

Grateful!

Meet these overachievers who have greatly benefited from the programs and services provided by these 8 agencies!



Burkburnett Boys & Girls Club

The sister and brother team of Axel and Leo are some very special kids at the Club. Axel has been coming for about 3 years and Leo started when he was 5. Axel enjoys the playful banter between club members and staff as well as participating in all the activities offered at the club, especially playing in the Barbie Department and learning to code during the code-core program. Leo on the other hand is just happy to be there. He is content to play alone or with a group. He is super friendly and doesn't hesitate to include others. He is a whiz at video games, cartoons, and random bits of trivia. When he is overstimulated, he just puts on his special headphones and finds a quiet place to relax. A perfect plan for a child with autism. As you see there is something for all children at the Club.

Child Advocates (CASA)

Danna and Ken live in Montague County and were foster parents for 35 years, during which time they fostered 79 children! While no longer fostering, they continue to serve children who have been removed from their homes as CASA volunteers. When they became CASA's 5 years ago, they later became involved as faithful board members. Both remain active in their own community with Ken serving on the Child Welfare Board of Montague County, an important partner who shares in CASA's efforts on behalf of children. These two certainly have a servant's heart and are dedicated to serving abused and neglected children who cannot speak up for themselves.



The Arc of Wichita County

At 28 years of age, Grace decided to make a life changing move. She lived with her mom, but decided she wanted to live more independently. She has always been well loved and protected, as many individuals with intellectual and development disabilities are, but she was ready. On February 14, 2022 Grace let her wishes be known and proceeded under the Arc's independent living program which is designed to help people find their own limitations. She can now slowly chase her dreams and begin her own journey by "having the freedom to live my life my way and accept any challenges that may come." Spread your wings Grace!



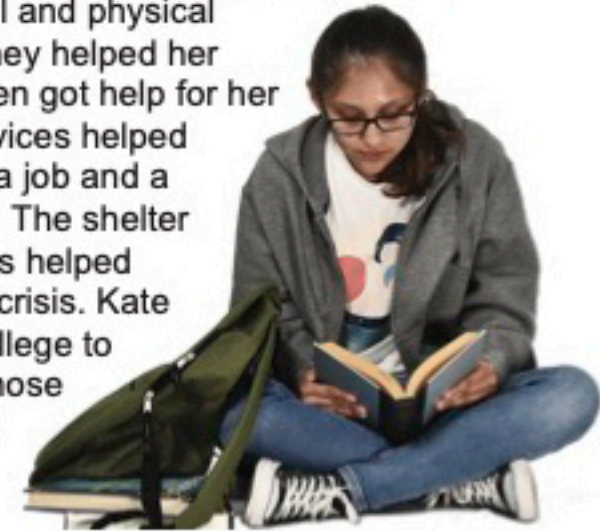
Camp Fire

Two days a week the Camp Fire van picks up children at City View and brings them to Harrel Park for their after-school program. Last year was Eliana's first year of participating in this program and she did not hesitate to get involved. She participated in the candy sale and was always eager to help both adults and children in any way. She also loves arts and crafts and won second place in her school's art contest. In her spare time, she and her mom volunteer in the City View community. Eliana is a perfect example of what Camp Fire teaches youth in our area. The future is bright for this young lady.



Children's Home and Teen Shelter

Life seemed normal for 16 year old Kate until her mom was laid off and they found themselves with no where to live. They moved from motel to motel until her mom decided to move in with an old boyfriend. Kate knew it was not a safe place for her and she turned to her school counselor for help. The counselor referred her to the Teen Shelter as she knew Kate would be safe there. She found mental and physical security there. They helped her find a job and even got help for her mom. Social Services helped Kate's mom find a job and a new place to live. The shelter and state services helped this family out of crisis. Kate wants to go to college to eventually help those who are facing a similar situation.



Boy Scouts of America

Braiden is an "over achiever"! When he finds something he enjoys he goes all in. At age 11 he earned his first Scout merit badge and was on his way to earn the 21 necessary as part of becoming an Eagle Scout. He also loved attending camps. He went to at least 4 states and attended merit college events at 4 universities. He became an Eagle Scout, but he also achieved the honor of being 1 in fewer than 500 Boy Scouts in history to earn all 137 merit badges right before his 18th birthday. He did not stop there! He joined the Order of the Arrow, Scouting's National Honor Society which opened many more doors for him. Braiden sees himself in scouting leadership roles for many years to come.

