



#IAMPEARL FUND

at COMMUNITIES FOUNDATION of TEXAS



The #IAMPEARL Fund is an affinity-sponsored fund housed at Communities Foundation of Texas. The fund was established by staff members of the Black Affinity Group and will make strategic grants to provide meaningful support in the African American community in its identified areas of focus.

The #IAMPEARL Fund will honor and lift the legacy of Pearl C. Anderson while providing a visible and public space for CFT staff and external stakeholders to learn about Pearl C. Anderson and her significance to Communities Foundation of Texas. With an increased focus on equity and the welcoming of more diverse voices to the philanthropic community, the fund will establish a space for more inclusivity around the process of giving through a fund, and subsequently, help direct philanthropic dollars in mutually agreed-upon focus area(s).

GRANTMAKING FOCUS AREAS

The Governing Committee will evaluate organizations and determine funding. Grants will be made to support organizations that provide community resources related to the following areas:

- Education
- Food Security
- Business Development and Financial Literacy

FUNDING

CFT is looking for committed, community-minded, forward-thinking individuals and businesses to join us in growing the #IAMPEARL Fund. Building this fund together will help ensure that there will be dedicated charitable resources to provide meaningful support in the African American community in its identified focus areas.



CFT's fundraising goal is \$325,000 - a tribute to Pearl C. Anderson's generous gift to The Dallas Community Chest Trust Fund in 1955.

When Communities Foundation of Texas began in 1953, it was known as the Dallas Community Chest Trust Fund. The first six-figure, major gift to the Dallas Community Chest Trust Fund was in 1955 from Pearl C. Anderson.



Learn more about CFT's #IAMPEARL Fund
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