

Impact in Austin





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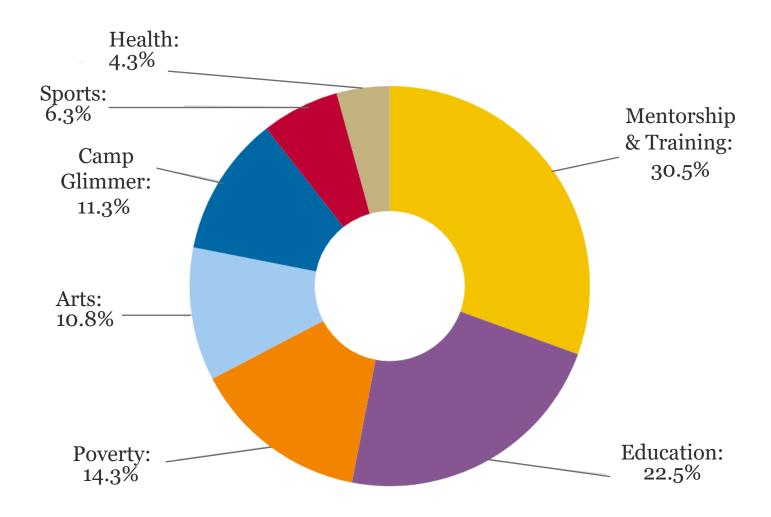
GLIMMER|AUSTIN'S APPROACH

We are committed to serving the poor and breaking the cycle of poverty through education, mentorship, and income creation.

Over the past 16 years, Glimmer | Austin has invested over \$7.7 million in the community.



G|A has awarded grants to 172 local nonprofits & social ventures.



"Glimmer|Austin has a deep desire and a strong devotion to serving and caring for the poor and those disenfranchised in central Texas. Our purpose is to help those individuals transcend the inequity, indignity, and the challenge of living in poverty."

-David M. Porter III, Executive Director

In 2019, Glimmer | Austin invested in 35 organizations in our community, which impacted more

than 5,000 people in Austin.



OUR NEW MISSION IS TO EMPOWER AND INVEST IN LOCAL NONPROFITS AND ORGANIZATIONS THAT:

- Care for those who suffer from hunger, homelessness, and a lack of basic needs.
- Work to break the cycle of poverty for the next generation through education, mentorship, and income creation.

Glimmer|Austin provided seed grants to 11 new organizations and 7 growth grants to existing partners.

Each year, we expand our work in the Austin community.

2019 HIGHLIGHTS



UPDATES

In 2019 Glimmer|Austin participated in the Association of Collaborative Communities Equipping Youth for STEM Success panel, as well as the Austin Angels Conference and the Austin Grants Professional Association.

Glimmer|Austin celebrated with Positive Coaching Alliance - Central Texas and the young athletes from William B. Travis Athletics department at their annual Christmas banquet.



HELPING HANDS

Glimmer|Austin partnered with Austin Humanists at Work, the City of Austin, and Lighter Loads ATX to provide food and other basic needs for homeless.



THANKSGIVING MEAL DISTRIBUTION

G|A provided meals to Street Youth Ministry, Mobile Loaves & Fishes, River City Youth Foundation, Central Texas Tennis Association & True Light Community Outreach Project.



CHRISTMAS GIVING

G|A supported Austin Angels, House the Homeless, Safe Alliance, Saint Louise House, Texas Preparatory School, & True Light Community Outreach Project with grocery gift cards, meals, and clothing. G|A's Co-Founder Philip Berber and Edge Addicts celebrated their annual Christmas parade at the Circuit of The Americas benefitting Big Brothers Big Sisters.



MENTORING SUCCESS

G|A provided mentorship sessions to our grantees led by our Co-Founder Philip Berber. We also partnered with JBL Strategies and Notley Edu to provide additional training opportunities for all the grantees.

Seed Grants to Innovative Programs

Each year, Glimmer | Austin selects new programs to receive a grant of up to \$20,000 to lift their innovative ideas off the ground.



AUSTIN BAT CAVE

Austin Bat Cave gives the space and resources to help young writers share their work and tell their stories. Through writing, reading, and learning, students are better able to share, express, reflect, and understand one another. Austin Bat Cave provides one-on-one support as well as workshops to the community.





