



# The Caring Place

Helping neighbors in need since 1985

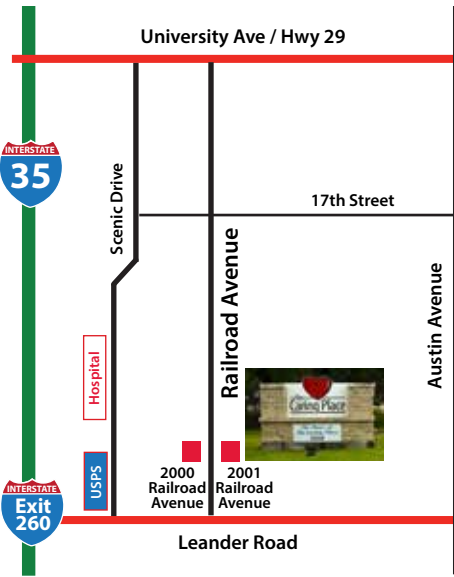
**Client Services Offices**  
 Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
 (Financial assistance starts at 8:30 a.m.)  
 Open Thursday until 6:00 p.m.

**Donation Drop-Off Area**  
 Monday – Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

*The Shops at The Caring Place*  
 Monday – Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
 Open until 7:00 p.m. on Thursday

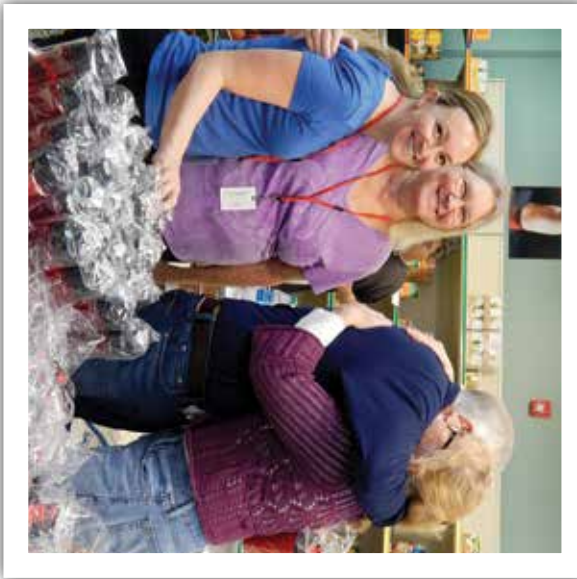
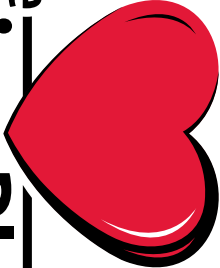


Our courtesy truck will pick up your larger item donations to be sold in our thrift store. To schedule a pick-up, please call our donation line at 512-943-0711 and leave a message for our Donations Coordinator. Your call will be returned within 24 hours. Please allow at least one week of advance notice when you call to schedule your pick-up.



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**2016 REPORT  
 TO THE  
 COMMUNITY**  
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# Year in Review

