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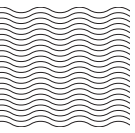
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LETTER



Historically, the Foundation has undertaken a strategic planning process every five years. We reflect on our mission and consult with advisors. We articulate long-term goals and allocate the resources necessary to achieve them. We chart a course for our work in the community and identify the best ways to carry it out.

This year, the process takes on greater importance as we turn the page to the next generation of leadership and envision the impact we must make with our community.

Over the coming months, our board and team, led by our new CEO Chris Meyer, is engaging in dozens of meaningful advisory sessions and community conversations to ensure our Foundation, as it has in the past, is ready to meet the moment and help lead Baton Rouge forward into the future.

We welcome your ideas. If you want to have a community conversation with us, please email Lauren Jumonville at ljumonville@braf.org.

Eight years seems like a long time, but a project as complex as the University/City Park lakes master plan requires a lot of planning and steering before work can begin.

In 2014, upon the occasion of our 50th anniversary, the Foundation announced a master plan to save the lakes from turning into mudflats and to beautify them to match how they are used recreationally today.

The Foundation and our donors contributed more than \$1 million to master planning. The underwriters have our gratitude. They are Albermarle Foundation, Raising Cane's and Todd Graves, John G. Turner and Jerry G. Fischer, Suzanne "Sue" W. Turner, Suzanne L. Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Turner, the Josef Sternberg Memorial Fund, and Mr. and Mrs. Milford Wampold III.

In July, Severson Environmental, a firm hired by LSU Real Estate and Facilities Foundation, started a test

They gathered at the Foundation, more than 50 of them. Packed shoulder-to-shoulder, they'd come to collaborate, to share, and to advise. For our part, we were there to listen and learn.

The invited advisors represented a diverse cross-section of our community. They were communicators, activists and leaders—all here because they believe in the potential of Baton Rouge and in the Foundation's ability to realize it.

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The Baton Rouge Area Foundation is a community foundation that takes advantage of opportunities to improve the quality of life in South Louisiana. We do so by providing three essential functions. One, the Foundation connects philanthropists with capable nonprofits to make sure the needs of our communities are met. For example, our donors support the Shaw Center for the Arts and education reform. Two, BRAF invests in and manages pivotal projects to improve the region. Three, we provide consulting services to nonprofits. For more information, contact Mukul Verma at mverma@braf.org.

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dredging of the lakes. The experiment will reveal the best way to deepen the six lakes to an average of 8 feet. Full dredging will begin in the fall.

In several years, you will see the most enjoyed outdoor space in the region become among the most admired spaces in the Gulf South. The lakes will be healthier; pathways to and around them will be safer and more accessible; and the restoration will improve natural habitats and reduce our regional risk of flooding.

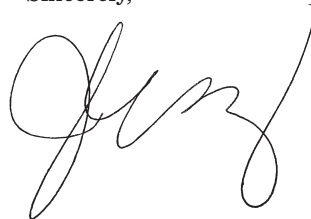
The Foundation helps to improve opportunities and the quality of life for everyone in our community. While this 50th anniversary project is grand in its size, scope and symbolism, we are also proud to partner with change-makers working on the front lines across our region.

Chantelle Varnado is on a mission of her own. Seeing parents drive for hours to seek therapy for their chil-

dren with special needs, she decided to open a practice in a Denham Springs church. Such good news cannot be contained; her practice has grown to more than 400 children.

Her family pitched in. The community rallied to her cause. And now, the Baton Rouge Area Foundation is providing guidance to this local hero as she expands her services to care for more children in a fast-growing area of our state.

Sincerely,



Jennifer Eplett Reilly,
Chair

mission

The Baton Rouge Area Foundation unites human and financial resources to enhance the quality of life in South Louisiana.

To achieve our mission, we:

- serve our donors to build the assets that drive initiatives and solutions;
- engage community leaders to develop appropriate responses to emerging opportunities and challenges;
- partner with entities from our service area, as well as with other community foundations, in order to leverage our collective resources and create the capacity to be a stimulus of positive regional change; and,
- evaluate our work and share the results with our stakeholders.

*Baton Rouge
Area Foundation*

The Baton Rouge Area Foundation accomplishes its mission in three ways:

1 We connect fund donors—philanthropists—to worthwhile projects and nonprofits. Over 55 years, our donors have granted more than \$600 million across South Louisiana and the world.

The Foundation offers several types of charitable funds, including donor-advised funds, which can be opened for a minimum of \$10,000. Contributions to the fund are tax deductible. Donors use these funds to make grants to nonprofits. The Foundation manages the money in the charitable accounts, offers

local knowledge about issues and nonprofits, and manages all the necessary paperwork.

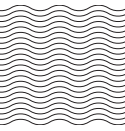
2 We conduct civic leadership initiatives that change the direction of the Baton Rouge region and South Louisiana. Members support these projects, which solve fundamental problems. Tax-deductible memberships range from \$200 to \$25,000.

3 We offer strategic consulting services to nonprofits.

Key Civic Leadership Projects

THE NEW MOBILITY: The Foundation is trying to make it easier for people to get around the parish. We are participating with local and state government on several projects that give residents transportation choices. Engineers say that more choices reduce the burden on roads. The projects include a train connecting Baton Rouge to New Orleans and a bike sharing system that launched last year.

BATON ROUGE HEALTH DISTRICT (BRHealthDistrict.org): The parish asked the Foundation to pay for a master plan for the Bluebonnet, Perkins and Essen Lane corridor, where most of the health care assets are located. The plan has been adopted by the parish, and an independent nonprofit—the Baton Rouge Health District—is implementing the plan.



TIM MUELLER



Members elect new board directors

MEMBERS OF THE FOUNDATION

ELECTED Daniel Gardiner of Postlethwaite and Netterville and Dr. Tatiana Saavedra Patel of Baton Rouge General to the board of directors. They began serving their first, one-year terms when elected at the annual meeting May 25.

New directors take the place of Dr. Eugene Berry and Francis Jumonville, who each served two full terms. Jumonville also was Foundation

treasurer for six years.

Members also elected Preston Castille of Helix Community Schools, Helena Cunningham of National Housing Consultant Services and Matthew Saurage of Community Coffee to second, three-year terms.

At the annual meeting, the board elected executive committee members as well. Jennifer Eplett Reilly is chair. She is founding chair and board member of New Schools for Baton

Rouge. Bernhard Capital's Jeffrey Koonce is vice chair, Gardiner is treasurer and Cunningham is secretary. Annette Barton, who worked in the trust department at Bank One before retirement, is at-large. William Balhoff, former managing director and CEO of Postlethwaite and Netterville, is past chair.

Directors are nominated by a committee of past and current board members and civic leaders.



David Kantrow, Lois Holden and her children, Angela and Myron

VISIONARY AWARD WINNER:

Kip Holden

MELVIN “KIP” HOLDEN never found a project he didn’t like. Give him a big, risky idea and he would say “let’s go.” For his daring as mayor-president of East Baton Rouge Parish, Holden won the 2022 Marcia Kaplan Kantrow Baton Rouge Visionary Award, which is presented by the Baton Rouge Area Foundation.

Holden was more than a cheerleader for downtown Baton Rouge. He cajoled investors to take a chance on downtown and lined up incentives to lower the risk they would be taking. While he was mayor, downtown grew from one hotel to five with more than 1,000 rooms, and developers invested more than \$1 billion on apartments, hotels, restaurants and clubs.

His Green Light plan started connecting city streets to improve traffic flow. His upfront support of remaking Government Street into a landscaped three-lane road with bike paths has started a revival in Mid City.

At the Foundation’s annual meeting on May 25, David Kantrow, son of Marcia Kaplan Kantrow, presented the Visionary Award to Holden’s wife, Lois, and their children, Angela and Myron. The former mayor was unable to attend.

Marcia Kaplan Kantrow was the Foundation’s first director of programs. Her family seeded the award in her honor.

TIM MOELLER



PUBLIC ART RESTORATION CONTINUES

Susie Anders has restored Frank Hayden’s Marcha de Galvez sculpture in downtown. The Baton Rouge Area Foundation leads a project to rehab art in the city center. Art pieces refurbished are Hayden’s Oliver Pollock sculpture, Hebe statue and the Martin Luther King Jr. monument.

Project partners are Mayor-President Sharon Weston Broome, the Metro Council, the Arts Council of Greater Baton Rouge and its Art in Public Spaces Advisory Committee, and the Downtown Development District.

The Foundation is raising private funds for restoration. If you wish to donate, please contact Lois Smyth at (225) 387-6126 or lsmyth@braf.org.

FUNDING FOR PASSENGER TRAIN

IN THE LATEST legislative session, passenger rail service between Baton Rouge and New Orleans received \$12.5 million in state funding, with \$25 million more to draw from federal funds. The money comes at a good time: The federal government has \$33 billion in Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act funding for inter-city passenger rail, and Canadian Pacific has stated it would coordinate with Amtrak on the Baton Rouge to New Orleans line. Canadian Pacific is buying Kansas City Southern, which owns the preferred route for daily train service.