AUSTIN RECOVERY

Austin Recovery is a non-profit dedicated to help people of all ages have access to addiction treatment and affordable lifetime support. Offering outpatient programs as well as a family house to their clients, Austin Recovery meets their clients at every stage of their treatment and continues with them throughout their life by offering endless resources.



DRESS FOR SUCCESS AUSTIN

Dress for Success is committed to empower women to achieve economic independence by providing a network of support, professional outfits, and the development tools to flourish both in life and work. Dress for Success provides resources, coaches, services, and opportunities to end the cycle of poverty.



FRIENDS OF THE CHILDREN - AUSTIN

Friends of the Children is motivated to break generational poverty by providing a professional mentor for children starting at the age of six throughout their childhood. The organization assists children who are at risk of dropping out of school, substance abuse, incarceration, and teen pregnancy by creating empowering relationships.



KIDS IN A NEW GROOVE

Kids in a New Groove pairs children living in foster care with a mentor through free, weekly, and private musical instruction. The relationships made through this program also help the youth excel academically, emotionally, and socially.



LIGHTER LOADS ATX

Lighter Loads ATX provides the homeless community access to mobile hygiene and laundry services. They offer free meals, a hygiene station, free clothes and even chiropractic care.



THE SALVATION ARMY RATHGEBER CENTER

The Salvation Army Rathgeber Center for Families is a 212 bed shelter and is a safe-haven for families experiencing homelessness in the community. The new shelter provides beds, meals, and other amenities such as employment assistance, skills training, therapists, computer learning centers, teachers and tutors, and laundry services.



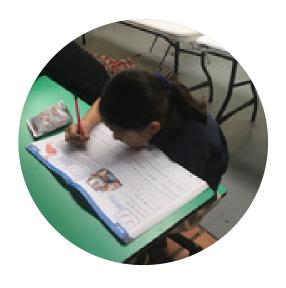
POSITIVE COACH ALLIANCE

Positive Coach Alliance believes that a positive approach is powerful for youth and adult athletes to get the most out of sports. They are dedicated to provide programs and resources to athletes, as well as coaches and parents, to emphasize the valuable lessons and skills that one gains from sports.



START UP KIDS CLUB

Start Up Kids Club serves students with an entrepreneurial education by teaching critical thinking skills, financial literacy, and resiliency. They offer after-school programming, workshops, and summer camps. Children learn the importance of community, purposefulness, inclusion, ownership, and perspective.



TEXAS PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Texas Preparatory School is a tuition-free charter school focused on developing the whole child through a diverse program with creative curriculum, engaging electives, and passionate staff for grades K-6th.

The students participate in project-based learning, explore a range of fine art programs, and engage in social and emotional learning modules.



YOUTH RISE TEXAS

Youth Rise Texas is dedicated to uplift the voices of young people harmed by criminalization and deportation. Youth are motivated take action and cultivate compassion in the community. Youth Rise Texas teaches young people how to civically engage and use their voices and experiences to change public opinion on target issues.

AMPLIFYING IMPACT

2019 Growth Grant Recipients

In addition to Seed Grants, Glimmer|Austin provides several Growth Grants of \$50,000 to established organizations within the community.



We seek out leaders and programs that possess the capacity to grow – and need funds to do so. Through these grants, Glimmer|Austin hopes to strength the organizations' professional mentorship opportunitites, as well as create workshops and specific trainings for their staff.

Focusing on Glimmer|Austin's mission of alleviating poverty and bolstering education, the following organizations are the recipients of the 2019 Growth Grants.







African American Youth Harvest Foundation

AAYHF received a grant to spearhead their Austin CARES program. They used the funding to hire a CARES program coordinator, develop a plan for implementation, and onboard more volunteers/mentors. They seek to provide community resources to transition youth and their families to self-sufficiency in the eastern crescent of Austin.

Code2College

C2C used the funding to support 550 underserved students, hire three programming staff positions, and create two new web-based curricula. C2C educates underserved students about coding, technology, and offers internships to foster their path towards a STEM career.





E4 Youth

E4Y received a grant to train new CLA leadership, build educator training modules, and create a better program impact evaluation. E4Y uses real world exposure and art/technology training to help Austin youth pursue careers in the creative workspace.



