

# Knapp Community Care Foundation

## 2022 Grant Recipients - \$4,222,074



### **Access Esperanza Clinics, Inc. \$125,000**

The Breast & Cervical Health Initiative will provide cervical cancer screenings / mammography services to minimum 700 low income, uninsured women in the Mid-Valley area. It will provide colposcopy and ultrasound training to AEC's Nurse Practitioners.



### **Aurora House \$67,922**

Aurora House intends to resume full rotations for student nurses, social workers, and others learning about healthcare careers that may include hospice and palliative care; resume community outreach and education; and ensure staff retention.



### **Community Development Corporation of Brownsville \$100,000**

CDCB's Financial Security Program will improve the home environment of low-income residents by helping them acquire a safe, affordable home and reach a state of financial resilience.



### **Community HOPE / HOPE Family Health Center \$125,000**

HOPE intends to capture and utilize useful data regarding social determinants of health to recognize social needs and improve the impact of local services while increasing the accessibility and reach of mental health services for residents of the Mid-Valley area.



### **Dentists Who Care (DWC) \$50,000**

To support DWC SMILE Voucher program and provide access to dental care to children and adults that are low-income with no insurance. DWC staff will also focus on community outreach and recruiting volunteer dentists to our program.



### **Food Bank of the Rio Grande Valley \$20,000**

Funding will support a planning grant to discover barriers to food security, barriers to nutrition education, areas being underserved, provide general emergency food assistance, and lay the groundwork to establishing a Mid-Valley branch of the Food Bank RGV.



### **It's Time Texas – \$149,595**

Funding is to allow Unidos Contra la Diabetes' (UCD) RGV Health Connect data sharing platform, to continue to house locally sourced data from partners and stakeholders in the Rio Grande Valley (RGV).



### **El Milagro Clinic \$20,400**

Provision and coordination of free Uber Health rides to El Milagro Clinic patients as a means of safe and reliable transportation to access healthcare, employment, educational opportunities, and social services.



### **Prevent Blindness Texas \$15,000**

To expand preventative eye health/risk screenings, eye health education, navigation services and financial resources for increased health equity in vision health, and focusing on educating those who have diabetes or at risk developing eye disease.



### **Rio Grande Valley Diabetes Association \$18,354**

RGVDA will implement a two-pronged approach on health cooking and on a healthy lifestyle through of online and in-person presentations that will help residents and others to focus on their diet and physical activity to combat diabetes and obesity.



### **South Texas Juvenile Diabetes Association \$89,176**

Through expanding services to the Delta Region, STJDA will provide access to services by creating new access points on newly acquired land as well as sustain current services to mid-Valley (Camp FREEDOM, Youth Leadership Conference, Food Pantry, STOMP OUT diabetes program)



### **Su Casa De Esperanza \$58,150**

The project provides early childhood development education for families from the colonias with children ages birth to 3. The goal is to educate families about health & fitness, child development, & the importance of education beginning at birth.



### **The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley \$160,000**

The School of Social Work will place student dyads (BSW/MSSW) in community agencies, each agency focusing on one SDOH. Students will be trained on SDOH assessment, intervention, and referrals, and will work with clients presenting for services.



### **Valley Initiative for Development and Advancement (VIDA) \$100,000**

VIDA will address the compounding nursing and other allied health professionals shortage in the Mid Valley region through workforce development, education and training, student certification, and help students achieve living-wage employment.



### **Valley Nature Center \$85,000**

VNC Nature Quest for special needs and “at-risk” children gets kids outside with active recreation, nutrition, and STEAM education for a sustainable, healthy future. New summer camp curriculum annually supports school trips and other programs.



### **Weslaco ISD/Weslaco High School \$38,477**

The Gibson Park Musical Gardens intends to create a musical garden for the community of Weslaco. The purpose of the Gibson Park Musical Gardens is to create a space where all children and families can come together through the gift of music and nature.