Passenger rail between Louisiana’s two largest metro areas is a long-term project of the Baton Rouge Area Foundation.





RENDERINGS BY GUY A. AVELLONE/WHLC

The Baton Rouge Health District

THE BATON ROUGE Health District is growing from within and becoming a unique place.

NEW ROAD: Mayor-President Sharon Weston Broome broke ground in late spring on a connecting road within the Health District. Midway Boulevard will link Picardy Avenue to Constantin Boulevard, directly behind the Baton Rouge General and Our Lady of the Lake Children’s Hospital.

The two-lane, half-mile road will have bike paths and sidewalks on both sides with tie-ins at Picardy, Summa and Constantin, and a connection to BREC’s Ward Creek Greenway. It will have pervious pavement, road-

way lighting, trees, sub-surface drainage and raised intersections at Summa and Picardy for traffic calming. Estimated construction budget is \$4.3 million, with completion date next summer.

NEW SIGNS: City-parish government is installing new street signs that signal you are in the Baton Rouge Health District. The signs are among streetscape improvements designed to create a unique sense of place in the Bluebonnet

Boulevard, Essen Lane and Perkins Road corridor. Gateways also are planned at major intersections.

NEW CAMPUS: Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady University

received \$ 1 million from the FMOL Sisters for a new chapel within St. Francis Hall, the first building on a new campus in the Health District.

St. Francis Hall is the first major building project in the history of the university, known as FranU. It represents a consolidation of operations according to a campus master plan. The three-story building will be dedicated to academic and student development functions at both the undergraduate and graduate levels.

The Baton Rouge Area Foundation formed the Health District, now an organization governed by health care leaders.





Water Institute is saving imperiled cities

IN A MORE TURBULENT world, here comes The Water Institute of the Gulf. The Baton Rouge-based applied science organization has won contracts to help Mobile, Alabama, and Jacksonville, Florida, adapt to the effects of global warming.

In each case, the Institute will write plans that let the cities quickly adapt to and recover from disruptions caused by climate change and sea level rise, as well as social and economic upheavals.

The Water Institute has done similar work for Houston and Charleston, South Carolina, and is writing a coastal plan for Virginia. The Institute has more than 70 scientists and support staff. They are a water management resource for coastal communities, where more than 3 billion live worldwide.



FOUNDATION FACT

The Baton Rouge Area Foundation led an initiative that created The Water Institute, which has become a worldwide resource for water management science. The nonprofit is headquartered on The Water Campus, a collaboration between the Baton Rouge Area Foundation and Commercial Properties Realty Trust. CPRT develops and manages real estate for the Foundation.

MARKET UPDATE

BREDA WILL SPEND A \$1 million state allocation to update the Main Street Market in downtown. The market will close when nine months of construction begin in February. The organization will continue to operate Red Stick Farmers Market on Saturdays. BREDA—Big River Economic and Development Alliance—was seeded in part by the Baton Rouge Area Foundation and is supported by people who have donor funds with us.

LIBRARY TO GO

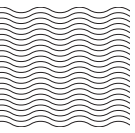
THE EBR LIBRARY'S free Internet service is available to-go. In a two-year pilot, the system is lending 500 Wi-Fi hotspots to cardholders. Devices can be borrowed for up to 12 weeks, including renewals.

"These devices provide an additional means to help bridge the digital divide. They offer another avenue for people to obtain the tremendous advantages that can be realized through a ready, flexible connection to the information infrastructure," says Spencer Watts, EBR Library director.

SHELLING OUT A GIFT

SHELL USA IS donating \$27.5 million to LSU. Of the total, \$25 million will be invested to create the LSU Institute for Energy Innovation. It will focus on five areas: talent, research and development, policy and economics, social and environmental justice, and technology transfer and commercialization.

The rest of the gift—\$2.5 million—will help to build the \$109 million Our Lady of the Lake Interdisciplinary Science Building on LSU's campus. OLOL is contributing \$15 million to the building.



GRANTS

THE BATON ROUGE AREA FOUNDATION GRANTED \$8.3 million in the second quarter of 2022, bringing the total for this year to \$15 million. Grants are listed here by organization. A list of all our grants in 2021 are included in the annual review within this magazine.

The Foundation makes grants on behalf of people who have charitable accounts with us. We also make grants from a pool of unrestricted assets. If you wish to know more about opening a charitable fund, please contact Edmund Giering at (225) 387-6126 or egiering@braf.org.



GRANTS / 2ND QUARTER 2022

100 Black Men of Metropolitan Baton Rouge \$200
 Abraham's Tent Association \$1,000
 Acts of Love Inc. \$2,500
 Adaptive Sports Center of Crested Butte Inc. \$5,000
 Adventures in Missions Inc. \$3,500
 AFS-USA Inc. \$250
 Alabama-Florida Council, Boy Scouts Of America \$23,200
 ALS Association Louisiana-Mississippi Chapter \$7,500
 Alzheimer's Services of the Capital Area \$21,750
 American Institute of Philanthropy / Charity Watch \$100
 American National Red Cross - Louisiana Capital Area \$2,844

AmeriCares Foundation Inc. \$1,000
 Amnesty International of the USA Inc. \$100
 Ars Lyrica Houston \$1,000
 Arts Council of Greater Baton Rouge Inc. \$27,695
 Arts Council of New Orleans \$25,000
 Ascension of Our Lord Catholic Church \$100
 Ascension Parish School Board - Donaldsonville High School \$2,000
 Ascension Parish School Board - Dutchtown High School \$500
 Ascension Parish School Board - Gonzales Middle School \$500
 Asheville Art Museum Association Inc. \$5,000
 Barak Ballet \$5,000
 Bard College / Bard Early College New Orleans \$2,500

Baton Rouge Ballet Theatre Inc. \$500
 Baton Rouge Bar Foundation \$300
 Baton Rouge Child Advocacy Center \$2,500
 Baton Rouge Christian Education Foundation Inc. - The Dunham School \$3,244
 Baton Rouge Crisis Intervention Center Inc. \$4,230
 Baton Rouge Early Childhood Education Collaborative \$2,500
 Baton Rouge Gallery Inc. \$2,000
 Baton Rouge Green Association Inc. \$1,396
 Baton Rouge High School Foundation \$3,300
 Baton Rouge Opera Guild \$2,116
 Baton Rouge Sponsoring Committee \$1,000
 Baton Rouge Symphony League Inc. \$1,000
 Baton Rouge Youth Coalition Inc. \$77,000
 Beulah Elementary School \$500
 Big Buddy Program \$500
 Blindness-Learning in New Dimensions Inc. \$10,000
 Bob Sikes Elementary School \$1,250
 Boy Scouts of America - Istrouma Area Council \$35,478
 Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Louisiana Inc. \$3,000
 Boys and Girls Club of the Plateau \$250
 Brady Center to Prevent Gun Violence \$100
 BREADA - Big River Economic & Agricultural Development Alliance \$5,000
 BREC Foundation \$250
 Bureau of Governmental Research Inc. \$5,000
 Camp Sunshine Inc. \$1,500
 Cancer Services Inc. \$5,000
 Cape Eleuthera Foundation Inc. \$10,000
 Capital Area Alliance for the Homeless \$6,000
 Capital Area Animal Welfare Society \$1,344
 Capital Area CASA Association \$10,300
 Capital Area Family Violence Battered Women's Program \$9,300
 Capital Area United Way \$36,084
 Catholic High School Foundation \$3,018
 Center for Action and Contemplation Inc.



