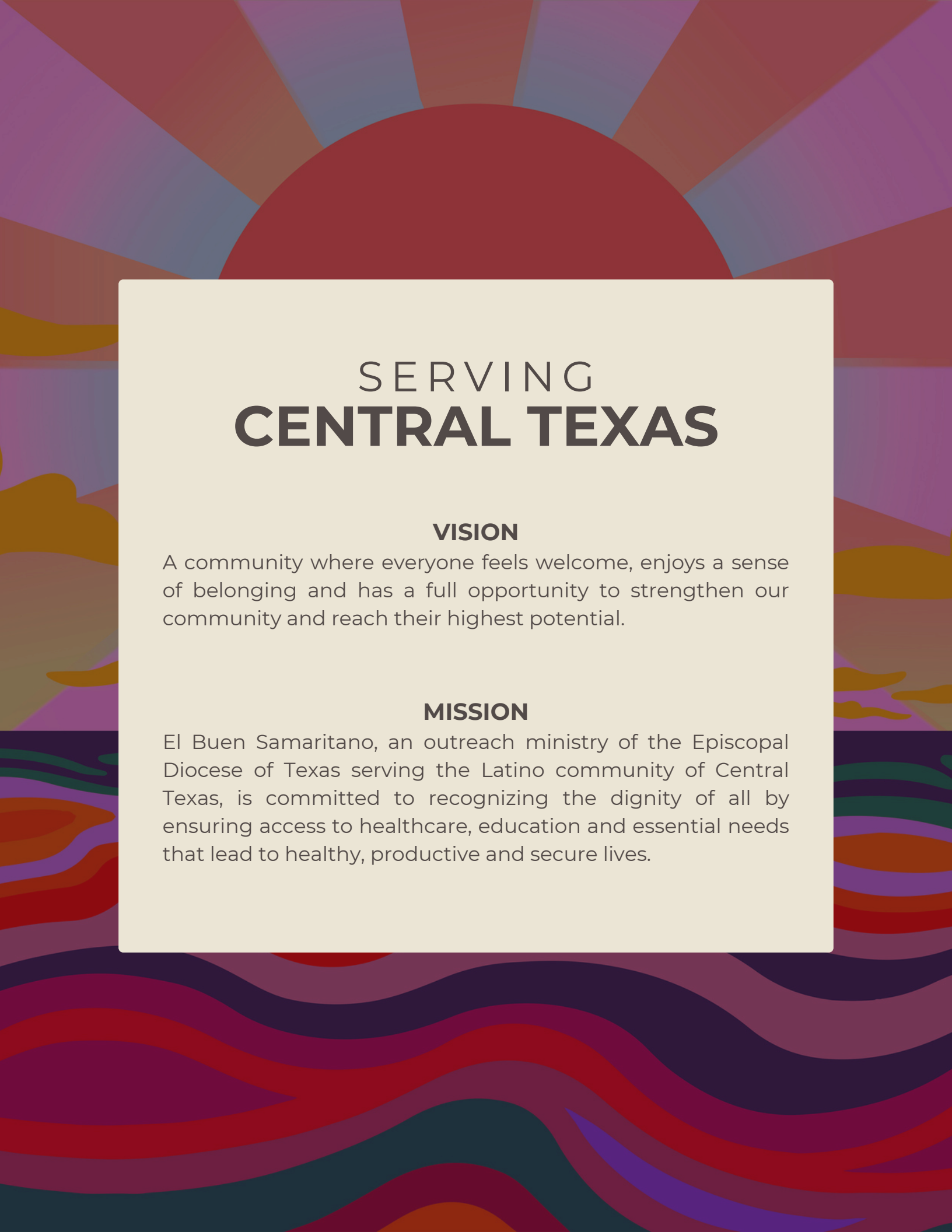


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2025 IMPACT REPORT





SERVING **CENTRAL TEXAS**

VISION

A community where everyone feels welcome, enjoys a sense of belonging and has a full opportunity to strengthen our community and reach their highest potential.