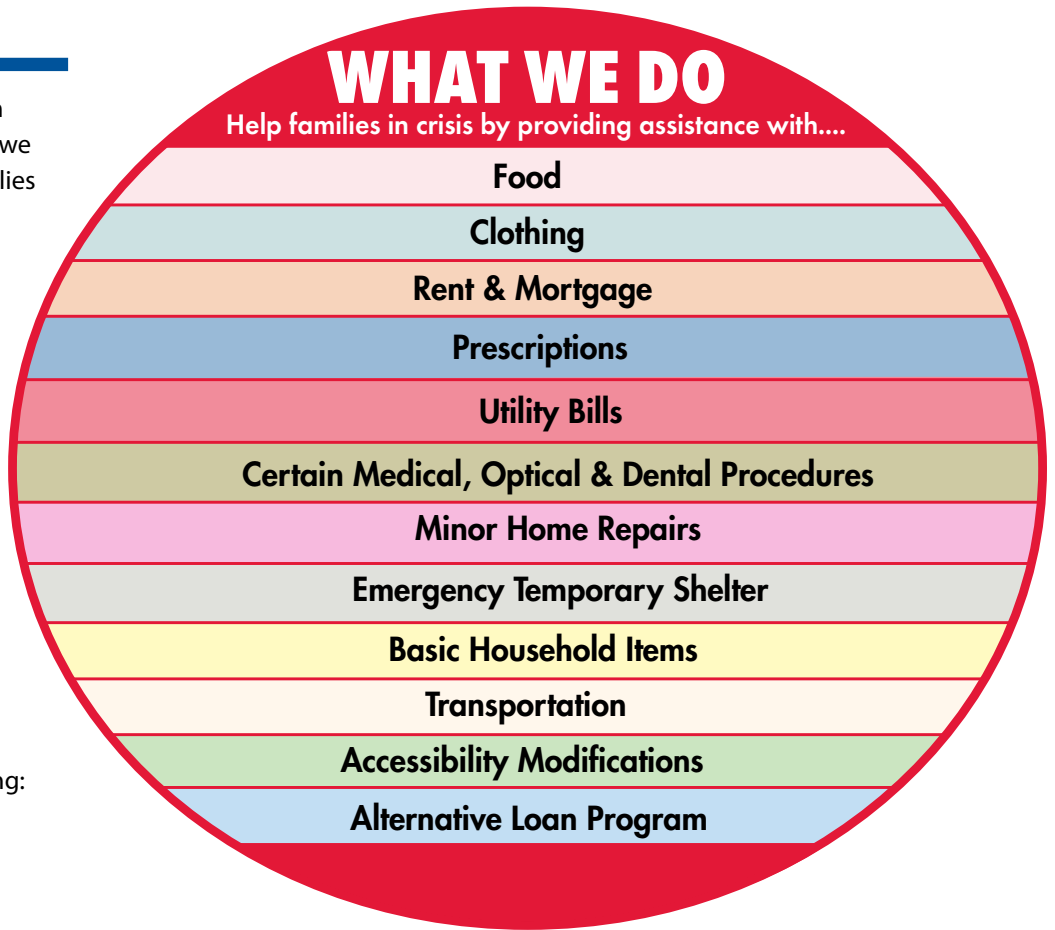
We were very busy at The Caring Place in 2016. We served 21% more people than we did in 2015 and the number of new families to The Caring Place grew by 14%! Our Food Pantry was also very busy, breaking records for the most people served in one month.

We believe there are several reasons for the growing number of families seeking help from The Caring Place. Last year, we undertook a broader community outreach effort which resulted in more people learning about our services. This, in addition to the growth rate in Williamson County, made for increased service delivery across the organization.

2016 was also a year of recognition for all who support The Caring Place. We received 4 distinguished awards including:

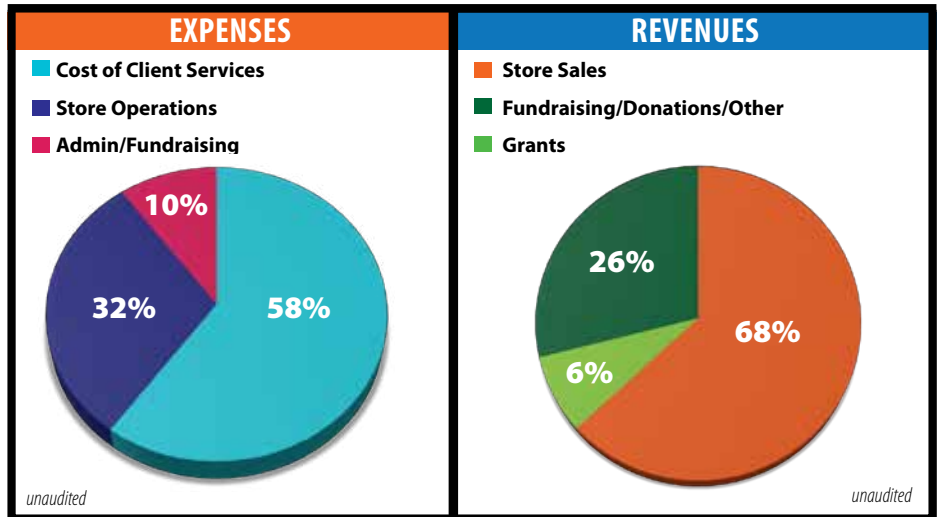
- **United Way of Williamson County Partner of the Year**
- **Best Place to Volunteer/Give in Georgetown for the 6th year in a row**
- **Charity Navigator Award**
- **Central Texas Food Bank Platinum Designation**

We know these awards really belong to the people who volunteer, donate, work for or otherwise support The Caring Place. Thank you for making it another great year for The Caring Place and those we serve.