\$100	Cristo Rey Baton Rouge \$2,000	\$1,000
Center for Orangutan and Chimpanzee Conservation Inc. \$500	CSAL: Madison Preparatory Academy \$2,500	First United Methodist Church \$3,800
Center for Planning Excellence Inc. \$26,100	Dallas Children's Advocacy Center \$10,000	Foundation for a Better Louisiana \$3,000
Center for the Arts - Crested Butte \$2,500	Dance to Unite Inc. \$25,000	Foundation for East Baton Rouge School System \$1,000
Center for the New Economy Inc. \$1,000	Dancing Grounds \$5,000	Foundation for Excellence in Louisiana Public Broadcasting \$3,250
Central Asia Institute \$1,000	Digital Harbor Foundation \$10,000	Foundation for National Progress / Mother Jones \$100
Centre for the Arts \$5,000	Doctors Without Borders USA Inc. \$4,000	Foundation for Woman's \$10,500
Cerebral Palsy Foundation of Greater Baton Rouge Inc. \$2,700	Douglas Manship Sr. Theatre Complex Holding Inc. \$21,105	Friends of a Studio in the Woods \$5,000
Children's Cup \$56,800	Dream Teachers \$5,000	Friends of Hilltop Arboretum Inc. \$300
Children's Education Foundation - Vietnam \$1,000	Ducks Unlimited Inc. \$15,000	Friends of Louisiana Public Broadcasting Inc. \$5,500
Children's Water Safety Awareness \$1,000	Dyslexia Association of Greater Baton Rouge Inc. \$683	Friends of Magnolia Mound Plantation Inc. \$2,000
Chinese Christian Church of Baton Rouge \$317	Earthjustice \$1,100	Friends of Notre-Dame de Paris Inc. \$500
Christ School Inc. \$10,000	Earthwatch Institute Inc. \$100	Friends of the Animals BR Inc. \$1,750
Christ the King Parish and Catholic Center at LSU \$13,879	East Baton Rouge Parish School System \$2,098	Friends of the Baton Rouge Zoo \$1,200
Church United for Community Development \$10,000	East Baton Rouge Truancy Assessment Inc. \$3,000	Friends of the Charles Darwin Foundation for the Galapagos Islands \$1,000
City of Hammond \$3,500	EBRPSS - Baton Rouge Magnet High School \$2,491	Friends of the Old State Capitol \$350
City of Lake Charles \$3,000	EBRPSS - Glen Oaks High School \$500	GaitWay Therapeutic Horsemanship \$33,000
City of Natchitoches \$1,000	EBRPSS - Istrouma High School \$1,000	Gardere Community Christian School \$1,000
City of New Roads \$1,500	EBRPSS - Progress Elementary School \$1,050	Gardere Initiative Inc. \$11,809
City of Opelousas \$2,000	EBRPSS - Riveroaks Elementary School \$1,400	General Health System Foundation \$11,000
City Year Inc. - Baton Rouge \$110,100	Educational Development Outreach Center \$2,500	Global Hunger Project \$150
Coastal Conservation Association - Louisiana \$200	ELLA Project \$20,000	Goldman Sachs Philanthropy Fund \$1,600,448
Communities in Schools of San Antonio \$2,000	Emerge Center Inc. \$7,500	Greater Baton Rouge Economic Partnership Inc. \$49,000
Community Bible Church \$7,925	Empower 225 \$15,000	Greater Baton Rouge Economic Partnership Inc./YEA \$10,000
Community Foundation of Southwest Louisiana \$1,000	Episcopal Church of the Holy Nativity \$565	Greater Baton Rouge Food Bank Inc. \$22,500
Community Foundation of Southwest Louisiana Hurricane Relief and Recovery Fund \$5,000	Episcopal High School of Baton Rouge \$350,841	Greater Mount Canaan Baptist Church \$500
Community Foundation of Western Kentucky Inc. \$200	Escambia County School District - Exceptional Student Education Department \$1,750	Greenpeace Fund Inc. \$100
Companion Animal Alliance \$4,500	Escambia Westgate School \$1,200	Habitat for Humanity International Inc. \$500
Consumer Reports Inc. \$100	Evergreen Foundation \$500	Habitat for Humanity of Greater Baton Rouge \$5,000
Contemporary Arts Center \$10,000	Everytown for Gun Safety Support Fund Inc. \$1,000	Halftime Institute \$2,500
Cool Cooperative Inc. \$25,000	Fellowship of Christian Athletes \$6,200	Healing Place Church \$10,000
Creole Wild West Inc. \$20,000	FINCA International Inc. \$100	Heifer Project International \$1,000
Crested Butte Film Festival \$2,500	First Presbyterian Church of Lake Charles	Heritage Ranch \$2,750



Holy Family Catholic Church \$16,708
 Homes for Our Troops \$30,000
 HOPE Ministries of Baton Rouge \$2,500
 Hospice Foundation of Greater Baton Rouge \$1,250
 Houston Grand Opera Association \$2,000
 Houston Symphony Society \$2,500
 Huntington's Disease Society of America Inc. \$500
 Huntsman Cancer Foundation \$13,076
 Iberia Parish School System \$1,500
 Iberia Parish School System - Westgate High School \$3,000
 Iberville Foundation for Academic Excellence \$6,427
 Imagine A Way \$4,500
 Immaculate Conception Catholic Church \$1,000
 Interfaith Federation of Greater Baton Rouge Inc. \$500
 International Cancer Advocacy Network \$5,000
 International Hospitality Foundation LSU \$1,144
 International Rescue Committee Inc. \$5,150
 International Women's Forum - Louisiana Chapter \$500
 James Dick Foundation for the Performing Arts \$1,000
 Jane Goodall Institute for Wildlife Research Education and Conservation \$1,000
 Jazz Houston \$1,000
 Jefferson Parish Public School System - John Q. Adams Middle School \$1,350
 Jefferson Parish Public School System - Marie B. Riviere Elementary School \$2,000
 Jefferson Parish Public School System - Washington Elementary School \$1,000
 Jefferson Parish Public School System - Woodmere Elementary School \$2,000
 Jewish Children's Regional Service \$3,000
 Jewish Federation of Greater Baton Rouge \$1,500
 Joni and Friends Louisiana \$1,000
 Joyce Theater Foundation Inc. \$20,000
 Jubilee Pioneers \$12,000
 Junior Achievement of Greater Baton Rouge and Acadiana \$250

Khan Academy Inc. \$100
 Kids' Orchestra Inc. \$6,279
 King of Kings Ministries Inc. / King of Kings Community Jerusalem \$1,200
 Kingsley House Inc. \$5,000
 Knock Knock Children's Museum Inc. \$2,084
 Kudvumisa Foundation USA Inc. \$1,500
 Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual & Transgender Community Center \$50,000
 Leukemia and Lymphoma Society Inc. - Mississippi/Louisiana Chapter \$11,000
 Life Action Ministries \$300
 Life of a Single Mom \$10,000
 Louisiana Americana and Folk Society \$300
 Louisiana Architectural Foundation \$4,000
 Louisiana Art and Science Museum Inc. \$61,755
 Louisiana Association of Public Charter Schools \$500
 Louisiana Bar Foundation \$250
 Louisiana Budget Project \$500
 Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities \$3,500
 Louisiana Parole Project Inc. \$7,000
 Louisiana Public Health Institute \$32,500
 Louisiana Purchase Council, Boy Scouts of America \$5,000
 Louisiana Resource Center for Educators \$1,000
 Louisiana Symphony Association / Baton Rouge Symphony Orchestra \$34,000
 Louisiana Tech University Foundation Inc. \$6,000
 Louisiana Wildlife Federation Inc. \$100
 Loving Our Community's Children Inc. - Ascension Affiliate \$20,000
 Lower Mississippi River Foundation Inc. \$1,000
 LPSB - Freshwater Elementary School \$920
 LPSB - Live Oak High School \$970
 LPSS - Charles M. Burke Elementary School \$500
 LPSS - Southside High School \$2,000
 LSU Alumni Association \$1,350
 LSU Foundation \$59,000
 LSU Foundation - College of Engineering \$1,575

LSU Foundation - LSU Ag Center Botanic Gardens at Burden \$200,000
 LSU Foundation - LSU Museum of Art \$145,300
 LSU Foundation - LSU Press \$52,000
 LSU Foundation - Manship School of Mass Communication \$500
 LSU Foundation - Paul M. Hebert Law Center \$2,000
 Maison des Ami of Louisiana Inc. \$1,500
 Make-A-Wish Foundation of America \$1,000
 Manners of the Heart \$250
 March of Dimes Inc. - Louisiana \$5,000
 Mary Bird Perkins Cancer Center \$138,540
 Mary Bird Perkins Cancer Center Foundation \$25,000
 MAZON Inc. a Jewish Response to Hunger \$1,000
 Metanoia Inc. \$5,000
 Methodist Hospital Foundation \$5,000
 MetroMorphosis \$175,000
 Metropolitan Crime Commission of New Orleans Inc. \$12,500
 Metropolitan Opera Guild Inc. \$1,000
 Mid City Redevelopment Alliance Inc. \$250
 Music, Arts & Fashion Productions \$1,000
 Myra A. Terwilliger Elementary School \$500
 National Arbor Day Foundation \$1,000
 National Audubon Society Inc. - Audubon Louisiana \$300
 National Federation of the Blind of Louisiana Inc. \$10,000
 National Jewish Health \$1,000
 National Multiple Sclerosis Society - Houston \$2,000
 National Museum of Women in the Arts \$100
 National Park Foundation \$2,500
 National Wildlife Federation \$100
 National World War II Museum Inc. \$100
 Nature Conservancy \$1,000
 Nature Conservancy - Louisiana \$17,000
 New Beginning Word Fellowship Evangelistic Ministry/Crossway New Beginnings \$1,000
 New Orleans Airlift \$10,000



