

# *Charity League*

Dear Community Friends,

I am enclosing a Grant Application for our 2023-2024 fundraising campaign. I have also enclosed a list of past projects for your information.

As you know, we are currently accepting applications from organizations interested in applying for funds for capital improvements, specific equipment items, or program expenses. We do not award funds for operating expenses.

Please review the enclosed guidelines, and if you feel your organization qualifies, complete the cover form, attach the necessary information, and forward your proposal to the address listed below. Please be sure to address each criterion on the Grant Application Guidelines.

**The deadline for applications is August 11, 2023. All applications must be sent via United Postal Service mail to the post office box indicated below.** We will notify you of the receipt of your application via email.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please feel free to contact me at (361) 774-2673 or [CharityLeagueGrants@gmail.com](mailto:CharityLeagueGrants@gmail.com).

Very truly yours,

Margie Durst  
Welfare Chairman, 2023-2024

P.O. Box 6757  
Corpus Christi, Texas 78466-6757

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## Grant Application Cover Form

Please complete this form including a brief summary of your grant request in the space provided. Attach the additional information listed on the "Grant Applications Guidelines" form.

Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Summary of Request:

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Amount Requested \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_

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## Grant Application Guidelines

The Charity League supports any and all institutions and agencies that seek to improve the quality of life for citizens of Corpus Christi, and the surrounding areas. Requests for funds must be for capital improvements, specific equipment items, or program expenses.

Under the terms of its charter, the Charity League can distribute only to qualified public entities with 501(c) (3) status.

If you feel your organization qualifies under these guidelines, please forward your proposal to the address listed below. **Applications must be submitted by August 11, 2023.** Please include all of the following information in your application:

1. HISTORY: A brief history of your organization.
2. GEOGRAPHICAL AREA: The geographical area serviced by your organization and the number of individuals that benefit from the charity.
3. PROPOSED PROJECT: A brief description of the proposed project.
4. AMOUNT REQUESTED: The specific amount requested, how it will be spent, and the date the funds are needed.
5. PROJECT BUDGET: A complete project budget.
6. TIME FRAME: A brief description of the time frame of the project.
7. IMMEDIATE NEED: What is your immediate need?
8. OTHER REQUESTS FOR FUNDING FOR THE PROJECT: A list of other organizations asked to support this project.
9. SOURCES OF FUNDING: Sources of the charity's funding: United Way, government, foundations, individual donors, scheduled fundraising events, etc.

10. FLEXIBILITY: Can you be flexible with the donation, and use whatever amount Charity League raises? (Please note that Charity League cannot guarantee a specific amount).
11. GOVERNING BODY / STAFF: A list of the governing body of your organization, including current staff and board of directors.
12. CASH CONTRIBUTIONS FROM BOARD: A summary showing the total cash contributions made in the last fiscal year by the Board of Directors, including the percentage of directors who made contributions to your organization.
13. TAX EXEMPTION: A copy of your organization's 501(c)(3) tax exemption letter.
14. FORM 990: A copy of the Form 990 for the prior year.
15. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: Your organization's current, year-to-date financial statements, including an audited year-end financial statement for the most recent completed year if available.
16. COST SUMMARY: The percentage of your organization's total budget that represents fundraising and administrative costs, and a summary and description of those costs.

Thank you for your interest in the Charity League. We look forward to hearing from you.

Please address all application correspondence to:

**Charity League**  
**Attn: Margie Durst**  
**P.O. Box 6757**  
**Corpus Christi, TX 78466-6757**  
**CharityLeagueGrants@gmail.com**  
**(361) 774-2673**

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## History of Grants Awarded 1999-2023

### **2022-2023 Agape Ranch**

To change the tragic state of foster care in South Texas, Agape Ranch is building a neighborhood, complete with homes, playgrounds, recreational areas, and onsite respite care providers to love and support foster children. On eleven generously donated acres of land, Agape Ranch is building a 24-home planned community for foster children to call home. At full capacity, Agape Ranch will have the capability to house 168 children and youth in foster care. To date, we have completed two houses. The funds raised will allow Agape Ranch to build a third home in this highly unique and caring neighborhood.