# Who We Serve

We assist residents of Georgetown, Andice, Bartlett, Florence, Granger, Jarrell, Jonah, Schwertner, Walburg, Weir, and the portion of Hutto that lies within the Georgetown Independent School District.



# How You Helped in 2016

Through the generous support of our community, we:

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|---|---|--|
| <br><b>\$419,253</b> | <br><b>\$218,957</b> | <br><b>\$55,308</b> |
| Assisted 2,359 people with Rent/Mortgage  | Helped 2,675 people pay their utility bills   | Purchased food for our Food Pantry (numbers served below)  |
| <br><b>\$20,043</b>  | <br><b>\$78,226</b>  | <br><b>\$28,720</b> |
| Facilitated Emergency Transportation for 721 people   | Provided 482 people with resources for Medical Assistance   | Provided 1,436 Coats for Kids  |
| <br><b>\$4,972</b>   | <br><b>\$16,470</b>  | <br><b>\$8,612</b>  |
| Provided Special Services for individuals   | Aided 2,582 people by providing HEB Holiday Meal Cards  | Helped 87 clients with shelter   |
| <b>Total Cost of Direct Financial Support to Clients \$850,561</b>                                    |   |  |

## We are also thankful for the non-financial support we were able to provide because of your generous donations:

**17,977 visits** to our Food Pantry totaling **629,195 pounds** of food **\$1,069,633**

Provided clothing and housewares helping **3,772 people** **\$125,096**

**307 fans** provided through the Family Eldercare Fan Drive comforting **141 families**

**187,853 pounds** of fresh produce impacting **15,460 people** through Fresh Food For Families

**228 people** received supplemental groceries once a month through HOPE (*Healthy Options Program for the Elderly*) totaling **22,177 pounds**

**75,602 pounds** of bread and other baked goods distributed through Our Daily Bread

**\*Value of Non-Financial Support \$ 1,194,729**

**Total Resources Provided \$2,045,290**

\*The total above does not include the value of food distributed through HOPE, Fresh Food For Families and Our Daily Bread as we cannot assign a value to the donated food received from the Central Texas Food Bank and H-E-B. Similarly, we cannot assign a value to the fans received from Family Eldercare.

## The Important Role of Our Volunteers

Volunteers are critical to our success as an organization helping people in crisis. In 2016, 499 dedicated and committed volunteers served our community by giving 53,652 hours of service, which is equivalent to 26 full time employees, valued at \$1,264,041. In addition, community service volunteers provided a total of 8,266 hours which is equivalent to an additional 4 employees. Various schools, churches, organizations and businesses in Williamson County also donated their time and talent to help The Caring Place.

Each year, The Caring Place recognizes outstanding volunteers. While all of our volunteers are extraordinary, the following volunteers received special recognition in 2016 for their service in 2015:

Lucile Byerley, Gary DeRemer and Sue Moore received the **Doris Krohmer Memorial Service Award** for consistently exceeding expectations, embodying the spirit of Doris Krohmer, a visionary volunteer leader who demonstrated empathy and compassion.

Marilyn Bergen, the Cashier Team, Gerry Carolan, Pet and Mike Clark, Bill Dalton, and Nell SanGregorio received **The Caring Heart Award** for demonstrating excellence that exceeded a client's, customer's or peer's expectations.

Volunteer recruitment is a high priority for The Caring Place and word of mouth is our best advertising. Come join us and bring a friend! In addition to making new friends, **you can learn new skills and contribute something meaningful to our community with your time and talents.** To learn more about The Caring Place, please contact the Community Engagement Office at 512-943-0702.

## A Closer Look at Our Food Programs

During 2016, The Caring Place distributed **914,827 pounds (457 tons)** of food to area families through four food programs. Utilizing the conversion formula provided by the Central Texas Food Bank in Austin of 1.2 pounds of food equaling one meal, The Caring Place provided 762,356 meals to area families in 2016.