### **Knapp Medical Center – Indigent Healthcare Agreement & Additional Hospital Support \$3,000,000.00**

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## **2021 Grant Recipients – 5,854,496**



### **Access Esperanza Clinics, Inc. \$200,000**

Access to Care Plus will focus on specialized primary care services, specifically, Diabetes assessments to include screening for diabetes risk factors and diabetes testing to 330 clients per year at the AEC Weslaco Clinic.



### **Aurora House \$74,200**

Funding will support the established Aurora House 5K Glow-in-the-Dark Run/Walk, adding a high-quality annual Health Fair for the Mid-Valley for two years. Additionally, the funding will also assist Aurora House operations after Covid-19 devastated the organization’s fundraising activities in 2020.



### **Food Bank of the Rio Grande Valley \$299,297**

Funding will support an innovative, multipurpose vehicle that will be instrumental in removing barriers for Mid-Valley clients seeking a variety of social services, that will house a counseling/referral area, a small computer lab, and an educational kitchen.



### **Holy Family Services, Inc. \$295,000**

The project services as a means of offering assessment, prevention and management of both GDM/ DM for communities/colonias served through the HFS mobile clinic. The intent is to collaboratively aid in pursuing proper and adequate care for clients.



### **It's Time Texas – \$200,000**

Funding will assist ITT to activate policy, systems and environmental (PSE) changes in schools. The program targets obesity, diabetes and behavioral health utilizing the School Health Advisory Council (SHAC) model.



### **Knapp Medical Center – ADN Program \$371,666**

KMC will support an accelerated 18 month, 40-hours a week, hospital based Associate Degree of Nursing Program, which prepares students to immediately work as a registered nurse.



### **El Milagro Clinic \$290,000**

The funding will allow El Milagro to continue to provide the provisions of basic healthcare services (including medical consultations, COVID-19 testing and vaccinations) in Mid-Valley colonias.



### **South Texas Juvenile Diabetes Association \$90,500**

The funding will allow STJDA to continue to fund current programs that address juvenile diabetes (Camp FREEDOM, Youth Leadership Conference, Food Pantry, STOMP OUT diabetes program) as well as conduct a community needs assessment to assess how the pandemic has impacted families and how to best continue to serve them.



### **Su Casa De Esperanza \$48,933**

Our project provides education and resources for families from the colonias of South Texas with children ages birth to 3. Our goal is to educate families about health & fitness, child development, and the importance of education beginning at birth.



### **Team MARIO \$46,000**

Project GET UP & SOAR is designed to empower individuals with autism in making healthy lifestyle changes; helping them develop academic and career goals; and support independent living and social emotional health.



### **Tip of Texas \$47,405**

Provide families an array of supportive services to help increase positive parenting education and nurturing behavior that will help reduce the risk of child maltreatment. To ensure children are raised in safe, healthy and loving home environments.



### **Weslaco Museum \$11,500**

The Weslaco Museum proposes to establish a safe hands-on STEM educational area within the confines of the current museum to be done in three phases. Covid-19 proved that the Mid-Valley has very few safe, fun, educational, and cost-effective family activities.



### **Tropical Texas Behavioral Health \$520,000**

The purpose of the grant is to address diabetes and modifiable risk factors via primary care services to Mid-Valley residents which will include education and support from increased engagement made possible through remote patient monitoring devices.



### **Valley Nature Center \$85,000**

Nature Quest Summer Camp gives children and families a high-quality experience emphasizing health, nutrition, education, sustainability, and personal responsibility.

## Knapp Medical Center – Indigent Healthcare Agreement & Additional Hospital Support \$3,000,000.00

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## 2020 Grant Recipients - \$4,054,958



### Access Esperanza Clinics, Inc. \$100,000

Funds requested to supplement gap in funding to provide services to Mid-Valley residents. The gap in funding is created from a reduction of State funding.



### El Milagro Clinic \$100,000

Funding to provide basic health care services via the El Milagro mobile van. Services include screenings, diagnosis and treatment, diabetes prevention and management education, COVID-19 testing and supplemental services to colonia residents in the Mid-Valley.



