Meeting Agenda

• Welcome
• CFT’s Story
• Philanthropy Team Introductions
• Grants and Funding Sources
• CFT Programs
• Letter of Inquiry
• Giving Guide
• Q & A
• Breakout Discussions
What is CFT’s Story?
Communities Foundation of Texas was founded in 1953 on a simple notion:

...that everyday, we have an opportunity to make tomorrow better.

Our WHY is simple:

...we exist to nurture thriving communities for all.
We amplify the impact of resources...
What’s Your Story?
Meet your Neighbor

Turn to the person next to you to ask:

What are your hopes for your organization in 2019?
Grants and Funding Sources
What all is funded through CFT?

2018 Grants: $106 million

- 26% Education
- 18% Health & Scientific Research
- 12% Housing & Human Services
- 12% Religion
- 11% Community Improvement
- 9% Arts & Culture
- 9% Other
- 3% Youth & Recreation
Donor-Driven Grants

Donor-Advised
Designated
Scholarship
Agency
At Communities Foundation of Texas, we believe a thriving community is one where all people have equal access to good jobs, strong relationships, transformational educational opportunities, quality health care and safe neighborhoods.
Grants Powered by CFT

**Caruth Fund**
- Health
- Education
- Public Safety
- Medical Research

**Fields of Interest**
- Economic Security
- Best in Class

**Discretionary**
- Arts & Culture
- Older Adults
- Animals
- Community Services
- Health
- Environment
- Racial Equity
What else does CFT have to offer?
North Texas Giving Day

• Online giving event
• Empower every person to give back to their community
• In 2018, $48M was raised for 2,700 local nonprofits
CFT4B

- Partner with companies of all sizes
- Facilitate community engagement and business philanthropy
  - Monthly Volunteer Events
  - Board positions
  - Custom Volunteer Projects
  - Freedom Day
  - Donation Drives
  - Holiday Volunteering
- Freedom Day each year on September 11th
- www.cft4b.org
2019 Letter of Inquiry
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- **501(c)3 for two years**
- **Collin, Dallas, Denton, Rockwall, Tarrant Co.**
- **Programs that are not focused on evangelism**

**Eligibility**
2019 Spring Letter of Inquiry (LOI)

At CFT, we believe that a thriving community is one in which all people feel cared for, invested in, nourished and valued, and have an equitable opportunity to contribute to the well-being and growth of themselves, their families, and their communities.

In Spring 2019, priority consideration will be for:

1. Arts and Culture
2. Human-Animal Connection
3. Older Adults
4. Special Interests: education and training of student nurses; fundamental theology schools; medical research related to cancer or heart disease; scholarships for blind individuals; STEM education for girls; programs that use technology to serve people with barriers to reading due to low vision or learning differences; Collin County Fund (to be considered, at least 75% of program participants must be Collin County residents).
2019 Letter of Inquiry

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- Posted online now
- Due April 1\textsuperscript{st} at 5pm
- Sector areas:
  - Arts and Culture
  - Human-Animal Connection
  - Older Adults
  - Special Interest

**FALL LOI**
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- Due August 29\textsuperscript{th} at 5pm
- Sector areas:
  - Environment
  - Health
  - Racial Equity
  - Social Services
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2019 Letter of Inquiry

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LOI Criteria

- Relevant/timely topic
- Data
- Highest need areas
- Innovative solutions
- Collaboration
2019 Giving Guide

- Provides CFT staff with info to match with interested donors
- Opportunity to inform donors and stakeholders about activities and needs
- Public exposure
2019 Giving Guide

Process

Grants process – LOI, Caruth, etc.

Review for eligibility.

Giving Guide released in fall
2019 Giving Guide

Plan Your Giving / Giving Guide

2018 - 2019 Giving Guide

CHOOSE YOUR CATEGORY AND GET STARTED:

- Animals
- Arts & Culture
- Education
- Elderly
- Environment
- Health
- Racial Equity
- Social Services
- Veterans
- Youth
- Other
Meet your Neighbor

Turn to the person next to you to tell them:

What was the most helpful thing you learned from today’s workshop
Go to www.menti.com and use the code 92 84 14