North Texas Giving Day:
$75,000 Match to Fight Hunger & Poverty

September 21 is North Texas Giving Day (NTXGD) and Arlington Charities counts on funds raised through this event to carry out our critical mission of fighting hunger and poverty in the community. The need for funding is dire.

Many assume that the food we distribute is donated from larger food banks, community groups and more. Unfortunately, this is not the case. Although Arlington Charities receives much donated food through generous partnerships and/or favorable priced food from TAFB, almost half of food distributed is purchased through food brokers, the same brokers used by national grocers.

Arlington Charities is on track to spend over $250,000 in 2023 on food — the highest amount in our 45-year history as Arlington’s oldest social services organization. We are serving up to 140 families each day through our drive-through food service, and are providing additional services through our Tarrant County College Southeast satellite pantry, home delivery to seniors & home-bound, three monthly recurring mobile markets, mobile market truck and providing lunch and shelf-stable snacks for our unhoused neighbors.

This year, a generous donor is providing a $75,000 matching gift towards the funds we raise. In addition to the match, there are opportunities to make a greater impact through special contests (see below).

Please help us make a difference in so many lives: Support Arlington Charities on North Texas Giving Day, September 21.

Above: The distribution line at one of our three monthly Mobile Food Market helps 300 to 400 families with fresh groceries.
In April-June ...

589,921
Pounds of Food Were Distributed

878
Grocery Deliveries Were Made to older adults and homebound

1238
AISD kids received books this summer at Read & Feed

Your gifts help us continue the fight against hunger and poverty in our community. Thank you!

Giving Machine: Coming to North Texas

What if meaningful giving were as easy as buying a candy bar? Arlington Charities is thrilled to be selected as one of 8 local and 2 global charitable organizations as beneficiaries of The Giving Machine. The Giving Machine is a national effort organized by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Instead of buying a candy bar or soda, you can donate essential items such as clothing, medicine, food, even livestock and more to local charities. The machine includes cards representing items requested by each organization and supporters can review items available in a variety of dollar amounts and select what to purchase by using a credit/debit card. After the purchase is complete, the cards drop into a sealed collection bin.

The Giving Machine will travel to various locations throughout the metroplex during the 2023 holiday season. Please visit Giving Machine DFW Facebook page to learn more.

Pictured above: The Giving Machine allows supporters to make gifts to worthy causes.

Locations & Dates
Sundance Square: 12/5-12/7
Grapevine Main Street: 12/9-12/17
McKinney Town Square: 12/19-1/01

Read & Feed Recap

This Summer’s Read & Feed program sponsored by Atmos Energy was a wonderful way to help fight the summer learning slump, and provided bags full of nutritious snacks and books to school-age students! Mayor Ross stopped by to join in on the fun! Thank you to everyone who helped us with this meaningful endeavor. 1,238 books were distributed along with the snack bags. Students look forward to it every year!

Arlington Mayor Jim Ross helped AISD kids choose books during the Read & Feed Program in July.

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Volunteer Spotlight

GM Financial • Amegy Bank • Dutch Bros

Arlington Charities could not carry out its mission of fighting hunger and poverty in the community without volunteers!

Thank you to the teams of GM Financial, Amegy Bank and Dutch Bros who sent out their teams this summer!

Get Involved

Are you interested in bringing out your group to volunteer? Please contact: catherine@arlingtoncharities.org
Groups and individuals welcome — and needed!

Community Partners: We’re in this Together

Allied Federal Credit Union

Thank you to Allied Federal Credit Union and their team for supporting Arlington Charities through a food drive & fundraiser.

Moncrief Cancer Institute’s Mobile Screening Clinic visited Arlington Charities and made life-saving cancer screening services accessible to our community.

PNC Mobile Branch Unit

will soon begin making regular visits to Arlington Charities. Their focus is to build relationships with under-banked communities in addition to offering financial education.

GM Financial volunteers helped on the distribution line and sorted fresh produce.

Amegy Bank volunteers sorted produce and helped on the distribution line along with our board members and regular volunteers.

The volunteers from Dutch Bros. loaded car trunks with groceries and helped our school-aged clients choose a book during Read & Feed.

Thank you to all our volunteers — your giving spirit really does make a difference!
James H. is a former home-delivery client.

We were able to help him when he needed us, and now he shares his success story.

Client Story: James H.

“Arlington Charities gave me just what I needed to survive. The food was nutritious, and it was hard but going without food was even harder. The care and it was like a domino effect. The staff was so nice. The delivery driver had a follow-up letter. Everyone from the case manager to the delivery driver to the people who went to my home were so encouraging. The food was great especially when I was sent the做给我看 how to make a cake. But more than just food, the staff was great. They really understood what I was going through. Everyone has shown me that it’s not just about the food, but that they really care about me. I don’t know how I would have survived without Arlington Charities.”

James had been without steady work for over a year since the unemployment insurance systems before the COVID-19 pandemic went a long way. Oh my gosh especially when I was sent the follow-up letter. Everyone from the case manager to the delivery driver to the people who went to my home were so encouraging. The food was great especially when I was sent the recipe for making a cake. But more than just food, the staff was great. They really understood what I was going through. Everyone has shown me that it’s not just about the food, but that they really care about me. I don’t know how I would have survived without Arlington Charities.”