### Food Bank of the Rio Grande Valley \$50,000

Funding to allow for continued distributions of thousands of pounds of food and fresh produce to vulnerable populations within the KCCF community footprint.



### Holy Family Services, Inc. \$100,000

Funds to expand education about Gestational Diabetes Mellitus (GDM) and Diabetes Mellitus (DM) in the Mid-Valley, and to provide related services.



### IDEA Public Schools \$100,000.00

To enhance the IDEA Healthy Kids Here Project by: increasing healthiness of meals; incorporate moderate to vigorous physical activity on campus; to provide health screenings (and track indicators) of students for healthier outcomes.



### Rio Grande Valley Diabetes Association \$10,000

Funding to allow the RGVDA to continue delivering presentations, via several social platforms, on the following topics: "HealthCare at Its Best" and "Cooking with the Stars", to residents of the Rio Grande Valley.



### South Texas Juvenile Diabetes Association \$84,250

Requested funds will serve to continue to support STJDA operations and projects that serve children living with diabetes and their families, in the Mid-Valley.



### Su Casa De Esperanza \$55,718

Request will enable staff to continue to deliver services, as well as include educational videos to parents during this difficult time where COVID continues to be a barrier for the families that Su Casa serves.



### Texas A & M Foundation \$99,990

The goal of this study is to assess the benefits associated with the delivery of Diabetes Care Collaborative Program (DCCM) telehealth services by pharmacists and RDs under the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions.



**Tropical Texas Behavioral Health \$100,000**

The proposed program will allow TTBH to remotely monitoring a patient’s blood sugar via a web application. Patients included in this program have Severe Mental Illness (SMI) and diabetes.



**The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley \$95,000**

The goal of the project is to improve the health of Mid-Valley residents through targeted outreach utilizing the UniMóvil mobile clinic that can reach all Mid-Valley areas.



**Valley Nature Center \$50,000**

Request to continue providing both virtual and onsite programs to participants, as safely as possible, through the camp programs.



**It’s Time Texas – UCD Health Connect \$110,000**

Request to continue the UCD Health Connect platform that will share critical data on diabetes throughout the RGV.



**Knapp Medical Center – Indigent Healthcare Agreement & Additional Hospital Support \$3,000,000.00**

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**2019 EMERGENCY Grant Recipients**



**Access Esperanza Clinics, Inc. \$15,000**

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), upgrade for audio/visual equipment for communications, staff meetings and trainings.



**Amigos Del Valle \$15,000**

Purchase of a meal service tracking software to facilitate managing reservations, delivery confirmations, demographics, and roster of clients.



**Aurora House \$15,000**

COVID-19 testing for staff, sanitation supplies and equipment and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).



**Dentists Who Care \$15,000**

To support general operations of the organization.



**Food Bank of the Rio Grande Valley \$14,952**

Request for food expenses and decontamination stations, to include UV lights for sanitization purposes.





**Holy Family Services, Inc. \$15,000**

To create a hardship fund for clients, provide grief counseling and support for general operations.



**EL Milagro Clinic \$13,000**

Funding to support the cost of an armed security officer that will ensure safety and order during COVID-19 testing; additionally, to support costs for sanitation/cleaning supplies for the clinic.



**MHP Salud \$14,995**

Funding to purchase health and safety kits (reusable masks, wipes, hand sanitizer, etc) for Mid-Valley community residents.



**Prevent Blindness Texas \$7,500**

Request for telehealth eye healthcare personnel, Treatment Fund and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).



**South Texas Juvenile Diabetes Association \$15,000**

Request for personnel and general operations of the organization.



**Special Olympics Texas \$13,564**

Request for Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for the athletes with intellectual disabilities population in the Mid-Valley/Rio Grande Valley.



**Su Casa De Esperanza \$15,000**

Request to upgrade technology to enable Su Casa to continue to provide services during the pandemic, and to purchase program supplies.