Raised \$496,000.

### **2021-2022 New Life Refuge Ministries**

The New Life Refuge Ministries Campus is a place of long term care where children have survived being sex trafficked can process their trauma and transition into healthy lifestyles. This year's project is adding a "village" of transitional housing cabins to the current refuge campus. The village will allow for survivors who reach the age of 18 to continue on their healing paths on campus, rather than having to move away from their crucial support system. This project will provide four finished cabins and the finishing work; which include a well, electricity and the paving work that will allow vehicles to safely drive and park at the village.

Raised: \$482,000

### **2020-2021 Children's Advocacy Center of The Coastal Bend**

Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, Charity League took a year leave from publicly fundraising for our Coastal Bend charities. However, our organization believed many deserving charities still needed assistance. We chose to donate our Active and Associate Member dues to The Children's Advocacy Center of The Coastal Bend.

The CACCB services 12 counties throughout the Coastal Bend and its mission is to minimize the trauma to abused children and their families by uniting the efforts of public agencies and enlisting the support of the community and to protect,

restore, and transform the lives and futures of these children and their families. The CACCB is a victim centered, multidisciplinary team approach to the investigation and prosecution of child abuse cases. The CACCB provides specialized Forensic Interviews, therapeutic recovery services, case management, and outreach, education, and prevention services. The children served by CACCB are alleged victims of sexual abuse, severe physical abuse, drug-endangerment, human trafficking, and witnesses to violent crimes such as homicide and domestic violence.

**2019-2020 Timon's Ministries**

Originally opened in 2000 as a feeding station, Timon's Ministries has evolved into a Day Resource Center serving the community's poor and underserved. Services include a health arm providing primary medical care through a family practice medical doctor serving over 2,500 patients, an eye care clinic, and a dental clinic which has treated over 3,400 patients. In addition, daily meals, a Crisis Pantry, some financial assistance, laundry, showers, barber services, and free clothing are provided. Housed in an old convenience store built in 1971, the structure does not meet electrical code. As demand increases, Timon's Ministries is embarking on a Capital Improvement Project to replace air conditioning equipment, bring electrical up to code, and double the existing laundry and restroom facilities. Improvements will also include renewal of unsanitary ceiling and floor finishes and replacement of deteriorated plumbing.

Raised: \$308,000

**2018-2019 United Services Organization of South Texas (USO)**

The USO, located onboard Naval Air Station Corpus Christi, serves military members, reservists, veterans, and their families for over 75 years. As a comprehensive, one-stop resource station and relaxation center, veterans receive free services year-round. The existing building will be expanded and enhanced with upgrades to the second floor including a mini movie theatre and a game/study room for junior personnel.

Raised: \$283,000

**2017-2018 Hope House**

Corpus Christi Hope House provides support and services to addicted, abused, abandoned, low-income, poverty level, and homeless pregnant women, single mothers, fathers and their dependent children by assisting with essential services, counseling services, medical assistance, life skills training, transportation, and material assistance. Funds raised will allow Hope House to purchase a larger facility to accommodate the numerous clients that they serve. This new facility will allow them to provide private counseling rooms, conference rooms, and a dedicated area for children to play while parents meet with counselors. The purchase of this new multi-purpose building will also create more living space in the Hope House shelter.

Raised: \$275,000

**2016-2017 Youth Odyssey**

Funds provided to build a multi-functional recreation center that will allow Youth Odyssey flexibility during inclement weather and to host a larger number of participants. The funds will also be used to expand the ropes course area by adding numerous low and high ropes course elements to cater to the increased demand for their site.

Raised: \$262,000

**2015-2016 CASA of the Coastal Bend**

Funds provided for the completion of the “Kid’s Korner and Teen Lounge” to provide a safe and supervised place for CASA volunteers and staff, build an outdoor play area and to have the space for more volunteers.