New Orleans District Nurses Association \$1,000
 New Orleans Museum of Art \$20,000
 New Orleans Opera Association \$7,500
 New Orleans Video Access Center Inc. (NOVAC) \$2,500
 New Schools for Baton Rouge \$10,000
 Nicholls State University \$1,500
 O'Brien House Inc. \$2,500
 Of Moving Colors Productions \$3,000
 Ollie Steele Burden Manor Inc. \$399
 Omicron Beta Foundation Inc. \$2,500
 One World Family \$1,000
 Opera Louisiane Inc. \$500
 Operation Blessing International \$25,000
 Options Foundation Inc. \$15,000
 Orangutan Foundation International \$100
 Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church \$1,500
 Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church \$44,458
 Our Lady of the Lake Foundation \$13,500
 Our Lady of the Lake Foundation - Children's Developmental Center at McMains \$6,000
 Oxfam-America Inc. \$1,100
 Ozanam Inn \$1,700
 Particular Council of St. Vincent de Paul of Baton Rouge Louisiana \$92,655
 Partners in Health \$5,000
 Pennington Biomedical Research Foundation \$200,000
 Planned Parenthood of the Gulf Coast Inc. \$1,000
 Plew Elementary School \$600
 Pointe Coupee Parish Government \$1,000
 Policy Institute for the Children of Louisiana Inc. \$5,000
 Prairie View A&M University \$835
 Preservation Society of Asheville and Buncombe County Inc. \$2,500
 President and Fellows of Harvard College \$10,000
 Press Street \$50,000
 Project HOPE the People to People Health Foundation Inc. \$1,000
 Public Affairs Research Council of Louisiana Inc. \$1,000
 Purple Songs Can Fly \$1,000

Red Shoes Inc. \$7,500
 Red Stick Roller Derby \$350
 Reliant Mission Inc. \$1,500
 ReNew Schaumburg Elementary School \$2,000
 Rhodes College \$500
 Rice University \$20,000
 Ripples of Hope Inc. \$12,000
 Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors \$50,000
 Roman Catholic Diocese of Baton Rouge \$134,344
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\$43,000

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Soviet Union Inc. \$250

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\$1,000

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Foundation \$3,500

University of Minnesota Foundation \$835

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Foundation Inc. \$5,000

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Allen Middle School \$2,000

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The nation is watching Baton Rouge, where New Schools is recruiting and supporting the best charter schools. Philanthropists nationwide are investing in New Schools. They believe successes here could offer lessons for transforming schools across the nation.

Donors of the Baton Rouge Area Foundation were with New Schools from the beginning. They provided startup funding to give schoolchildren the opportunities they deserve.

If you want to pursue a cause or two you care about, you can do so by opening a donor advised fund at the Foundation. Please contact Edmund Glering at (225) 387-6126 or eglering@braf.org to guide you.

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Great lakes, *HERE WE GO*

**In the next two years, University/
City Park lakes will be transformed**

BY MUKUL VERMA | RENDERINGS BY SASAKI ASSOCIATES

An island is being born. Made by man and nature, the atoll in University Lake is doing double duty. It's an experiment to determine the best method for dredging a lakes system in decline. And it's a prelude to the construction of a boardwalk, designed to allow walkers and cyclists to safely bypass a dangerous pinch-point too close to traffic on Stanford Avenue.

The island also signals that implementation of a master plan to preserve

and beautify the University/City Park lakes has begun.

The project was initially conceived and led by the Baton Rouge Area Foundation. With partners, the Foundation's civic projects staff raised \$50 million for implementation.

When completed, residents will use this green space in ways they never imagined. People who live in the region and visitors alike will see a new beauty in Baton Rouge, and new outlooks will emerge about our parish as a place to live.

THANKS

Our donors underwrote the master plan. They are Albermarle Foundation, Raising Cane's and Todd Graves, John G. Turner and Jerry G. Fischer, the late Suzanne "Sue" W. Turner, Suzanne L. Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Turner, the Josef Sternberg Memorial Fund and Mr. and Mrs. Milford Wampold III.





How we got here

A bit more than a decade ago, the Foundation convened a meeting. Worried about the deterioration of the University/City Park lakes, we asked local leaders if they wanted to partner with us to save the lakes. They passed.

The lakes grew worse. Pollution washed into the six bodies of water. Plants grew within them, died, decayed and silted over the bottom each year. As the lakes became more and more shallow, algae bloomed and depleted the oxygen, sometimes suffocating fish in large numbers.

The University/City Park lakes were becoming a dead zone in the middle of our city.

The Foundation decided to act. Our staff started a master plan to save the lakes and preserve them for the future. The plan was announced publicly in 2014 at our 50th anniversary celebration.

Civic projects that change public spaces succeed when residents and organizations are included from the beginning. So we created an advisory committee that included LSU, BREC, homeowners and civic leaders, as well as Foundation board members.

The Center for Planning Excellence was hired for wider public engagement and to help the panel select a master planning firm. After soliciting proposals from interested designers, the advisory committee narrowed the list, with the finalists presenting their ideas at an open meeting at the Manship Theatre. The panel convened right after this and selected SWA Group, which was led by Kinder Baumgardner, an LSU graduate with an international reputation in land planning.

SWA used open meetings to get ideas for the blueprint from the public and to educate people about threats to the lakes. By then, the lakes were, on average, about 3 feet deep.

In its blueprint, SWA outlined several

goals. The two most important were, first, dredging the lakes to keep them deep and healthy for decades and, second, using the scooped materials to create amenities that were designed to suit the ways the lakes were being used for recreation, now and in the years to come.

The project didn't start right away. That's because it took several years to line up funding. With new leadership in place and big help from Gov. John Bel Edwards, BREC, LSU, and state and local government agreed to fund the first phase of \$50 million.

A new panel was established to build the planned improvements. LSU Real Estate and Facilities Foundation is in the lead, with BREC, city-parish government, LSU, and the Baton Rouge Area Foundation as partners.

The project

Partners in the lakes project hired Sasaki Associates to refine the master plan and turn it into construction drawings. LSU REFF, the development arm

of the LSU Foundation, contracted with Severson Environmental for dredging. The project is underway.

The lakes will be deepened to an average depth of 8 feet. Severson crews will yank thousands of cypress stumps that were left behind when the lakes were formed from swamps in the 1920s and 1930s. Some of the stumps will be left behind for wildlife habitats.

Excavators will scoop materials to the shoreline, where designers envision wetlands to naturally clean polluted matter that flows in from the roads. Geotextile tubes will be installed and packed with dredged materials, then backfilled to create living shorelines. In an area where water enters the lake system, crews will build a forebay to capture silt for easy, periodic removal.

"We're looking at wetland gardens adjacent to roads. We're trying to create all these different systems to capture water, clean it, let it settle out of it before it's entering into the lake systems," says Anna Cawrse, lead designer for the project with Sasaki.





“I’ve worked on park projects all across the country and the world; I would say having a university with such an iconic and public amenity is very unique to Baton Rouge and something that I know the city is very proud of.”

—ANNA CAWRSE, lead designer for the project with Sasaki Associates



Crews from Severson Environmental are building a boardwalk as a bypass for dangerous Stanford Avenue. It’s the first project in the lakes restoration project.

PHOTOS BY TIM MUELLER





Bottoms up

University Lake has been partially dredged before. Back in the 1970s, around Stanford Avenue, dredges dug up stumps and carved out a deeper lake bottom. But the work bogged down; there were so many stumps that the parish abandoned the project.

This time, dredging is being done with considerable care, abiding to blueprints

that are written by landscape architects and environmental engineers. Deepening will improve water quality. Amenities will be created to match how the outdoor space is used for recreation and creative loafing.

Sevenson is testing the best method to dredge the lakes. Excavator crews have cut up the lake bottom, mixed a polymer into the material to remove water and

packed the consolidated soil into geotextile tubes to form an island. Crews are learning how to best yank stumps and dig channels to move around the shallow lakes.

Milford Wampold Memorial Park

When University Lake is dredged next year, a lot of the dirt will be moved



A boardwalk will let people explore wetlands at a new island. Construction is underway. Opposite page: separate off-road paths, where possible, will let bikers and walkers move safely in their own lanes.



FOUNDATION FACT

The Foundation and select donors paid for the \$1 million master plan that is guiding final design and implementation. As well, the Foundation and partners secured \$50 million for the first phase, with funding from state and local government and BREC.

to form a larger Milford Wampold Memorial Park on Stanford. That park will be larger than originally planned.

From Wampold Park, you'll be able to launch and row a canoe or kayak in a much deeper lake system all the way to the foot of City Park. That's because a signature bridge will connect University and City Park lakes for the first time on May Street. A small boat launch is expected near LSU's recreation center, too.

The beach at Wampold Park is now a bit of forgotten sand. It'll become a real

beach. "There's great precedence across the country to have really beautiful beaches contained within a space," says Cawrse.

In Sasaki's design are spots where you can eat a meal or drink a beverage, perhaps at a food truck or a café.