MISSION

El Buen Samaritano, an outreach ministry of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas serving the Latino community of Central Texas, is committed to recognizing the dignity of all by ensuring access to healthcare, education and essential needs that lead to healthy, productive and secure lives.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Rosamaria Murillo PhD, LMSW

Dear El Buen familia,

At El Buen Samaritano (El Buen), our work is rooted in a simple but powerful belief: every person deserves to feel welcome, experience a true sense of belonging, and have the opportunity to reach their highest potential. For 38 years, this vision has guided us as we have walked alongside families across Central Texas, responding to immediate needs while opening pathways to long-term opportunity.

As we enter our next chapter, we are called to think even more boldly. Guided by a five-year strategic plan grounded in a 35-year direction for generational transformation, El Buen is evolving to meet the changing needs of our community with conviction and clarity. We remain committed to what makes our work transformative: integrating essential services with education, skill-building, and leadership development to create real pathways to stability, mobility, and long-term success.

Our community is evolving, and so are we. El Buen is deepening investments in education and youth development, strengthening workforce pathways, and expanding access to healthcare through coordinated, community-centered approaches. At the same time, we are advancing systems-level work through collaboration and joint innovation, aligning resources and building more connected pathways for families to thrive.

Our long-term vision is centered on generational transformation. This means not only addressing immediate needs, but reshaping the conditions that drive health, education, and economic stability over time through sustained partnership and shared commitment.

El Buen has always been a place of belonging, shaped by the collective strength of our community. As we look ahead, we invite you to continue building alongside us. What we build together today will create generational transformation with ripple effects far beyond our lifetime.

Juntos, ¡Avanzando Futuros!
Con gratitud,



Dr. Rosamaria Murillo





IMPACT HIGHLIGHTS

October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025

38 Years Serving Central Texas

These results represent stronger pathways to stability, opportunity, and generational transformation for families across Central Texas.

FOOD ACCESS



32,768
Unique
Individuals

667,483
Pounds of Food
Distributed

49%
of clients were first-time
food pantry visitors

FINANCIAL AND RENTAL ASSISTANCE



4,359
Unique
Individuals

\$8,600,507
Direct Financial
Assistance to Clients

74%
Reported maintaining
stable housing continuously

HEALTH



1,222
Unique
Individuals

390
Reproductive education sessions

83%
Received access to birth control

300
Youth participating in
healthy choices conversations

83%
Closed loop referrals

ADULT EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE



623
Unique
Adults

497
ESL/Digital Literacy Students

92%
Improved ESL level

30
Certified
Community Health Workers

YOUTH ACADEMIC CENTER OF EXCELLENCE (ACE)



133
Unique
Youth

83%
Increased grades in
identified areas of
improvement

87%
Increased knowledge &
interest in at least
2 STEM areas

IMPACT HIGHLIGHTS

October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025

Nearly half of those served accessed El Buen for the first time, reflecting expanding reach and growing trust within community.



34,976

unduplicated individuals served across all programs.



The average household income for an El Buen client is **\$1,485** per month for a family of 4.