**THE FOOD PANTRY:** Qualifying individuals and families may receive 10 days of food once a month.

**OUR DAILY BREAD:** Day-old bread and pastries are donated daily from H-E-B, delivered to The Caring Place by our dedicated volunteers.

**FRESH FOOD FOR FAMILIES:** Through our partnership with the Central Texas Food Bank (CTFB) in Austin, fresh fruits and vegetables are provided to The Caring Place for distribution to area families on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Mondays of the month.

**HOPE (Healthy Options Program for the Elderly):** This program is available to low income individuals age 55 and over. Eligible older adults receive supplemental food once per month.

## Where Our Funding Comes From



In 2016, **\$1,667,282** of our funding came from the sale of donated, gently used and new items in our thrift store, which equals 68% of our total revenues received. The revenue generated from our thrift store, *The Shops at The Caring Place*, covers all of the operating costs

associated with running the organization. This ensures that 100% of all financial donations to The Caring Place go directly to help area families in need.

**2016-2017  
Board of Directors**

**Officers**

Barry Haag, *President*  
 Stephen Benold, *Vice President*  
 Jim Wayland, *Secretary*  
 Todd Holubec, *Treasurer*  
 Karen Simcik, *At-Large*  
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**Directors**

Scott Alarcón  
 Larry Baird  
 Brian Burkhart  
 Gary DeRemer  
 Linda Gusnowski  
 Tim Harris  
 Harriett Jones  
 Paul Jordan  
 Holly Stevens

**2016  
Membership Council Organizations**

The Caring Place was formed in 1985 because of the work of 11 local churches coming together with a common cause under the unifying umbrella of the Georgetown Ministerial Alliance. Today, 37 churches and organizations collectively comprise The Caring Place Advisory Council:

American Association of University Women  
 Celebration Church  
 Christ Lutheran Church  
 Christ Presbyterian Church  
 Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints  
 Church of the Nazarene  
 Congregation Havurah Shalom of Sun City  
 Crestview Baptist Church  
 Faith Lutheran Church  
 First Baptist Church  
 First Presbyterian Church  
 First Texas Bank  
 First United Methodist Church  
 Georgetown Evening Lions Club  
 Georgetown Seventh Day Adventist Church  
 Grace Episcopal Church  
 Hill Country Bible Church  
 Hope United Church  
 Kiwanis Club of Sun City

Macedonia Baptist Church  
 Main Street Baptist Church  
 Round Rock Christian Church  
 San Gabriel Presbyterian Church  
 Santa Rosa de Lima Catholic Church  
 San Gabriel Unitarian Universalist Fellowship  
 Saving Grace Christian Bible Fellowship  
 Sertoma Club  
 Sts. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church  
 St. Helen Catholic Church  
 St. John's United Methodist Church  
 St. Paul United Methodist Church  
 St. Peter Lutheran Church  
 Terranova  
 Unity Church of Georgetown  
 Wellspring United Methodist Church  
 The Worship Place  
 Zion Lutheran Church

**Thank You!!!**

We are honored to have been voted

**Best Place to Volunteer/Give**

for the  
*Best of Georgetown*  
 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014,  
 2015 and 2016



There are many ways you can help The Caring Place so we can do more great things together for our neighbors in need.

**REFER A PERSON IN NEED**

**SHOP AT OUR STORE**

**SHARE YOUR TIME AND TALENT**  
 Volunteer with The Caring Place.

**SHARE YOUR STUFF**

You may drop off your gently used and unwanted items Monday through Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., or call 512-943-0711 for a pick-up of your larger items.

**SHARE YOUR TREASURE**

Make a financial contribution, 100% of which will be used to help our neighbors in need.

**SHARE IN OUR FUTURE**

Consider a gift of cash, stocks and securities, land, or other financial instruments through your will or estate. We can arrange for a certified financial planner to visit with you at no cost or obligation.

**HOWEVER YOU CHOOSE TO HELP....THANK YOU!!!**

**WE COULDN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOU.**

**Vision Statement**

*The Caring Place is a local, faith-based non-profit organization that addresses the basic human needs of people within its service area, and collaborates with community partners to improve the quality of life of every client.*

**Mission Statement**

*Honoring its faith-based roots, The Caring Place serves the community as a welcoming and purposeful organization, responding to the basic human needs of people in Georgetown and rural Williamson County.*