Children will play on a unique playground. "We are looking at really cool custom playgrounds," Cawrse adds. "Right now in the design, we have a giant pelican that could be part of a larger natural play system."

And the bathrooms will be nicer.



Down on the boardwalk

Crews will start building a boardwalk to connect East Lakeshore and South Lakeshore drives later this year. They have begun to build an island as a landing spot for the boardwalk. Geotextile tubes packed with dewatered material from the lake bottom will frame the island. It'll be made from dredged material and stumps.

Says Cawrse, the designer: "Besides just getting bikers and walkers and runners off Stanford, the boardwalk is also going to give an opportunity for them to step down and get closer to the water for an ecological and immersive experience."

At May Street and Dalrymple Drive

In the original plan, there's a big park at the corner of Dalrymple Drive and May Street. That park will be smaller than intended, "a bit quieter," says Cawrse.

You'll see big changes as well at May and Dalrymple. A bridge will connect the two lakes, allowing for boating between them. Design of the bridge is underway. Construction will be coordinated with dredging over the next 18 months or so.

Roads will be realigned for safer passage. Plus, May Street and the bridge will have separated paths for cyclists and pedestrians.

Off-road bike and walking paths

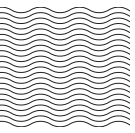
An important feature are paths on the lakes, both for walkers and cyclists. Cawrse said they will be separated from each other and the road. Paths will let people get near the water in some places.

"Where we can, we try and separate biking from walking," said Cawrse. "What that allows us to do is use a lot of existing land for paved bike paths and then create much more kinds of flexible systems for running and walking that kind of swoop out and go along the lake edges." ■



WATERKEEPERS

The Foundation thanks Gov. John Bel Edwards for his leadership. Our gratitude also goes to Mayor-President Sharon Weston Broome, BREC and State Sen. Franklin Foil. All of them have been instrumental to the success of this project.



Breathing ROOM

In Livingston Parish, Chantelle Varnado, with a hand from her family, cares for 400 kids with special needs

BY AMY ALEXANDER | PHOTOS BY TIM MUELLER

Chantelle Varnado has a passion for helping kids express themselves. Her doctoral studies at LSU involved learning everything she could about rib cages. Help the kids to breathe better, she discovered, and they will be better able to share their dreams, tell stories, report on what’s bugging them and say I love you in a million different ways.

As she was putting a capstone on her PhD in communications sciences and disorders, Varnado was faced with that eternal question that often brings about sleepless nights: What next?

One August night in 2015, her house quiet except for the occasional twitch of a Livingston Parish cicada, Varnado decided to pray about it. She wasn’t all that habitual with her vespers, didn’t consider herself to be especially devout.

But on that night, she experienced divine inspiration.

“God told me what to do,” she said. “By the morning, I had a business plan, a logo and a name. When my husband woke up,

I told him, ‘I’m starting a nonprofit.’”

Varnado’s midnight epiphany became Launch Therapy Center, a bustling organization that supports children and families through a variety of individual and group services, parent support groups and religious education.

Varnado, a veteran therapist who served extensively in schools around Livingston Parish and in Virginia, began by offering therapy out of the activity center at her church, Immaculate Conception in Denham Springs.

“We moved the clinic in during the day, out at night,” she recalls. This was no small feat, considering that quality therapy involves a seemingly endless stock of supplies, setups, tools and toys.

They rapidly outgrew that space, which led to a series of expansions and moves as children from the Denham Springs and the Northshore areas discovered therapy services closer to home. Launch now serves about 400 kids from a location on Range Boulevard in Denham Springs.

The space is designed to accommo-

date its diverse clientele, which includes autistic children as well as those with ADHD, mental health challenges, brain injuries, spina bifida, and kids who do not exactly meet the criteria of any single condition, but who still need therapeutic support.

“We have the flexibility to work with those kids,” Varnado explains.

Parents often end up scrambling to find therapy when insurance companies don’t want to cover the sessions due to diagnostic criteria not being met. As a nonprofit, Launch uses its resources and raises money to help.



FOUNDATION FACT

The Baton Rouge Area Foundation is providing advice to Launch Therapy Center. The nonprofit is raising funds to improve its therapy center in Livingston Parish. If you want to know more, contact Lauren Crump of the Foundation at (225) 387-6126 or lcrump@braf.org.



Chantelle Varnado and daughter Addison Varnado.



Children need their therapists to be local, Varnado advises, and not an inconvenient road trip away, to achieve consistent progress without disrupting their everyday lives and their time with family.

“It’s important to be where the kids are and to meet their families where they are,” she says.

A few years ago, Ashlea Maranto was driving 45 minutes each way to Baton Rouge regularly, trying to get answers and support for her daughter, Kala.

“She would not answer questions or speak when put on the spot. She was having trouble with confidence and self-esteem. She would essentially shut

down when anxiety would build in a new situation,” Maranto says.

Launch was able to put together a multi-faceted plan for Kala. She practiced socializing in groups. Therapists taught her to learn one new friend’s name in a strange setting to help her feel less overwhelmed and alone. She also practiced breathing techniques and counting on her fingers to calm anxiety.

To help with school, she used pencils with special grips and weights. She ran on a treadmill and strengthened her abdominal and back muscles. She balanced on exercise balls and lifted weights.

“We started our journey when Kala

In the first year of its operation, Launch Therapeutics provided 2,296 hours of treatment. Last year, it hit 10,937 hours.



was 5. Now she's 13," Maranto says. "I honestly believe had it not been for Chantelle having the dream and starting Launch, Kala would not be where she is today."

Maranto says she's grateful for the financial aid from Launch sponsors that her family received as they navigated insurance and disability benefits.

"I've known Chantelle since I was 11 years old and her husband, Brad, for even longer, so we felt very confident that we could trust her with the care and well-being of our son," says Launch Board President Mike Dougay.

Before Launch, the Dougays were wearing a deep groove in the pavement between Denham Springs and Baton Rouge for therapy for their son, Parker. It took a toll on the entire family. Launch changed all of that, and more.

"What we noticed at Launch was that everyone involved was extremely passionate about what their mission was. There was a level of determination and optimism that we hadn't seen before."

Varnado strives to stay focused on the entire child and their entire family as she and her team plan solutions for clients.

"We're not just in-and-out therapy," she says.

Varnado's family is a constant source of strength. This is a circle that doesn't just cheer her on; they get involved with their hands, feet and hearts.

Dad is a hairdresser who volunteers his time to prepare kids to go to the barber. You wouldn't believe, Varnado explains, the ordeal it is to get a haircut for kids who process sensory information differently from the norm.

Ditto for the dentist. Varnado's sister, who is CEO at Bencaz Family Dentistry and serves as chair for Launch's annual gala, is always at the ready to help therapists figure out how they can help make trips to the dentist easier.

"It's about repeated exposure and desensitization," Varnado shares.

Varnado's mom does the accounting and helped to lay the floors in the new

building. Her 82-year-old aunt built a giant "light bright," drilling holes and filling small plastic bottles with colored water that the kids can move around to make designs.

"My family is like that about everything," Varnado chuckles. "I can't think of a time that all of them don't jump in to do something. They are creative and handy. There's always a project."

During the first few months of re-opening during the COVID-19 pandemic, Varnado's kids, now 19 and 16, came with their friends to help sanitize LEGOs and other toys.

Today, Varnado has black paint on her fingernails because she's been hard at work creating a painted track on the lot behind her new building. It's a mini-Indy 500 where the kids can ride adaptive bikes to get stronger and more coordinated.

She's a manager who leads by walking around or, sometimes, even climbing on the roof, if that's what it takes to clear up a problem so that her staff and clients can achieve as much as possible. There is inspiration everywhere.

Example: A stunning work of art that hangs in the center's waiting room. It's

a dazzling horizontal bundle of individually painted sticks. Each stick is scintillating by itself, hues of bubblegum and starry tints, zig-zags and polka dots created by Launch kids. Taken together, though, the sticks form a bold statement about the power of connecting with one another while enthusiastically celebrating and supporting individual differences.

There was no way Varnado could have imagined the countless tasks that lay before her in building her organization, nor could she have envisioned the overwhelming support she would find all around her from so many different individuals.

In the first year of its operation, Launch provided 2,296 hours of therapeutic support and treatment. Last year, it hit 10,937 hours.

"I didn't know how big the need was," she says.

Even in the face of natural disaster and a global pandemic, Varnado says she feels energized every day by the knowledge that she is building something that will make a difference in her town and in the lives of so many families.

"This is God using me." ■





You have a child with special needs. Now what?

BY MIKE DOUGAY



WHEN YOU HAVE a child that has special needs or a developmental delay, your life will change. It doesn't mean that it's going to change for the worse.

