



TEXAS WOMEN'S FOUNDATION

RESILIENCE FUND

There has never been a holiday season like this one. A season when far too many cannot celebrate, but instead are suffering from the ravages of the pandemic – economic uncertainty, lack of basic resources, the threat of eviction or losing their homes. The greatest burden is being borne by women of color with children – who are most at risk. As we continue to raise and distribute support through the Resilience Fund, we have also initiated a new fund specifically to address the significantly gendered issue of housing stability.

The Housing Stability Fund is a critical initiative at this time and for the foreseeable future. We're providing resources to the grantee partners featured in this report – organizations that are mitigating the terrible effects of eviction; offering rental assistance; helping gain stable, secure housing; and supporting ongoing stability through financial coaching and other services so needed by vulnerable women and families. We are also engaging in advocacy for policy changes that can increase opportunities for housing stability. And we are investing capital assets to enhance affordable housing.

In November, we distributed over \$225,000 through the Housing Stability Fund, thanks to our very generous and dedicated donors. We are very grateful for your support.

As we move through the holidays and into the New Year, we ask that you [continue your commitment](#) to those most at risk. Your gifts to Texas Women's Foundation's Resilience Fund and Housing Stability Fund directly assist vulnerable women and families, and together, we will help see them through this season and beyond.

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IMPACT

November Housing Stability Fund Grants

Center for Transforming Lives

Harmony Community Development Corporation

Texas Housers



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Since 1988, Texas Housers has supported low-income Texans' efforts to achieve the American dream of a decent, affordable home in a quality neighborhood. Texas Women's Foundation made a grant to support Texas Housers advocacy for housing justice on behalf of and alongside low-income families at the state Legislature in 2021. This session, Texas Housers will focus on advancing the rights and dignity of Texas renters, who represent 20 percent of our population. This group disproportionately has low incomes and are dominantly people of color with limited access to legal assistance.



Center for Transforming Lives

Center for Transforming Lives moves women, children and their families from poverty to independence through housing stability, high-quality affordable child care and financial empowerment services. Women and families assisted by the agency's Rapid Family Housing program receive short-term rental assistance, intensive care management and other supportive services. Texas Women's Foundation made a capacity-building grant to extend the employment of a full-time program Housing Specialist position to three years.

Texas Women's Foundation RESILIENCE FUND IMPACT



Harmony Community Development Corporation

Harmony Community Development Corporation strengthens families and revitalizes neighborhoods through community-driven and solution-oriented approaches. The agency's Financial Empowered Program empowers people to live more financially stable lives. The majority of the program's clients are women who benefit from the comprehensive 12-week program that partners with financial institutions and planners to provide coaching and financial curriculum, covering goal setting, budgeting, debt reduction, savings and income stability strategies. Funding from Texas Women's Foundation will build capacity of the program through the hire of a program director.

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Texas Women's Foundation DONOR SPOTLIGHT



Retta Miller
Board Alumnae
Economic Leadership Council

Texas Women's Foundation **appreciates Retta Miller** for her long-time support for women and their families.

"The COVID-19 pandemic is disproportionately impacting women and children, especially women and children of color. Texas Women's Foundation has once again stepped in to fill the gap. The Resilience Fund provides critically-needed support and security for women and children during this very difficult time. I am proud to support Texas Women's Foundation and its Resilience Fund."



Texas Women's Foundation thanks **Cheryl Alston** for her investment in women and their families.

"As we all know by now, the impact of COVID-19 on communities—but especially those who are most vulnerable—is heart-breaking. However, this crisis has also brought to focus the many ways we can uplift each other. During this global pandemic, the Resilience Fund at Texas Women's Foundation has the unique ability to support vulnerable communities faced with health and economic resiliency challenges. I give to the Resilience Fund because I am committed to lifting up families in need in the community."

Cheryl Alston
TXWF Board Member

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NOMINATIONS ARE STILL OPEN!


If you know someone doing great things for women and girls, you still have time to nominate them for the [Maura Women Helping Women](#) or [Young Leader Award!](#)
[Nominations are open through November 18th!](#)

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