EcoRise

EcoRise received a grant to pilot their Green Building Internship program. The funding supported the creation of a digital learning platform, framework development, and intern onboarding. They utilize school-based programs to inspire Austin's youth to build a sustainable future through social entrepreneurship and design innovation.

Just

JUST received a grant to hire a Director of Communications. This staff member developed a plan to broadcast JUST's services through news outlets, Facebook ads, and strategic partnerships. JUST provides access to capital and coaching to women and minority entrepreneurs on their way to starting a business.



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Latinitas

Latinitas received a grant to increase the number of program staff onsite in order to expand Latinitas programs to underserved schools. The funding was also used to onboard a new marketing manager to increase Latinitas's involvement and development. They offer media and technology programs, workshops, and mentorship opportunities for young women's empowerment.



Lifeworks

Lifeworks received funding to further their Individual Placement Employment model. This grant served 60 youths who sought employment through Lifeworks. They function as an advocate for youth and families seeking a path out of homelessness through housing, counseling, education, and the workforce.

Mobile Loaves & Fishes

Mobile Loaves & Fishes received a grant to support the Street Treats/Cool Goodness Downtown Commissary and their Ten-Year Plan. MLF seeks to support the homeless and poor population through feeding programs, affordable housing initiatives, and micro-enterprise opportunities.





Celebrating 36 years of serving youth and families around Austin, specifically in southeast Austin's Dove Springs to promote safe, healthy, and productive lives.

Enhancing Lives Through:

Technology Training

College & Career Readiness

Mentoring

Wellness

Community Development



Mona Gonzalez "Angel of Dove Springs"

Glimmer|Austin is proud to have Mona Gonzalez as the Angel in the Community for 2019. She is the Founder and Executive Director of River City Youth Foundation, a nonprofit that provides mentoring, health programs, technology education, and career services for low-income children and families. She began the organization in 1983, driven by her philanthropic spirit and desire to develop a positive path for the children and families of Southeast Austin (Dove Springs). In 2016, Gonzalez was highlighted in the Austin Statesman Hispanic Heritage Month series for her philanthropy within her community.



For 36 years, Mona Gonzalez has embodied the community-based, charity-driven attitude of her grandparents and led RCYF to be a pillar of the neighborhood in Dove Springs. Through her team's efforts, RCYF built a facility that acts as a community center, recreational gathering place, and a technology/ESL school for parents and children alike.

Gonzalez is deeply loved among Austin residents and local nonprofits and has helped more than 250,000 people since her career debut. Through the many RCYF programs that Gonzalez helped create, students have learned how to navigate tech, develop career-building skills, and pursue higher education. Glimmer|Austin's 2019 Angel is vital to the success of Dove Spring's Youth as she continues to positively impact countless lives with her determination and compassion.











COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Camp Glimmer at Candlelight Ranch



We use fun, new experiences, like kayaking and ziplining, to encourage campers to get outside their comfort zones, approach challenges with a positive attitude, and build self-confidence. Team and partner activities cultivate communication and leadership skills.

Through outdoor & environmental programs, arts, music, team building, and leadership activities, Camp Glimmer's partnership with Candlelight Ranch gives youth in need the opportunity to experience the joys of a first-class summer camp. We work with children who are struggling with challenges from poverty to food insecurity to refugee resettlement.



"I'd like to thank you for everything you've done for us, the kids had a great time and can't stop talking about their adventures at Camp Glimmer."

- SARAH PERNELL, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CTTA



2019 Program Highlights:

In partnership with our local nonprofit partners, Candlelight Ranch, and Karavel Shoes, Camp Glimmer hosted over 550 campers from Austin area in 2019.

campers 85 stayed overnight

For many excited campers from Austin Angels, Central Texas Tennis Association, Central Texas Table of Grace, and Life Changers, this was their first overnight camping experience.

556 received new shoes

Thanks to our generous partners at New Balance and Karavel Shoes, every camper that attended Camp Glimmer went home with a new pair of tennis shoes.

100% loved their experience

"A big lesson that I learned from this summer is to value the small moments that last forever. With the help of a great team and even better youth groups, we had another successful Camp Glimmer."

- MA'DARIUS TYLER, CAMP GLIMMER ASSISTANT



"I am brave." - Camper from JUST



"I can do anything that I put my mind to."

- Camper from Austin Angels

