

2019 Community United Methodist Church Craft Show distributions

Children's Grove, Columbia

To spread the power of kindness, respect and inclusivity through education and books, the arts and visual reminders. An all-volunteer organization they also work throughout Boone County to address mental health issues facing our youth.

Columbia Square Reading Program

Phoenix Family at Columbia Square Apartments helps empower low-income families with assistance they need to move up and out of poverty. There is a preschool program for parents and their children and also an after-school program serving 28-29 students. Many students have reached their grade levels in reading and some have even jumped grade levels. Many activities are involved and these funds will assist in these programs.

Project Transformation, Nashville, Tenn.

Project Transformation focuses on the three "Cs" – children from low income neighborhoods improve their literacy, social-emotional and spiritual development through participating in high quality, out-of-school time programs led by college-age young adults. College students invest in the lives of underserved children while living in community, exploring their calling, and developing as servant leaders. Churches in underserved communities host out-of-school time programs, reconnecting and building relationships with their neighbors.

Native American Children's Fund, United Methodist Church Oklahoma Annual Conference

Assists 250-300 school age children with school needs such as clothing at the beginning of the year, graduation expenses and other supplies. The small churches in this area try to provide these things but incomes are low. The fund also assists Native American churches with resources for Vacation Bible School.

Women United for Life Scholarship Program, La Esperanza, Guatemala

This fair trade craft group of women were left with no husbands, fathers, grandfathers, brothers or uncles after the 36-year civil war. In 25 years with assistance from many people they now operate their craft business from a four-story building which also houses a K-6 Montessori School, a bakery, a soy milk factory and provides some health care and medicine. Not only do they assist the 150 women and their families involved in craft making, they also serve the community of LaEsperanza on the outskirts of Guatemala City. Scholarship are \$54 a year, so this money will assist many children.

Carolyn Belshe Orphanage Center, Mozambique

To provide all necessary care for more than 60 children. They are trained in sustainable agriculture and are also preparing for future leaders in their communities. Through scholarships for all qualified children they hope to prepare a brighter future for these students.

Rainbow Network for children in Santa Carmela and Casa Blanco, Nicaragua

The Rainbow Network continues their work in Nicaragua with schools, feeding stations, medical care and small loans. We asked for this donation to be used to further children's education.