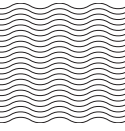
You'll want to do everything possible to "fix" your child. You may think that it's something extreme, expensive or not in your community that has to be the answer.

Sometimes it may be just that, but oftentimes the answer is the thing that is the best for your overall family, where you can receive the help and total family support that you need without having to sacrifice the most important aspect of a child's life, their family life.

Find a place that is passionate about your child and improving the quality of life for your family as a whole. There will

be great victories during the course of your child's therapy journey. and there will also be setbacks and heartaches. It's during those heartaches and disappointing periods where you will need people around you that you know have a love for your child and want to see them continue to persevere. Your choice for a therapy center should consider the entire family dynamic and see the big picture. When you find that place you won't have just a place that you send your child to "fix" the issue or issues, you'll have a true partnership that has your family's best interests at heart.

Mike Dougay is the president of the board at Launch Therapy. He works for Lard Oil Co.

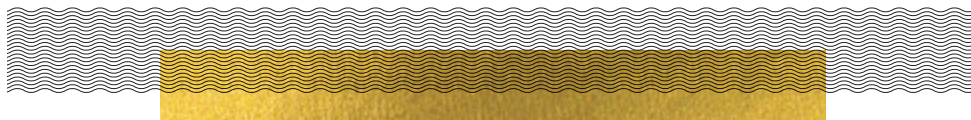


2022

JOHN W. BARTON SR.

Excellence in Nonprofit Management Awards

BY MUKUL VERMA



For more than two decades, the Baton Rouge Area Foundation has presented the John W. Barton Sr. Excellence in Nonprofit Management Awards to the best and most devoted nonprofit leaders. Five years ago, the Foundation added an award for a younger nonprofit leader—a rising star.

How do we pick winners? People who have charitable funds at the Foundation nominate candidates for the awards. Winners are chosen by past Foundation chairs. The award is named to honor John Barton, who was among founders of the Foundation. He provided wisdom and advice over nearly five decades to Foundation leaders and staff.

The following pages present our Q&As with this year's winners.

Lynn CLARK

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY BATON ROUGE

LYNN CLARK HAS WORKED FOR HABITAT for Humanity of Greater Baton Rouge for nearly two decades. She started as director of development in 2004 and rose to executive director in 2008. The affiliate she leads is growing fast: It has built 260 homes in the past 16 years and tripled its housing inventory as well.

What is your favorite memory from childhood?

During the summer, my best friend and I would ride our bikes to the playground and play softball and tennis all day. My mom would give me 50 cents for a snowball. I can still taste the joy of that cold treat after a long day in the sun.

What is your favorite meal?

Growing up in New Orleans, every meal was my favorite meal. Choosing one would be my mom's stewed chicken. I have tried unsuccessfully to duplicate it, so unfortunately the incredible taste is gone with her.

Excluding Baton Rouge, what is your favorite city or place and why?

I love sitting on the beach on the Florida coast at sunset. Watching and listening to the waves melts away stress and reminds me of the beauty and power of our earth.

Solving which problem would provide the greatest return for our region?

Improving our roads is imperative for

our region to grow. This is especially true in the underserved communities north of Florida Boulevard.

Who is your greatest hero from fiction and why?

Jo March from *Little Women* is my favorite heroine. She is independent, introspective, bold and knows what she wants and goes after it. Reading about Jo as a young girl in the early 1970s gave me the confidence to look outside of what was expected for my life and pursue what fulfilled me.

What does the Baton Rouge region lack that you wish it had?

Baton Rouge needs a comprehensive housing strategy that would touch on every area of the region and would give a tangible blueprint for uplifting neighborhoods and ensuring that everyone has a decent place to live.

What is your most treasured possession?

I have an angel Christmas ornament my mom gave me that I treasure. For me, the Christmas season starts when I place it on the tree.

If you had \$1 billion to give away, what would you spend it on to improve the region?

I would ensure that every person had a safe, stable, affordable place to live. Housing stability improves the health, educational and employment outcomes for all people.

Wave a magic wand for Baton Rouge. How does the city look?

Baton Rouge would have a thriving economy that provides well-paying jobs, a first-class public education system that provides opportunities for every child to reach their potential, a mass transit system that serves the needs of all residents no matter where they live, every resident would have access to the best health care, no violent crimes, and neighborhoods where people of all wealth levels and races would be welcomed and supported.

How will you spend the \$10,000 Barton Award?

One of my dreams has been to visit Ireland so I am delighted to plan a trip to the Emerald Isle.

NONPROFITS



Habitat
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Kathleen RICHEY

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATES

KATHLEEN STEWART RICHEY JOINED Louisiana CASA in May 2015 as executive director. She began her career as an attorney representing children in child dependency and delinquency matters. In 1991, she was elected the first Juvenile Judge for East Baton Rouge Parish. She served on the bench for 24 years and was instrumental in establishing Louisiana CASA.

What is your favorite memory from childhood?

One summer my parents took the family camping all the way to Denver, which took about three weeks. There are many separate memories from the trip, but overall, it was one of the happiest times with my family.

What is your favorite meal?

I love eating breakfast for dinner, so my favorite is eggs, bacon, grits and biscuits.

Excluding Baton Rouge, what is your favorite city or place and why?

I love Camp Marydale in St. Francisville. I spent many weekends and summers at Girl Scout camp and always found it relaxing and renewing.

Solving which problem would provide the greatest return for our region?

Traffic congestion and accessible public transportation is an obvious problem to address. Crime prevention is another pressing problem, as well as improving K-12 education.

I am also concerned about protecting

our aquifer and developing an environmentally sustainable infrastructure. But most pressing is providing services for children and families, including quality accessible childcare and early education, support services for families, and interventions for children impacted by domestic violence.

Who is your greatest hero from fiction and why?

This is a hard question because there are so many fascinating characters in literature. But if I have to pick one today, it would be Katniss Everdeen from the Hunger Games Trilogy. Although she is a teenager, she has a strong moral compass, a clear commitment to help others and mad wilderness survival skills.

What does the Baton Rouge region lack that you wish it had?

Efficient, effective public transportation—I would love to leave my car at my home and use it only for road trips.

Which living person do you admire and why?

I am inspired by President Volodymyr Zelenskyy and the Ukrainian people.

Their resolve and determination to remain a free people in the face of overwhelming odds is incredible.

What is your most treasured possession?

Besides my collection of family photos, what I treasure most is my pocket Constitution, not because of the paper it is written on, but because of the values it embodies.

If you had \$1 billion to give away, what would you spend it on to improve the region?

Solving the problems identified in the earlier question: transportation, crime prevention, preserving the aquifer, improving infrastructure in an environmentally sound way and providing services for children and their families. I would also like to work on inclusiveness for the disabled community.

Wave a magic wand for Baton Rouge. How does the city look?

We would be a community that respected each other and cared for the most vulnerable among us; we would all be able to use public transportation and



enjoy parks, museums and community events together; our children would all be safe and thriving at home, at school and in the community; our youth and young adults would all have fulfilling jobs, careers and educational opportunities; there would be negligible crime and no violent crime; there would be no food deserts and the aquifer would be secure; we would be a leader in environmental innovation and our diversity would be honored and celebrated.

How will you spend the \$10,000 Barton Award?

After floods and freezes, my yard needs some landscaping help. I also plan to save some for a trip to celebrate my 70th birthday.

RISING STAR AWARD

Darlene Adams ROWLAND

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
BREADA

DARLENE ADAMS ROWLAND HAS DEDICATED her professional career to sustaining a vibrant local food system by supporting Louisiana’s family farmers. As the executive director of Big River Economic and Agricultural Development Alliance (BREADA), she oversees four locations of the Red Stick Farmers Market in Baton Rouge and the Main Street Market. She began leading BREADA in January 2021 after working for the organization for more than 12 years.

What is your favorite memory from childhood?

I am from Mobile and grew up spending time on the Alabama coast. Some of my best memories are gathering with family at the beach, playing games and hunting for sand crabs.

What is your favorite meal?

I love the bounty of summertime produce! One of my favorite meals is my mom’s fried okra, sliced tomatoes, sauteed squash, corn on the cob, and some meat fresh off the grill. It is rivaled only by her pancakes.

Excluding Baton Rouge, what is your favorite city or place and why?

Before we had our children, my husband and I traveled often. I love Europe and the strong sense of place each city has. There are amazing markets that give a glimpse of the local food and culture. I studied in Spain in college and it has a special place in my heart.

Solving which problem would provide the greatest return for our region?

I believe that giving every child access to a quality education free of charge from a young age would be amazing for the Baton Rouge community.

Who is your greatest hero from fiction and why?

It may seem like an odd choice, but I have always appreciated Andy Dufresne from *The Shawshank Redemption*. He took a terrible situation and made a choice to not give up, while also helping others along the way. Whether building a prison library or blasting opera music, he was always thinking of his fellow man and trying to bring a bit of beauty into their world. His compassion towards others is inspiring and makes you realize that even small acts of kindness can make a huge impact in someone’s life.