**Team MARIO \$15,000.00**

Request for Operations, Virtual Training, Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and cleaning/sanitation supplies,



**Valley Nature Center \$15,000**

Request for personnel and general office expenses and Meal program for Mid-Valley residents.

**2019 Grant Recipients**



**County of Hidalgo – Pct. #1 \$150,000**

To enhance and develop Sunrise Hill Park, a park located in a remote and unincorporated area of Hidalgo County, by adding an all-inclusive playground and playground surface, accessible exercise equipment and a walking trail.



### **IDEA Public Schools \$100,000**

To enhance Healthy Kids Here Project by adding a Farm to School Learning Hub in IDEA Elsa campus; a one-day training for surrounding school districts (Mercedes/Progreso); an immersive student artwork exhibit (Baylor’s Collaborative on Hunger & Poverty).



### **Prevent Blindness Texas \$27,502**

To integrate and expand services to medically underserved adults in the Mid-Valley; services such as: early detection (distance/near visual acuity screening), risk assessment, retinal screenings, eye health education, and navigation services for eye care services.



### **South Texas Juvenile Diabetes Association \$50,000**

To continue expanding diabetes services to Mid-Valley families through the annual one-week residential camp in La Feria (Mid-Valley), provide a youth & young adult leadership training, increase specialized food pantry allocation and expand community garden.



### **Special Olympics Texas \$15,000**

To conduct an obesity and diabetes screening study, in collaboration with UTRGV, of their special population, which includes children and adults with Intellectual Disabilities (ID).



### **Su Casa De Esperanza \$60,000**

To install new playground equipment and assist in furnishing a new building, acquired through the assistance of Meadows Foundation. Additionally, funding will support Su Casa programs.



### **Valley Nature Center \$70,000**

To provide summer camps to children. The camps are specific to children with special needs (Autism, Diabetes, Down Syndrome, Intellectual Disorders), age based camps, robotics camp and forensics camp. Camps include nutritious breakfasts, lunches, and snacks.



### **Knapp Medical Center – Indigent Healthcare Agreement & Additional Hospital Support \$3,000,000**

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## **2018 Non-Profit Organizational Capacity Recipients**



### **Holy Family Services, Inc. \$76,083**

Funding for an Organizational Capacity Assessment, and to address top needs identified: Marketing Strategy, Billing Specialist, Board Development



### **South Texas Juvenile Diabetes Association \$41,083**

Funding for an Organizational Capacity Assessment, and to address top needs identified: Organizational & Operational Planning, Staffing and Volunteer Audit, Succession Planning



### **Special Olympics \$31,083**

Funding for an Organizational Capacity Assessment, and to address top needs identified: Fund development planning and individual coaching and mentoring



### **Su Casa De Esperanza \$51,083**

Funding for an Organizational Capacity Assessment, and to address top needs identified: Board development, Culture of Philanthropy, Maximize “Su Casa” story



### **Valley Nature Center \$36,083**

Funding for an Organizational Capacity Assessment, and to address top needs identified: Board development and technology needs

## **2018 Grant Recipients**



### **Weslaco Museum \$5,750**

To support the 100<sup>th</sup> health celebration of the City of Weslaco



### **Dentists Who Care \$180,000**

To provide dental services to uninsured children and adults in the Mid-Valley, specifically concentrating on those with or at-risk of diabetes.



### **Holy Family Services \$45,000**

To lower gestational diabetes rates in the Mid-Valley through prevention, nutrition education and educational classes that increase knowledge of the dangers in women at-risk in the Mid-Valley.



### **Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute \$159,233**

To integrate mental health content into the GLB program, a 1 year curriculum designed for individuals at-risk for developing Type II diabetes.



### **Special Olympics, TX, Inc. \$25,922**

To enhance a year-round athletic training and competition to athletes with intellectual disabilities in the Mid-Valley, as well as support the year-round program through collaboration with Mid-Valley schools.



