

We continue to stay very busy at the Welfare Board. This year we had some unusual requests as well as many routine ones

We had five young children placed with an Aunt. The children had many needs, car seats, clothes, beds/bedding, dressers. Also, the infant was on a special formula that required a doctor's prescription. We paid for two months of the formula until it could be approved by WIC. The bio Mom had mental health issues. We paid for mental health assessment and ongoing treatments until approved by Medicaid.

Rx for ADHD child 5 yo. Medicaid wouldn't cover it until child is 6 yo, but doctor said this child needed it.

Court ordered well check for child recently placed with Father and medicaid still in Mom's name

Aunt taking in three children needed new tires to transport them to visits and counseling

Couple adopting two young children Adoptive Mom was in a horrific car accident and lost both legs and several fingers. Helped build a ramp and converted a room into a play room for the boys with a rug, bean bag chairs, toys and shelves with games and books. Also participated in cleaning up the yard for a playscape.

We paid for two cell phone bills where their phones were cut off. Each of these women were victims of domestic abuse and their cell phones were vital for their safety

Covered motel for young Mom with infant while caseworker worked to see if she was a candidate for Sarah's house

Paid for motel and gift card to Whataburger for Mom with two children 16 months and 5 years. She had been in multiple shelters. Very organized and intelligent. Seemed like a Good candidate for ARK transformational living apartments. But the intake process takes time. She ultimately did get into the apartments, received a donated car. We helped with gas for the car, child care for the 18 mo for 3 months until state subsidy started. This Mom got a job at MFISD high school as a paraprofessional. She is doing very well and making a budget, attending ARK Bible study and applying to work for the ACE after school program and looking for a summer job. We feel like she is on the right track to provide a better future for herself and her children.

Camps -

Robotics camp for two teen brothers on the autism spectrum but have an aptitude for robotics

TaeKwonDo classes for an aggressive 6 yo who needed to channel his energy/aggression
3 kids to attend Camp of the Hills

Swim lessons for 1 at YMCA

Phoenix Center summer camp

Two brothers for basketball

We Contributed to ARK summer food program for kids unable to get to the MFISD summer food program site
And to the Boys and Girls Club in Burnet – summer food program

Gave a scholarship for a young lady entering Texas State last Fall
Paid for online Driver's ED course for two teens

Participated in B2SB at MF Middle School
Donated gift basket as a raffle prize for a new teacher in MFISD and BCISD
Provided items for 100 new teachers in MFISD
Made Adoption Day gift baskets for each family adopting children in Nov Adoption Day
Shopped for 116 children for Christmas gifts

We are providing supper for A monthly foster/adopt/kinship support group that has started in Burnet and MF, alternating locations each month.

And, we provide money for caseworkers to attend training workshops and conferences when we have funds available.
Also purchased a small table and chairs for their observation area at the CPS office and a monitor for the visitation room.

We keep and pack n play and car sets for the caseworkers and investigators to use when transporting children or keeping them occupied while they search for a suitable placement. We also keep snacks and microwabable meals for the kids and/or caseworkers while they search for a suitable placement.

We stay very busy providing for the needs of foster kids in Burnet County as well as for enrichment experiences that all children enjoy.

We feel that we have fulfilled our purpose to support the CPS Caseworkers in whatever they need to secure a safe place for the children in their care whether that be staying in their biological home, being placed with a relative or foster home.

We can only do this with your support and the generosity of our donors.

Thank you so much for providing the funds to enable us to keep fulfilling our mission and doing what we love!