46%



41%



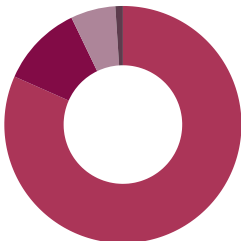
9,685

Unique Households

119

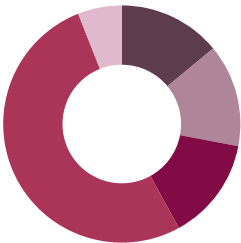
Unique Zipcodes

Clients by Race and Ethnicity



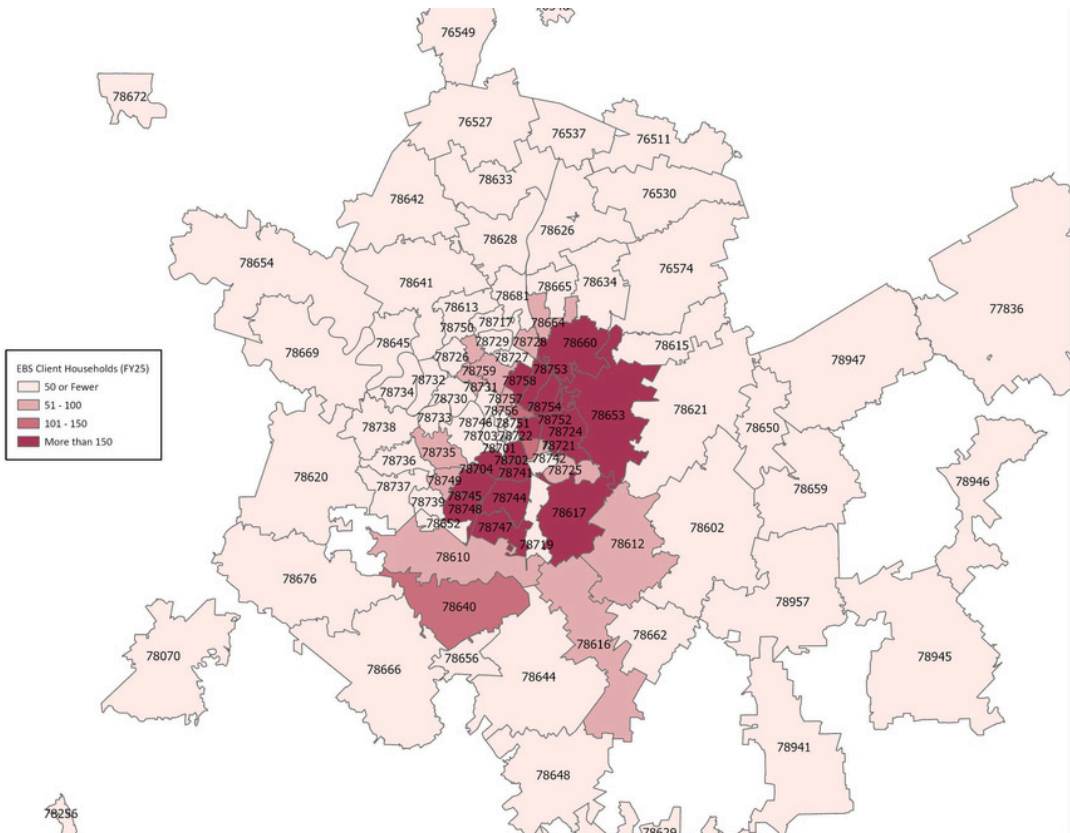
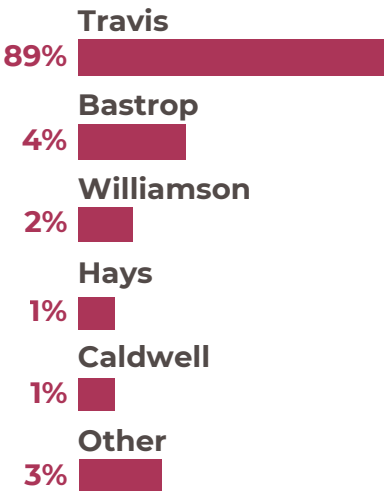
Hispanic or Latino	79%
Black or African American	11%
White	7%
Asian or Other	4%

Clients by Age



0 - 5 yrs	14%
6 - 11 yrs	14%
12 - 18 yrs	14%
19 - 59 yrs	52%
60+ yrs	6%

Counties Served



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THROUGH FOOD ACCESS



32,768
unique individuals



▶ **1,386 families**
(10,378 individuals) received gift cards for food

▶ **1,500 families**
(6,290 individuals) accessed holiday meal kits

▶ **22**
Partner Organizations that participated in gift card distribution



49%
of clients were first-time food pantry visitors

97%
of clients said El Buen's food access program was important to meet their family's nutritional needs

51%
of clients visited more than once during the year



32,768

Individuals received access to food through El Buen's drive-through pantry and mobile pantry sites



93

Families supported with benefits application assistance



85

Unique zip codes reached



667,483

Pounds of food distributed



500

Prepared meals distributed to youth during Spring break.



