The mission of the Dart Foundation is to support organizations and projects that improve the quality of life in the communities we serve.
Since its inception in 1984, the Dart Foundation has given nearly $90 million to help our communities.

We are proud of our nimble approach to philanthropy that began with our founders W.A. and Claire Dart. We believe that listening to and working directly with our communities maximizes the impact of our investments.
“We always strive to make the biggest impact locally as possible.”

“We believe in keeping our dollars local. Whether it is buying a new piece of equipment to improve efficiency for a neighborhood food bank or ensuring that our caregivers have proper protective gear, we are committed to improving the communities we serve.”
—Bob Dart, President
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COVID-19
A global pandemic upended the world.

We quickly responded by tailoring our giving to meet the greatest needs in each community.

We invested locally to address gaps in healthcare, youth and family services, food insecurity and shelter.
We invested in telehealth to make healthcare more efficient and allow patients to communicate with loved ones while hospitalized with COVID-19.
We invested in equipment to improve the quality of local healthcare and keep caregivers safe.

“What a blessing Dart Foundation is to our community! The Lucas CPR compression device that we purchased with our grant proceeds will save lives and help keep our caregivers safe.”

—Todd Essary, Mercy Health Foundation (Ada, 2021)
We helped make the COVID-19 vaccine available to those with access barriers.

“Thanks to support from the Dart Foundation we were able to participate in the State’s vaccine equity program. We are bringing comfort to many that would otherwise be left behind on the vaccination curve. We removed access barriers like transportation and made the shot accessible to people that may not feel comfortable at a mass vaccination site or even a pharmacy.”

—Joe Garcia, Cristo Rey Community Center (Lansing, 2021)
We invested in COVID-19 patient support efforts and mental health.

“We are very appreciative for your grant to fund “Healthy At Home” Care Boxes for home health patients and patients discharged from the hospital during the COVID-19 pandemic. It made an incredible impact for our patients and we are thankful for your willingness to help during this crisis. Thank you!”

—Deanna Sandefur, Owensboro Health Foundation (Owensboro, 2020)
Healthcare Grantees

**Georgia:**
Rockdale Coalition for Children & Families, Conyers/Social Circle

**Illinois:**
Advocate Charitable Foundation, Chicago/University Park

**Kentucky:**
Owensboro Health Foundation, Owensboro

**Michigan:**
Cristo Rey Community Center, Lansing
Mid-Michigan Recovery Services, Lansing
Sparrow Foundation, Lansing

**Mississippi:**
The Foundation for Rush, Quitman

**Oklahoma:**
Mercy Health Foundation, Ada
We invested in youth and family programming including daycare and organized learning.
“I’ve worked here for 45 years now...and I can say that administrating and distributing these funds have been one of the most satisfying programs I can remember. My sincere thanks to the Dart Foundation and its Board for helping us start our Children’s Flex Fund to give special opportunities like birthday presents and new clothes to children and families in need.”

—Dale Lewis, Community Action Council of Lewis, Mason & Thurston Counties (Tumwater/Lacey, 2021)
Youth & Family Services Grantees

**Georgia:**
- RUSH Ministries, Thomaston
- East DeKalb Boys & Girls Club/Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Atlanta, Lithonia

**Illinois:**
- Crisis Nursery, Urbana

**Kentucky:**
- Caverna Independent Schools, Horse Cave
- Hart County Schools, Horse Cave

**Michigan:**
- Impression 5 Science Center/HeadStart, Lansing

**North Carolina:**
- Randolph County Family Crisis Center, Randleman

**Pennsylvania:**
- Water Street Mission, Leola/Lancaster

**Washington:**
- Community Action Council of Lewis, Mason & Thurston Counties, Tumwater/Lacey
FOOD INSECURITY

We helped bring security to those in need by funding food, toiletries and other basics during the pandemic.
“On behalf of Unit 4, our students and their families, please know that these funds will help ensure that our most vulnerable youth are provided with quality, healthy meals.”
—Laurie Scott, Champaign Community Unit School District #4 (Urbana, 2020)
FOOD INSECURITY

We invested in equipment including trucks, pallet jacks, and scales to make food distribution more efficient.

