elderly residents to other supports.

CARE AND SHARE FOOD BANK
Location: Colorado Springs, CO
Summary: Care and Share Food Bank’s targeted initiatives, such as their Children’s Nutrition Initiative, Emergency Food Assistance Program, Mobile Food Pantries, connect people living with food insecurity to affordable, healthy food.

FAMILY TREE, INC.
Location: Wheat Ridge, CO
Summary: Family Tree’s Housing and Family Stabilization Services take a multi-generational approach to providing crisis intervention, wrap-around case management, emergency shelter, education and employment guidance, among many other supportive services.

GREELEY-WELD HABITAT FOR HUMANITY
Location: Greeley, CO
Summary: The Construction Pathway Program is a collaboration between Jefferson High School and Greeley-Weld Habitat for Humanity. Through the program, 50 non-traditional high school students complete related prerequisite coursework before building a Habitat home from the ground up in the program’s second year, thereby developing in-demand trade skills.

SPRINGS RESCUE MISSION
Location: Colorado Springs, CO
Summary: Work Initiatives (comprised of Work Readiness and Work Engagement) equips people experiencing homelessness to secure gainful employment. Work Readiness provides comprehensive vocational training for men pursuing addiction recovery, and Work Engagement equips shelter guests with job and life skills to re-enter the workforce.