4

Mobile pantry locations



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THROUGH HEALTH

1,222
unique individuals

312 Middle School Students

participated in comprehensive, semester-long health education sessions focusing on whole-person health and wellbeing designed to:

- ▶ Build skills for decision-making, peer pressure navigation, and healthy relationships.
- ▶ Increase awareness of reproductive health, boundaries, and future planning.
- ▶ Empower youth to connect daily choices to long-term goals, self-worth, and life outcomes.



1,222

Unique individuals received health education, access to resources and closed-loop referrals



630

Unique individuals were vaccinated – resulting in the provision of routine adult and pediatric immunizations to uninsured individuals



177

Unique individuals were vaccinated for COVID-19

390

One-on-one reproductive health education sessions



83%

Received access to birth control



100%

Reported improved understanding of reproductive, family planning, or sexual healthcare

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THROUGH ADULT EDUCATION & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT



623
unique individuals



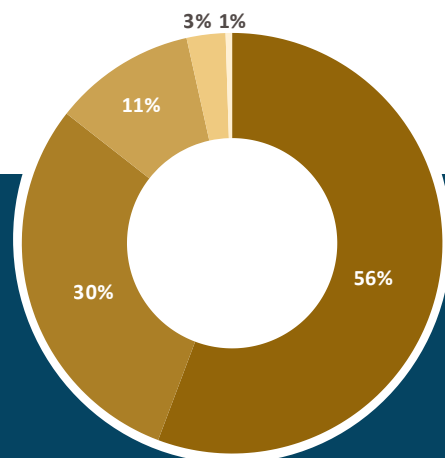
ADVANCING WORKFORCE PATHWAYS AND CAREER OPPORTUNITIES THROUGH COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER TRAINING & CERTIFICATION

200

Community Health Workers (CHWs) trained through our Continued Education Unit (CEU) Training Series, enhancing public health impact and community support

30

Unique adults completed the 160-hour Community Health Worker State Certification Program



454

Unique adults participated in English as a Second Language (ESL) classes



92%

ESL students improved their language literacy



43

Unique adults participated Digital Literacy classes



100%

of Digital Literacy students demonstrated improvements on their post-test

REASONS FOR ENROLLING IN ADULT EDUCATION:

- Employment Opportunities
- Personal Goals
- Education Advancement
- Support Child Educational Needs
- Legal/Medical Needs



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THROUGH YOUTH

133
unique individuals

ACADEMIC CENTER OF EXCELLENCE

Supporting critical thinking and fostering confidence and curiosity through hands on experience.

74%

Reported an increase in self-esteem

83%

Increased grades in identified areas of improvement

72%

Demonstrated improvement in prosocial behavior

87%

Increased knowledge & interest in at least 2 STEM areas



62

Unique youth from 1st - 8th grade participated in After-School Academic Support



120

Unique youth participated in STEAM Summer Camp



17%

Of youth have a caregiver enrolled in adult education classes

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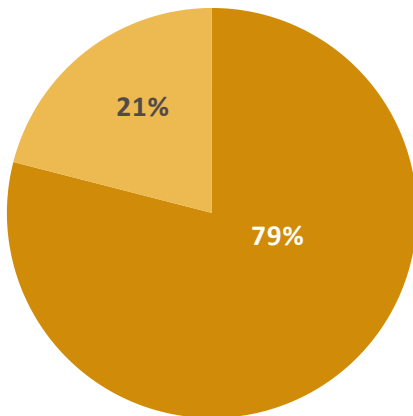
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THROUGH FINANCIAL & RENTAL ASSISTANCE