“As our community continues to wrestle with the challenges brought about by COVID, we’ve needed support more than ever. Thank you to the Dart Foundation for lifting our community in the fight against hunger.”
—Patrick Doyle, Feeding Tampa Bay (Plant City, 2020)
FOOD INSECURITY

We helped seniors and children gain access to food and other basic needs during the pandemic.

“Fantastic news that we have been awarded a grant for $28,000 to purchase a combi-oven. This helps us deliver meals more efficiently to the seniors we serve. We so much appreciate your support of the vital work we do here at Meals on Wheels of Lancaster.”

—Doug Hopwood, Meals on Wheels of Lancaster (Leola/Lancaster, 2020)
Food Insecurity Grantees

California:
- Corona-Norco Settlement House, Corona/Chino
- Feeding America Riverside and San Bernardino Counties, Corona/Chino
- Grace & Mercy Charitable Foundation, Lodi

Florida:
- Feeding Tampa Bay, Plant City
- Feeding South Florida, Deerfield Beach
- United Food Bank and Services of Plant City, Plant City

Georgia:
- Hope Atlanta, Conyers/Social Circle
- RUSH Ministries, Thomaston

Idaho:
- Twin Falls Senior Citizens Federation, Twin Falls

Illinois:
- Champaign Community Unit School District #4, Urbana
- Public Action to Deliver Shelter, Inc., North Aurora
- VNA Health Care, North Aurora

Maryland/Delaware:
- Maryland Food Bank, Federalsburg, MD/Newcastle, DE

North Carolina:
- Christians United Outreach Center, Randleman

Pennsylvania:
- Meals on Wheels of Lancaster, Leola/Lancaster

Texas:
- Crossroads Community Services, Dallas/Grand Prairie
- Waxahachie CARE Services, Waxahachie

Washington:
- Thurston County Food Bank, Tumwater/Lacey
SHELTER & SECURITY

We helped provide safety and shelter for those in need during the pandemic.
SHELTER & SECURITY

We helped families have a safe place to spend time together.

“The playground resurfacing project will allow us to provide a safe area for women and children to spend time together as a family as their lives change from chaos and survival into safety and healing. This family restoration is key in overcoming homelessness and breaking that pattern for future generations.”

—Crystal Wright, Lodi House (Lodi, 2021)
SHELTER & SECURITY

“On behalf of The Night Ministry – thank you for this amazing support! We are beyond thrilled to have the Dart Foundation as a partner in our mission and are very grateful for this funding to work on our West Town Shelter elevator.”
—Maggie Shiflett, The Night Ministry (Chicago/University Park, 2021)
Shelter & Security Grantees

**California:**
Lodi House, Lodi

**Florida:**
ChildNet, Ft. Lauderdale

**Illinois:**
The Night Ministry, Chicago/University Park
PADS (Lake County), Lincolnshire
A Safe Place, Lincolnsire

**Oklahoma:**
Mama T’s, Ada
WHERE WE WORK

We focus our work in the 22 communities where our founder’s business, Dart Container, operates. Our reach is national, but our focus is making a big impact locally.

OUR COMMUNITIES

Corona/Chino, CA
Lodi, CA
Fort Lauderdale, FL
(formerly Deerfield Beach, FL)
Plant City, FL
Conyers/Social Circle, GA
Lithonia, GA
Thomaston, GA
Twin Falls, ID
Chicago/University Park, IL
North Aurora, IL
Urbana, IL
Horse Cave, KY
Owensboro, KY
Federalsburg, MD/New Castle, DE
Mid-Michigan
Quitman, MS
Randleman, NC
Ada, OK
Leola/Lancaster, PA
Dallas/Grand Prairie, TX
Waxahachie, TX
Tumwater/Lacey, WA
COVID-19 Grantmaking
By the Numbers

- Healthcare: 45.4%
- Food Insecurity: 29.7%
- Youth & Family Services: 15.5%
- Shelter & Security: 9.4%
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