### **Team MARIO \$99,020**

To address the “autism tsunami” of overweight issues teenagers and young adults face as they transition into adulthood, and to continue to bring autism awareness to the Mid-Valley communities.



### **Texas A & M University Health Science Center \$370,666**

To address diabetes and obesity in the Mid-Valley by developing and implementing a culturally appropriate diabetes education curriculum for children/youth by including the family as a whole, and to introduce lifestyle interventions which include exercise and nutrition.





### **UT Health Science Center @ Houston \$450,344**

To enhance the shared measurement system platform (UCD Health Connect) to the next level by expanding the broad scale level use of the quality data currently housed in the UCD system.



### **Knapp Medical Center – Indigent Healthcare Agreement & Additional Hospital Support \$3,000,000**

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## **2017 Grant Recipients**



### **Access Esperanza Clinics, Inc. \$257,100**

Access Esperanza will provide screenings, education, and support to young adults who are at high-risk for diabetes.

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### **The Boys and Girls Club of Weslaco, Inc. \$60,000**

The program emphasizes regular physical activity and proper nutrition in order to combat childhood obesity at the Rico Elementary in Weslaco.



### **City of Weslaco \$250,000**

The City of Weslaco will transform forty (40) plus acres of open green space, located on Mile 11, into a community park.



### **Dentists Who Care \$165,000**

To provide dental services to uninsured children and adults in the Mid-Valley.



### **El Milagro Clinic \$400,000**

El Milagro will implement a patient-centered holistic approach for diabetes education, lifestyle changes, self-management and social support to positively impact the health of pre-diabetic and diabetic participants via their Diabetes Reduction, Education & Awareness in the Mid-Valley (DREAM) program.



### **Food Bank of the Rio Grande Valley \$60,036**

The Food Bank of the RGV will combine their food relief and health education program with a Diabetes Prevention Program in Mid-Valley colonias.



### **South Texas College \$50,000**

STC's ADN and LVN students, in partnership with local independent school districts, will guide local high school students into healthier lifestyles through diabetes and obesity prevention.



### **South Texas Juvenile Diabetes Association \$103,500**

STJDA will expand their diabetes programs and services to families and communities into the Mid-Valley.



### **Su Casa De Esperanza \$51,693**

Su Casa will integrate the HealthFit for Life nutrition education and physical activity into their existing program to reduce/prevent diabetes and obesity within the colonia population.



### **Texas A & M University Health Science Center School of Public Health \$349,640**

TAMU will design a culturally competent outreach program for women of reproductive age (15-44) in the Mid-Valley area which includes community needs assessment among women of reproductive age.



### **The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston \$20,000**

Through several partners, including Unidos Contra la Diabetes (UCD), UT Houston will address important health challenges in the Rio Grande Valley (RGV) by developing an online electronic data platform.



### **The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley \$1,989,727**

UTRGV will characterize the genetic and environmental determinants of risk for diabetes, obesity, and the related disorders of heart disease and fatty liver disease via the Screening High-Risk Families for Diabetes to Establish a Genomic Research Center project.



### **Valley Nature Center \$100,000**

Valley Nature Center will provide summer camps to children of all ages as well as children with special needs; camps include nutritious breakfasts, lunches, and snacks.



### **City of Weslaco \$200,000**

The City of Weslaco re-developed the Isaac Rodriguez Park by constructing a walking/jogging trail, improving the skateboard section, and including a nine-hole disc golf for use by the community.



### **Knapp Medical Center – Indigent Healthcare Agreement & Additional Hospital Support \$3,000,000**

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## **2016 Grant Recipients**



### **Knapp Medical Center – Indigent Healthcare Agreement and additional hospital support \$3,000,000**

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## **2015 Grant Recipients**



### **Valley Nature Center \$28,750**

Valley Nature Center held three (3) week long camp sessions for children with special needs: Autism, Down Syndrome, and Diabetes.