4,359
unique individuals

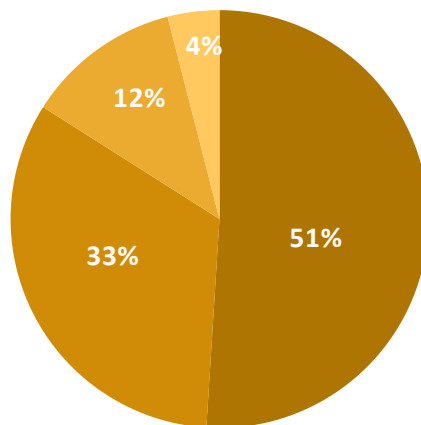
GENDER

● Female ● Male



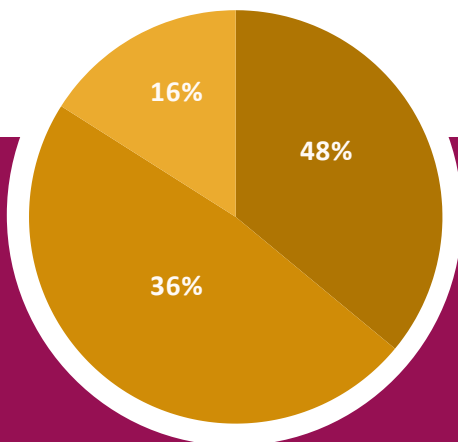
RACE

● Hispanic or Latino ● Black or African American
● White ● Other or two or more races



AGE

● 20 - 39 ● 40 - 59 ● 60+



A Bridge to Opportunity

Even short-term financial strain can lead to displacement and long-term instability. Rental assistance helps families remain safely housed, maintain connections to work and school, and avoid the long-term, compounding impacts of housing disruption.

80% Ongoing Financial Challenges
despite housing stability



\$8,600,507
Distributed in rental
assistance



74% Housing Stability
reported maintaining
stable housing continuously



64% Economic Stability
reported improvement

CHAMPIONS OF THE FUTURE



**VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT
JAYARAMAN RAGHURAMAN**

"I love volunteering at El Buen Samaritano, it is filled with wonderful leaders, employees, volunteers who work hand-in-hand to make an impact in people's lives. Over the last 3 years, I have loved my time teaching English, as well as my time at the food pantry. The smiles, the warmth and everyone laughing at my sparse Spanish gives me purpose and furthers my vision of helping others."



**BOARD MEMBER SPOTLIGHT
CATHY GREENLAW**

"Community lies at the heart of El Buen, a ministry that for nearly 40 years has lived out the command to love our neighbors through collective action and shared purpose. Not only has El Buen created an integral support system that meets community needs, but also promotes dignity, fosters belonging and drives lasting change. I am proud to serve as a board member for this vital Austin organization."



**DONOR SPOTLIGHT
JUDGE SANDRA AVILA RAMIREZ**

"My mom loved taking English classes at El Buen Samaritano. We pay it forward when we can, but support our community always! Unidos en comunidad."



**INVESTOR SPOTLIGHT
BANK OF AMERICA**

"Bank of America's partnership with El Buen Samaritano is meaningful because it helps create pathways to economic opportunity for individuals and families in our community. By supporting financial literacy, we're helping people build skills, strengthen their financial futures, and move toward long-term stability. Our volunteerism brings teammates together around a shared purpose and reinforces our commitment to building a stronger, more connected, and more resilient Central Texas."



**FOUNDATION SPOTLIGHT
THE MOODY FOUNDATION**

At the Moody Foundation, we believe that strong communities are built by organizations deeply rooted in service. El Buen Samaritano Episcopal Mission exemplifies that commitment. We are honored to support work that delivers both immediate relief and long-term stability."

– Ross Moody, The Moody Foundation Trustee

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THROUGH **COLLECTIVE IMPACT** & THE POWER OF **COLLABORATION**



The Cradle to Contributor (C2C) Collective is a shared commitment in action.

