GOAL: \$150,000





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2023-2024 Hopkins County United Way Officers

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Bright Star Baseball \$1,750

Provides a special needs baseball league for individuals ages 5 to adult. Bright Star Baseball had 43 players and 35 buddies in their Spring 2023 season.

CANHelp

\$18,500

Provides compassionate, comprehensive solutions that empower the under-served in our community to make positive, lasting changes in their lives. In 2022, CANHelp served 968 individuals and distributed \$100,000 to help families with rent, utilities, and basic needs. Another \$25,824 helped 1,000 local students get school supplies.

Circle Ten Council, **Boy Scouts of America**

\$1,000

Helps prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetime by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law. Hopkins County had 44 youth participating in 2022.

Community Players, Inc.

\$1,500

Provides opportunities for aspiring actors and actresses to learn about theatre. Funding from Hopkins County United Way will help fund the Summer Children's Workshop. Summer of 2023 had 26 students participating in the Summer Children's Workshop, along with 13 actors and 13 buddies participating in the Adaptive Community Theatre program.



Heritage Christian Counseling Center

\$8,000

Provides mental health counseling to those unable to obtain these services due to lack of finances or insurance. Heritage Christian Counseling Center served 434 people in Hopkins County in 2022.

Hopkins County 4-H

\$2,750

Prepares youth across the county to meet the challenges of childhood, adolescence, and adulthood, through a coordinated, long-term progressive series of educational experiences that enhance life skills and develop social, emotional, physical, and cognitive competencies. Through five 4-H clubs, 1,488 Hopkins County students benefitted from 4-H activities in 2022.

Hopkins County Christian Alliance on behalf of **Community Cupboard**

\$7,000

Provides food assistance to families in need. Through Community Cupboard, Christian Alliance provided food to 1,117 Hopkins County households in 2022.

Hopkins County Community Chest

\$41,000

Seeks to help Hopkins County residents who are at or below the poverty level meet basic needs of food, shelter, utilities, hygiene, and gain access to medical and dental care. Community Chest distributed 1,267,232 pounds of nutritious food in 2022 and helped 3,442 people in Hopkins County in 2022.

Lake Country CASA

\$10,000

Provides trained volunteer advocates for abused and neglected children involved in the Family Courts with the goal of achieving a permanent living arrangement which will serve that child's best interest. Lake Country Casa served 74 children in Hopkins County in 2022.

Lakes Regional Community Center on behalf of Our Place

\$4,000

Provides a safe, developmentally appropriate environment for individuals with Intellectual Development Disabilities. The Day Program seeks to enhance quality of life through meaningful activities, community integration and social interaction. Our Place, located in Sulphur Springs, currently provides services for 20 people.

Meal-A-Day

\$8,000

Provides hot nutritious lunches 5 days a week, including most holidays, to senior citizens. Meals are available for a nominal charge, if seniors can pay, and meals are also delivered on a regular basis to those who are ill, disabled, or homebound and have no one to prepare meals for them. Meal - A - Day served 39,745 meals in 2022

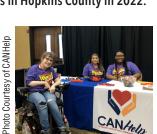
NETCAC (Northeast Texas Child Advocacy Center, Inc.)

\$4,000

Coordinates and provides services for child abuse victims including forensic interviews, medical exams, case tracking, and family advocacy. **NETCAC** served 109 people from Hopkins County in 2022.

SAFE-T (Shelter Agencies for Families in East Texas) \$5,000

Provides services to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. The center provides education, violence prevention services, and crisis intervention to victims of family violence, sexual assault, and child abuse. SAFE-T served 369 clients in Hopkins County in 2022.







Shadow Ranch Therapeutic Riding Center \$4,000

Increases the quality of life of kids and adults dealing with disabilities and/or disabling situations in their lives. Shadow Ranch currently provides a boot camp style program called Empowering for Success for teens in trouble that have been identified through the Hopkins County Truancy Court. In 2022, Shadow Ranch served 15 teenagers through Empowering for Success, 850 students through Ag in the Classroom, and 45 students through their literacy program.

Sulphur Springs Symphony League on behalf of the Children's Concert \$1,000

Seeks to educate students in developing their cultural understanding and improving their social skills by encouraging music instruction, funding music scholarships, providing stringed instruments to the school district, and presenting live orchestra performances at student concerts. Approximately 900 students attended the Children's Concert in 2023.







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Teen Court

\$2,500

United Way Worldwide

\$1,500

Provides teenage misdemeanor offenders an opportunity to accept responsibility for their actions by participating in the judicial process and performing community service work. Teen Court also encourages volunteerism among teens to work the court as a juror, bailiff, clerk, or attorney. Students that volunteer for these duties are given points toward scholarships at the end of each school year. Teen Court served 65 students in 2022.

Works cooperatively with local United Ways to make the local United Way movement more viable. Membership in United Way Worldwide is required for all local United Way organizations.

Administrative Expenses \$23,500

Includes salary for part-time secretary, supplies, utilities, annual audit, postage, and campaign materials.

The Dinner Bell

\$5,000

Provides a weekly hot meal to any person in need. The Dinner Bell provided 10,497 meals in 2022.



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