What does the Baton Rouge region lack that you wish it had?

I wish Baton Rouge had better transpor-

tation options. I appreciate how hard the Foundation and our community have worked toward rail service between New Orleans and Baton Rouge, and I look forward to the day it becomes a reality for our region.

Which living person do you admire and why?

I am in awe of the strength, courage and grace of Malala Yousafzai. It is truly inspirational to watch her stand up for the rights of young women in the face of such adversity.

What is your most treasured possession?

My grandmother was one of my very best friends, and her pearls are one of my most special possessions.

If you had \$1 billion to give away, what would you spend it on to improve the region?

I would spend it on education, but not limited to the traditional core subjects. I believe everyone should know the basics in life: how to grow food, how to

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manage money and how to navigate the world when they leave high school or college. This includes educating people about the world around us. I would set up scholarships to allow kids to travel outside of Louisiana and the U.S. Seeing history in real life and outside of a classroom makes an incredible impact. Traveling from a young age has greatly influenced the way I view the world.

I make it a priority to ensure that my children have diverse experiences outside of their home city. I believe that having the opportunity to learn about our friends across the globe helps us become a more empathic and compassionate city, state and nation.

Wave a magic wand for Baton Rouge. How does the city look?

The city has great connectivity via

safe urban trails, reliable public transportation, and outdoor spaces that encourage healthy eating, gathering and physical activity.

How will you spend the \$5,000 Rising Star Award?

I love to travel and the money will definitely be spent on a trip. I have not settled on a location yet, but I definitely want to take my kids to Europe. ■

Brain storm?

Northshore Community Foundation offers online mental health counseling post-Ida

BY SARA BONGIORNI | ILLUSTRATION BY CAROLYN BLAKLEY

uicides on the Northshore spiked sharply more than two years after hurricanes Katrina, Gustav and Isaac and 2016 spring flooding.

A new initiative aims to prevent a wave of suicides in the aftermath of Hurricane Ida by offering free access to online mental health therapy designed to reach Northshore residents at greatest risk from post-Ida struggles.

Data collected through the just-launched WellConnected initiative will shape additional mental health efforts on the Northshore, where suicides have long exceeded the state and U.S. rates.

“We have to jump out ahead and disrupt the pattern,” said Nick Richard, executive director of NAMI St. Tammany, a partner with the Northshore Community Foundation in the new program.

“We know we can save lives.”

The first priority of WellConnected is getting expert help to those who need it, and foundation support is making that happen. It is covering the cost of

90-day subscriptions to a virtual mental health platform called Talkspace that matches individuals in search of help with licensed therapists with relevant expertise.

Program participants meet twice monthly with their therapists via live video sessions using their phone or computer. They also get unlimited text or email access to their therapist for ongoing support over the 90-day subscription period.

“You can reach out at any time and say you are struggling,” said Susan Bonnett, executive director of the Northshore Community Foundation. “There is continuous communication.”

Initial foundation funding will provide access to therapy for 500 residents of St. Tammany, Washington, Tangipahoa and St. Helena parishes, but the foundation is ready to expand the program if those spots fill quickly.

The approach eliminates common obstacles to mental health care, including cost, perceived social stigma and conflicts over workday appointments.

Users can schedule therapy sessions outside of work hours when they are at home or in another private setting.

“You access it on your own time,” Richard said.

As elsewhere, therapists are in short supply on the Northshore, an imbalance that has accelerated amid years of rapid population growth across the region. Virtual therapy allows more people to get help quickly despite the on-the-ground capacity shortfall.

Research cited by the National Institutes of Health and others concludes that online therapy is an effective and less costly alternative to in-person care in the treatment of depression, anxiety and other mental health challenges.

The approach is emerging as a standard form of care as U.S. hospitals increasingly use it instead of traditional bedside sessions in their psychiatric units, Bonnett pointed out.

“There is a provider challenge everywhere, and this allows people to get treatment,” she said.

For individuals without effective coping mechanisms or a certain degree of emotional resiliency, daily setbacks and frustrations can add up to a crushing loss of hope.





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The summer rollout of the WellConnected program is related to the nature of post-disaster trauma.

Mental health struggles tend to build gradually after the adrenaline-fueled early months of emergency response, often reaching a crisis point a year or more later, Richard explained. A grim case in point: Suicides on the Northshore peaked 18 to 24 months after Katrina and other disasters.

“It doesn’t happen overnight,” Richard said.

Comparatively small traumas from insurance headaches to daily encounters with lingering community destruction can lead to growing problems with sleep and alcohol, Richard said. Those problems in turn exacerbate stress and

feelings of sadness, even among people who did not lose a home or a job as a result of the storm, he said.

Pandemic uncertainties like school disruptions and health scares were additional burdens after Ida. For individuals without effective coping mechanisms or a certain degree of emotional resiliency, daily setbacks and frustrations can add up to a crushing loss of hope.

Research shows that repeated exposures to small traumas play out in the brain like the major traumatic response known as post-traumatic stress disorder.

“All these things can be life changing,” Bonnett said.

Notably, the demographic group at highest risk for suicide after a disaster—white males between the ages of 40 and 60—is also the least likely to seek help out of fear of appearing weak. Concern about stigma may be an especially formidable barrier to getting therapy on the Northshore in light of its mostly rural and small-town character.

“Everybody knows everybody,” Richard said. “They’re worried they’ll be seen in a therapist’s waiting room or a parking lot.”

Suicide prevention has been a foundation priority more or less since the organization’s founding in 2007 to aid recovery from Hurricane Katrina. Its first foray into civic leadership, for instance, was facilitating a public forum on the issue.

That early effort gave rise to a St. Tammany Parish suicide task force and,

in time, voter approval of a St. Tammany public health tax that included a dedication for mental health services.

“It’s been an ongoing negative drumbeat since we started,” Bonnett said.

The new online therapy program isn’t the foundation’s only recent initiative focused on mental health. It is also making grants to Northshore nonprofits to help them develop mental health components that build on their core community work.

Meanwhile, the Talkspace platform at the heart of the online therapy initiative will automatically compile data on diagnoses, treatment and outcomes to lay the groundwork for additional efforts to prevent suicides.

The Northshore-specific data will provide unprecedented insight into what treatment works, understanding that will help the foundation and NAMI pursue grant funding from the NIH and other sources.

“This will give us real data on what to give our citizens to get the large impact we want to make,” Richard said.

Bonnett envisions a cost-effective, evidence-based model that could be replicated across the state, where fewer than 40% of individuals with a mental health diagnosis receive care, according to federal health statistics.

“We hope to develop a replicable model to reach more people, not just in south Louisiana and not just after hurricanes,” Bonnett said. “We are going to see what works.” ■



FOUNDATION FACT

The Northshore Community Foundation is a supporting nonprofit of the Baton Rouge Area Foundation. The Foundation started NCF, which is now overseen by a board from its service region: St. Tammany, Tangipahoa, St. Helena and Washington parishes. With our affiliate in Lake Charles, the Community Foundation of Southwest Louisiana, the Foundation serves 2 million people in South Louisiana.



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The Foundation is primed to advance key quality of life initiatives and envision our next chapter of impact.

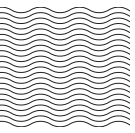
We have built the momentum and support to restore nine historic pieces of public art this year. Based on the Foundation's \$1 million master plan, a network of partners is kicking off a \$50 million project this summer to save and beautify the University/City Park lakes. This fall, more than 11,000 students will attend exceptional schools that are supported by New Schools, a project of the Foundation.

To do even more, the Foundation is engaging stakeholders across the community to develop our next strategic priorities.

As we implement these initiatives and set our next course, we ask you to take this journey with us. Join or renew your membership today.

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Wholly, holy

Two synagogues forge a bolder future for Judaism in Baton Rouge

BY GARY PERILLOUX

Generations of Jewish families practiced their faith consistently in Baton Rouge, but they did so in synagogues separated by five miles: B'nai Israel on Kleinert Avenue and Beth Shalom on Jefferson Highway.

That separation changed in 2022. Today, the congregations are together as the Unified Jewish Congregation of Baton Rouge. They're embarking on a building project at the Kleinert location. And by the end of 2023, they'll celebrate Hannukah in a bright new sanctuary, worship before a traditional *bima* and gaze through glass upon a Tree of Life garden.

The transition has been thoughtful. A joint synagogue committee began a two-year exploratory process in 2019. They navigated the COVID-19 pandemic, choices about where to build and how to worship, and decided to merge in August 2021. In January, the unification became official. Building plans coalesced

throughout 2022; and in July, new Rabbi Sarah Smiley arrived from Kansas amid a whirlwind of renewal.