El Buen stood alongside partners who said yes to a shared vision of collective power - advancing how families across Central Texas access care, education, and opportunity.

Together, aligning strategies, leveraging strengths, and building connected pathways from early childhood through college, workforce, and long-term economic stability. Through this work, the C2C Collective is transforming systems to be more coordinated, equitable, and responsive to community needs.



FOUNDING PARTNERS & THEIR PROJECTS

El Buen Samaritano

Dr. Rosamaria Murillo, Chief Executive Officer
Dr. Johanna Moya-Fabregas, Chief of Strategy
Cristina Garza, C2C Consultant

Equidad ATX

Adelante Todos: Del Valle Expansion
Ashton Cumberbatch, President & Co-Founder of
Equidad ATX

Latinitas

Startup Chica Mini
Gabriela Kane Guardia, Executive Director

Todos Juntos Learning Center

Creating a Diverse Pipeline of Community Health Workers
Christina Collazo, Founder and Executive Director

Wisdom En Familias

Pathways of Promise Digital Platform
Leonor Vargas, Founder and Principal Consultant

Austin Independent School District (AISD)

Gloria Vera-Bedolla, AISD Office of Parent Support

AVANCE Austin

Exploring a Capital Campaign
Maggie Jaime, Executive Director

Cardea

Coordinated Care Network Bidirectional Referral Pilots
Vanessa Sarria, Vice President, Growth & Partnerships

Community Coalition for Health (C2H)

Intergenerational Health Navigator Pipeline
Dr. Charles A. Moody, Jr., Founder
Mia Greer, Chief Executive Officer

Con Mi MADRE

Stories that Matter
Linda Medina-Lopez, Executive Director

Economic Growth Business Incubator (EGBI)

From Caregiver to CEO
Larissa Davila, Executive Director



“VOICES FROM OUR COMMUNITY”

“Me gustan mucho las clases de computación. Puedo usar el teclado con mas confianza y puedo navegar el internet. Estos conocimientos me van a ayudar a continuar con mi negocio de perfumes.” – Maria Ochoa

“Supporting Samuel and Camila Aquino, twins who have shown remarkable growth in their English reading and writing skills, has been incredibly meaningful. Through consistent encouragement and targeted support, they’ve gained confidence and fluency, not only in their academics but in their willingness to participate and express themselves. Watching them support one another while developing their individual strengths has been especially rewarding, it has truly been a joy to witness their growth and celebrate their achievements.”