Raised: \$282,000

**2014-2015 Citizens for Educational Excellence**

Funds provided for the purchase of a customized trailer to serve as Coastal Compass Mobile Career Center that serves Nueces County as well as 12 surrounding counties. The mobile unit will provide help with education and career training.

Raised: \$251,000

**2013-2014 The Deaf and Hard of Hearing Center**

Funds provided for the completion of the interior of their new building including electrical, plumbing, HVAC and interior finish. The Deaf and Hard of Hearing Center provides an array of services to the people who are deaf and hard of hearing in the Coastal Bend Area.

Raised: \$248,000

**2012-2013 Charlie's Place**

Funds provided for the renovation of the exterior portion of the facility including a playground, walking trail, garden and low ropes courses. Charlie's Place provides comprehensive rehabilitation services and case management to individuals 18+years diagnosed with substance use disorders.

Raised: \$250,000

**2011-2012 HALO-Flight, Inc.**

Funds provided for the purchase of two Cobham HeliSAS, an advanced new autopilot and stability augmentation system (SAS), for its 2 Bell 407 helicopters. HALO-Flight's mission is to provide medical transports for the critically ill or injured in the South Texas service area.

Raised: \$218,000

**2010-2011 The Miracle League of Corpus Christi**

Funds provided for the completion of a Miracle League baseball complex. Miracle League is a non-profit organization that provides children adults with special needs the chance to play baseball and the chance to experience belonging to a team.

Raised: \$207,348

**2009-2010 Mission of Mercy (MOM)**

Funds provided for the purchase and renovation of a new mobile health clinic. MOM is a non-profit medical outreach program designed to make primary healthcare available to uninsured and under-insured Coastal Bend working families.

Raised: \$201,000

**2008-2009 The Ark Assessment Center and Emergency Shelter for Youth**



Funds provided for the Stork's Home addition to allow for long term foster care and large sibling groups.

Raised: \$195,060

**2007-2008 American Red Cross—Coastal Bend Chapter**

Funds provided for the purchase of an Emergency Response Vehicle (ERV), and Rescue Utility Vehicle. Funds also used for improvements and repairs to Chapter building enabling Red Cross volunteers to utilize the facility around the clock during a disaster.

Raised: \$198,500

**2006-2007 Habitat for Humanity-Corpus Christi**

Provided funding for the purchase of a building to be used for Habitat ReStore. ReStore sells new and gently used building materials to the public at a fraction of normal prices. Proceeds will generate a stream of sustainable revenue for Habitat for Humanity's home building efforts.

Raised: \$196,000

**2005-2006 Camp Aranzazu**

Funds provided for the renovation of a multipurpose building into a barrier-free dormitory for operation in the 2006 summer camping season. Camp Aranzazu provides unique experiences for groups with special needs.

Raised: \$211,000

**2004-2005 Food Bank of Corpus Christi**

Funds provided for the construction of a new Food Pantry and Better Nutrition Center that included an area for "grocery shopping" as well as a hands on instruction area.

Raised: \$172,000

**2003-2004 Mary and Jeff Bell Children's Library at the Downtown Public Library**

Partial funding provided for the expansion and remodel of the children's area at the Central Library. Children's area was doubled in size and included enclosing the area for noise control.

Raised: \$158,000

**2002-2003 Boy's and Girls Club of Corpus Christi**

Funds provided to complete the development of a comprehensive sports complex on the back ten acres of the Club. Included soccer fields, kickball fields, flag football fields, restrooms, lighting, bleachers, irrigation and scoreboards.

Raised: \$157,500

**2001-2002 Mary McLeod Bethune Day Nursery**

Provided funds needed to pay off a bank bridge loan utilized for construction of a gymnasium and multipurpose building for students at the nursery. Funds also helped to complete a covered walkway to the facility from the main building.

Raised: \$145,000

**2000-2001 Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)**

Provided monies to pay off the amount owed on their home office building located on Carancahua Street near the downtown courthouse.

Raised: \$118,500

**1999-2000 Corpus Christi Symphony Orchestra**

Funds provided for the purchase of an acoustical shell for the auditorium used for symphony performances.

Raised: \$111,500