### **City of Mercedes \$500,000**

A collaborative of several funders enabled the city to build a Community/Sports park around a Safe Room/Community Center in the Mercedes area to create a "wellness and prevention through exercise" project.



### **Easter Seals RGV \$182,563**

The Parents as Teachers (PAT) is a preventative program designed to recognize early detection developmental delays and health issues in children under kindergarten age.



### **IDEA Academy \$115,000.00**

Introduced and reinforced healthy lifestyle choices, Health Kids Here Project, in school age children by providing alternatives to food rewards, changes to menus, and revitalizing the physical education program.



### **Nuestra Clinica Del Valle \$345,000**

NCDV implemented a Type II Diabetes prevention program to target pre-diabetic adults at high-risk of developing diabetes, and enroll them into an exercise program for 16 weeks.



### **South Texas Juvenile Diabetes Association \$11,500.00**

STJDA implemented a diabetes education and awareness program, STOMP Out Diabetes, in the Edcouch/Elsa, Donna and Weslaco ISD's. which included week-long education sessions to students



### **Team MARIO \$65,021.00**

Team MARIO provided social skill events for children with Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) in small groups via Project PLAY.



### **Texas A&M Health Science Center \$374,042**

An evidenced-based asthma education and outreach program in collaboration with several partners, which included an intervention component that taught parents how to identify asthma signs and symptoms, triggers in the home, and ways to mitigate an asthma attack.



### **Texas A&M Health Science Center \$342,127**

A program to reduce obesity and prevent type II diabetes in Mid-Valley colonia residents by engaging neighborhood groups of 10 women each in 8 weeks of participatory health education and activities.



### **Tropical Texas Behavioral Health \$471,000**

The Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) program provides treatment, rehabilitation, and support services to patients with serious mental illnesses.



**Tropical Texas Behavioral Health \$40,000**

The Mobile Crisis Outreach Team (MCOT) unit provides prompt face-to-face crisis assessment, crisis intervention services, and crisis follow-up and relapse prevention services in mid-valley communities.



**Tropical Texas Behavioral Health \$7,500**

An educational conference, Mindscape: Behavioral Health Today, for the mental health & social service community.



**University of Texas Pan American (UTPA) Foundation \$50,000**

An “obesity and diabetes prevention through nutrition education” program, Creating Healthy Eating Choices for Kids (CHECK Project), held in the Delta area and involved students planting above ground fruit/vegetable gardens to extend their connection to food sources.



**Women Together Foundation/Mujeres Unidas \$65,281**

Women Together/Mujeres Unidas conducted a program on healthy relationships and attitudes to children and teens within the Weslaco ISD.



**Knapp Medical Center – Indigent Healthcare Agreement and additional hospital support \$3,500,000**

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**2014 Grant Recipients**



**Aurora House \$135,669**

Aurora House, a special care facility for end-of-life care, provided nursing professionals and other health care professionals with palliative care training and education through instruction and seminars.



**Boys & Girls Club of Weslaco, Inc. \$63,250**

The B&G Club implemented the Triple Play/Healthy Habits program, that teaches students overall nutrition knowledge, how to make positive food choices and the importance of exercise.



**Knapp Medical Center \$900,000**

Knapp Medical Center will develop and operate a family medicine residency program in Weslaco in an effort to increase access to primary care by recruiting and training physicians, (Weslaco Family Practice Residency Program).



**Little League Baseball, Inc. Weslaco \$33,977**

Weslaco Little League addressed health and wellness through physical activity to local youth, as well as updating much needed equipment.



### **Su Casa De Esperanza \$61,583**

Su Casa De Esperanza expanded their programs, “Becoming a Mom” and “My Nine Months” to promote healthy pregnancies and address the prevention of premature births during the prenatal period to colonia residents.



### **Weslaco Softball Baseball \$47,970**

Year-long participation in both girls' softball and boys' baseball, by equipping the organization with much needed equipment and supplies, as well as lawn.



### **Knapp Medical Center – Indigent Healthcare Agreement and Additional Hospital Support \$3,400,000**

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