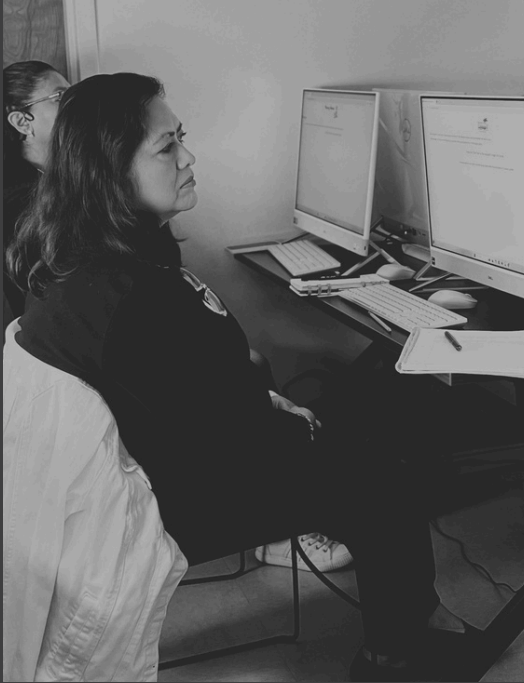
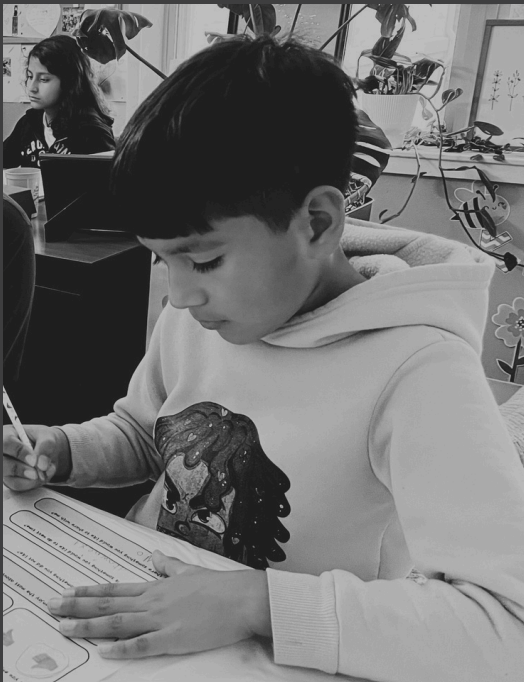
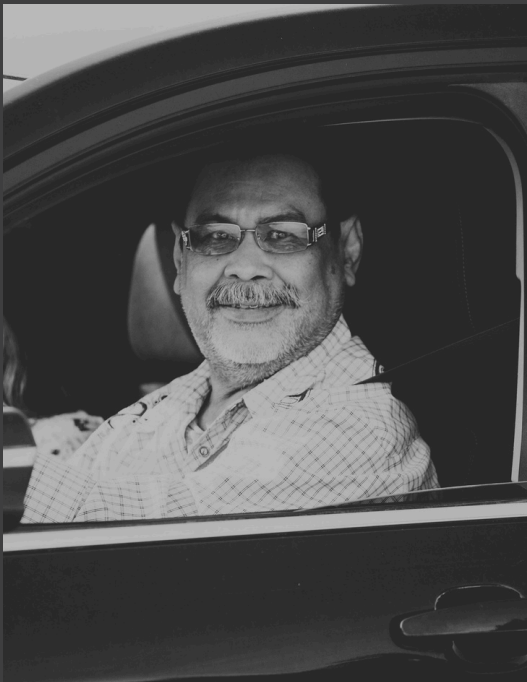
“The rental assistance that was provided by El Buen Samaritano gave me the opportunity to focus on other bills that I had to catch up on. El Buen Samaritano’s rental assistance gave me breathing room, not only providing me with a comfortable place, but also a place where I felt financially comfortable to be able to pay for my other bills including utilities, food, and credit card that were all late. It gave me a head start to tackle all the bills that were left behind.”

“Working at Lone Star Circle of Care as a front desk lead for the past 2.5 years made me realize I wanted to do more for our community and our patients. With encouragement from my clinic manager and El Buen staff, I decided to pursue my Community Health Worker certification!”

“Through the CHW Certification Program, I’ve strengthened my communication and interpersonal skills, and learned how to respond with empathy and care when clients come to us in difficult situations.”

“The CHW Training program has taught me how to go out into the community, connect with people, and serve as a resource by providing access to healthcare and support.”

“Participating in this program has helped me realize all of the ways in which I can organize my goals in my personal life. I gained so much knowledge on coping skills and how to manage my own stress to be able to focus on reaching my goals. I also learned so much financial information which helped me create and try strategies to become financially stable in order to pay off my house. It also has given me motivation to pursue formalizing my housekeeping business.”



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WITH OUR **COMMUNITY PARTNERS**

A ROCHA

African American Youth Harvest Foundation (AAYHF)
All Saints Episcopal Church
American University
Angel House
Any Baby Can
Austin Area Urban League
Austin Community College
Austin Community College
Continuing Education & Career Pathways
Austin Community Foundation
Austin Independent School District
Austin PBS
Austin Public Health
Austin Public Library
Austin Voices for Education and Youth
Austin Youth Riverwatch
AVANCE-Austin
Bookspring
Campfire Center TX
CapMetro
Cardea
Casa Marianella
Center for the Survivors of Torture
Central Texas Food Bank
City of Austin
Colorado River Alliance
Community Coalition for Health
CommUnityCare Health Centers
Con Mi MADRE
Concordia University
Consulado General de México
Contigo Wellness
Cottonwood Church
Daring Dialogues Consulting
Del Valle Community Coalition
Dell Medical School
DigitalLIFT
East Austin Conservancy
Economic Growth Business Incubator
El Ranchito
Equidad ATX
Families in Nature
Foundation Communities
Frost Bank

Go Austin Vamos Austin (GAVA)
Good Shepherd Episcopal Church
Goodwill Central TX
HABLA
Hays Latinos United
HOPE Food Pantry
Hope Medical Clinic
Housing Authority City of Austin
iACT
Integral Care
KIPP
Latinitas
LifeWorks Austin
Literacy Coalition of Central Texas
Lone Star Circle of Care
Love Hub
Mainspring Schools
Manor ISD Education Foundation
National Alliance on Mental Health (NAMI)
National Church Residences
NXP Semiconductors
PromoSalud
Real Queens Fix Each Other's Crowns
Resurrection South Austin
Rotary Club of Austin- Southwest
Saffron Trust
Saint Louise House
San Francisco de Asis
Save The Food Austin
South Austin Marketplace
South University
St. Alban's Episcopal Church
St. Christopher's Episcopal Church
St. David's Episcopal Church
St. David's Foundation
St. David's Mobile Dental Program
St. Edwards University
St. George's Episcopal Church
St. James' Episcopal Church
St. John's Episcopal Church
St. Mark's Episcopal Church
St. Mary Magdalene Church
St. Michael's Episcopal Church
St. Stephen's Episcopal School
Strategic HFC
Sunrise Community Church
Sunrise Navigation Center

Sustainable Food Center
SuVida
Texas Audubon Society
Texas Center for Child and Family Studies
Texas Harm Reduction Alliance
Texas Legal Services Center
Texas RioGrande Legal Aid
The Healing Project
The SAFE Alliance
The Welcome Table
THHS Foster Grandparents
Todos Juntos
Travis County
Travis County Health and Human Services
Trinity Center
Trinity Episcopal School
United Way of Central Texas
University of Texas Nursing School
University of Texas School of Pharmacy
VELA Families
Vivent Health
Volunteer Healthcare Clinic
Volunteer Legal Services of Austin
Wayside Schools
Wild Basin Creative Research Center
Wisdom En Familias
Wooten Elementary School
Workforce Solutions Capital Area



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HOW WILL YOU JOIN US IN ADVANCING FUTURES?

Your support fuels access to healthcare, education, and essential needs, creating pathways for families to thrive today and for generations to come.

GIVE TODAY

Make a one-time gift to meet immediate needs today while advancing long-term stability and opportunity for families.

CORPORATE MATCHING

Double your impact through your employer's matching gift program.

FRIENDS OF EL BUEN

With an annual gift of \$5,000 or more, you'll play a vital role in expanding our reach, deepening our programs, and amplifying our mission across Central Texas.

PLANNED GIVING

Leave a legacy by including El Buen in your estate plans.

CORPORATE PARTNERSHIPS

Activate your company's impact through sponsorships, volunteerism, marketing outreach, and community engagement.

SOMOS EL BUEN

With a monthly gift of \$25 or more, you'll join a dedicated community of supporters transforming lives year-round.

JOIN OUR MISSION THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

¡Avanzando Futuros! (April)
Amplify Austin (March)
En el Juego: Back to School (July-August)
Hands for Hope: Food Access and Equity (October-November)
End of Year Giving (December-January)

Your generosity helped serve over 34,000 Central Texans – driving generational transformation across our community.

GIVE. VOLUNTEER. GET INVOLVED.



770
volunteers



8,307
volunteer hours



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