"It is a very exciting time for the Jewish community of Baton Rouge, and I am thrilled to help the Unified Jewish Congregation go from strength to strength," said Smiley, who looks forward to helping members merge existing customs and create new ones. "My initial goals are to learn about each legacy congregation and build relationships with everyone."

Deep roots

Jewish roots run deep in Baton Rouge, and they're entwined with colonial settlers in New Orleans and Natchez, Mississippi. In 1766, Jewish immigrant Isaac Fastio arrived in New Orleans and formed a trading partnership in Pointe Coupee Parish 14 years later with Benjamin Monsanto, who would move to Natchez as Mississippi's first Jewish settler. A Dutch Jew, Maurice Bennett, established himself as a leading Baton Rouge merchant in the early 19th century, according to the Goldring/Woldenberg Institute of Southern Jewish Life. But Baton Rouge developed no sustained Jewish community until the mid-1800s.

Then, French and German Jews from Alsace and Bavaria settled in Baton Rouge, where they endured the Yellow Fever Epidemic of 1858. That tragedy necessitated establishment of the Jewish Cemetery on North Street, and a downtown synagogue followed in multiple locations, culminating with Temple

B'nai Israel near present-day b1Bank headquarters at Laurel and 5th streets. By 1954, Jewish worshippers moved to the modern Congregation B'nai Israel synagogue on Kleinert Avenue near St. Joseph's Academy. Nearly a decade earlier, though, a disagreement over Zionism divided the congregation.

In 1945, under the leadership of Rabbi Walter Peiser, B'nai Israel affirmed "our nation is America and our religion is Judaism," as documented by the Institute of Southern Jewish Life. That stance rejected the idea that Jews needed a separate homeland. Some 29 Jewish families disagreed and created a new Liberal Synagogue on Acadian Thruway, where they worshipped until a 1980s name change to Congregation Beth Shalom and move to Jefferson Highway.

Over 77 years, the schism softened. Members of both congregations realized their common bond of Reform Judaism—and their joint Baton Rouge journey—made them stronger together, said Dr. Steven Cavalier.

"You'll find very, very few American Jews now that aren't supportive of the state of Israel," said Cavalier, who serves as president of the new Unified Jewish Congregation of Baton Rouge. That trend made unification more doable, he said, and UJC is establishing worship practices for its over 300 families to incorporate traditions from both former congregations.

"The differences now are fairly small," said Cavalier, who cited a desire to inspire younger Jews as one motivation



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Donors with charitable funds at the Foundation have contributed to the capital campaign for expanding and renovating the synagogue on Kleinert Avenue. If you want more information about the capital campaign, please call Lois Smyth of the Foundation at (225) 387-6126 or email her at lsmyth@braf.org.



Rabbi Sarah Smiley and
Dr. Steven Cavalier

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RENDERINGS COURTESY RHH ARCHITECTS

Building plans

THE UNIFIED JEWISH Congregation of Baton Rouge will open its expanded synagogue at Kleinert Avenue and Parker Street in late 2023. Plans include:

- An all-new sanctuary, social hall, kitchen facilities and additional parking.
- About 27,300 square feet of total building space, or 70% of the combined space at B’nai Israel and Beth Shalom before unification.
- Conversion of the existing B’nai Israel sanctuary to a Jewish conference center, with a gathering space, or living room; library; conference rooms; gift shop.
- Conversion of other space to host the Rayner Learning Center, a highly regarded year-round preschool with capacity for 112 children, about 80% of whom are non-Jewish, in a move from Beth Shalom.
- Renovation of existing space for administrative offices.
- Renovation of existing space for the congregation’s Religious School, which provides Jewish religious training on Sundays for preschool through eighth-grade students; Hebrew, Judaic and project learning for B’nai Mitzvah candidates advancing to the age of majority in the congregation; and multiyear Confirmation classes for high school students.
- Preconstruction activities are underway, with formal building beginning in December, and completion a year later.

for merging. “I think for a lot of reasons, diversity in a community is a good thing. If you want to attract Jewish people, it helps to have a Jewish community. You have to look to the future, and you have to plan for the future, and we want to have a community that is appealing to young people.”

A new home

Two key quandaries faced the unified congregation: What do we call ourselves and where do we worship? From Hebrew, “B’nai Israel” transliterates to “Children of Israel” while “Beth Shalom” reads as “House of Peace.” Committees tinkered with “B’nai Shalom” or “Beth Israel,” but members didn’t warm up to either name. By default, the working name of “Unified Jewish Congregation of Baton Rouge” became the actual name.

The existing synagogues were uncannily similar in size: each about 6 acres; each about 19,000 square feet under roof. Ultimately, Cavalier said layout drove the decision, with the squarish Kleinert property more suitable for expansion. The elongated Jefferson Highway site eventually will be conveyed to next-door Jefferson Baptist Church.

With that November decision, the UJC board culled through proposals and selected Baton Rouge-based RHH Architects to design the Kleinert expansion. Principal Trula Remson and her RHH team visited Temple Emanu-El in Dallas to study what the late critic David Dillon called “the finest architect/artist collaboration in the Southwest.”

Dallas architect Gary Cunningham, who shepherded that mid-century temple’s 2016 renovation with a new 500-seat sanctuary, served as RHH’s architectural *sherpa*, Remson said. Her firm’s foundation in residential architecture also helped, because commercial buildings evolve as an assemblage of systems while homes thrive on warm elements, she said.

“It’s the same with a church or synagogue,” Remson said. “Those things that

are sacred and reverent deserve more detail, and I think that’s been a strength of our team.”

Of the new design RHH unveiled at a June neighborhood meeting, Remson described the challenge of capturing both spiritual intimacy and grandeur in one sanctuary. An epiphany came with the choice of operable sanctuary walls, allowing an intimate 75-seat worship space to expand into social space and seat 450 for High Holy Days and large gatherings.

Legacies

Few appreciate Baton Rouge’s Jewish community more than James Bullman, who grew up in rural Wills Point, Texas. The cattle-ranching Bullmans were the only Jews most people in Van Zandt County ever met. The nearest synagogue lay miles away in Dallas.

Imagine Bullman’s surprise upon arriving at LSU on his 18th birthday and learning his randomly assigned roommate was a Kentucky Jew, steered to Baton Rouge by Louisville Rabbi Jon Adland. Eighteen years later, that rabbi’s niece is Bullman’s wife.

“It’s Jewish geography,” Bullman said with a chuckle. “It’s how the world works.”

Amanda Bullman’s childhood congregation, Beth Shalom, became the couple’s Baton Rouge sanctuary. In 2016, they walked in—wary-eyed and sleep-deprived—for newborn son Noah’s circumcision. Expecting a small ceremony led by the rabbi and by *mohel* Mark Posner, they instead found throngs of Beth Shalom members and a warm banquet reception. In Noah’s birth year, when flooding damaged over 60,000 area homes, James Bullman remembers Beth Shalom’s response—providing hundreds of daily meals to families stranded at the Celtic Media Centre—as a watershed moment in his faith.

“There is something special about the Baton Rouge Jewish community,” he said.



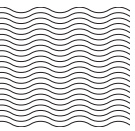
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In years to come, Noah and his 2-year-old sister, Sofie, will discover another special legacy. In the late 1990s, Lee and Brenda Berg were so moved by visiting the U.S. Holocaust Museum they provided a gift to the B’nai Israel Foundation in Baton Rouge. The gift funds an annual trip to the museum and other Washington, D.C., landmarks for local Jewish students who complete their Confirmation studies. Today, the Bergs cherish a scrapbook filled with a quarter-century of letters thanking them for the once-in-a-lifetime experience.

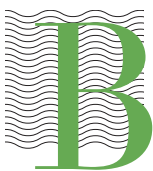
“It’s been a terrific joy in my lifetime to have the young people understand what the Holocaust meant to our religion,” said Lee Berg, who’s encouraged by the unification of Baton Rouge’s synagogue. When the Unified Jewish Congregation of Baton Rouge celebrates its bicentennial in 2058, and looks back at what was accomplished in 2022, “I hope they’ll look back with pride,” he said. “I hope they’ll look back with an understanding that one Jewish community, as opposed to two, will be stronger.” ■



Building trust

A new model for rebuilding North Baton Rouge could be emulated elsewhere

BY SARA BONGIORNI



Build Baton Rouge is conducting a first-of-its-kind experiment in urban redevelopment. It's incubating a hybrid land bank and trust to advance the redevelopment of blighted lots on and near Plank Road into affordable housing, parks and green spaces, commercial sites, and environmental services.

Plank Road Community Land Bank and Trust is a 501(3)(c) nonprofit that will work with Build Baton Rouge to implement its plan for an area that for years has been a focus of BBR, the East Baton Rouge Parish redevelopment authority.

In time, the trust could be used to drive investment in services from job training to grocery stores in long-neglected neighborhoods in the Plank Road corridor that include some of the poorest in the nation.

The structure and operations of the



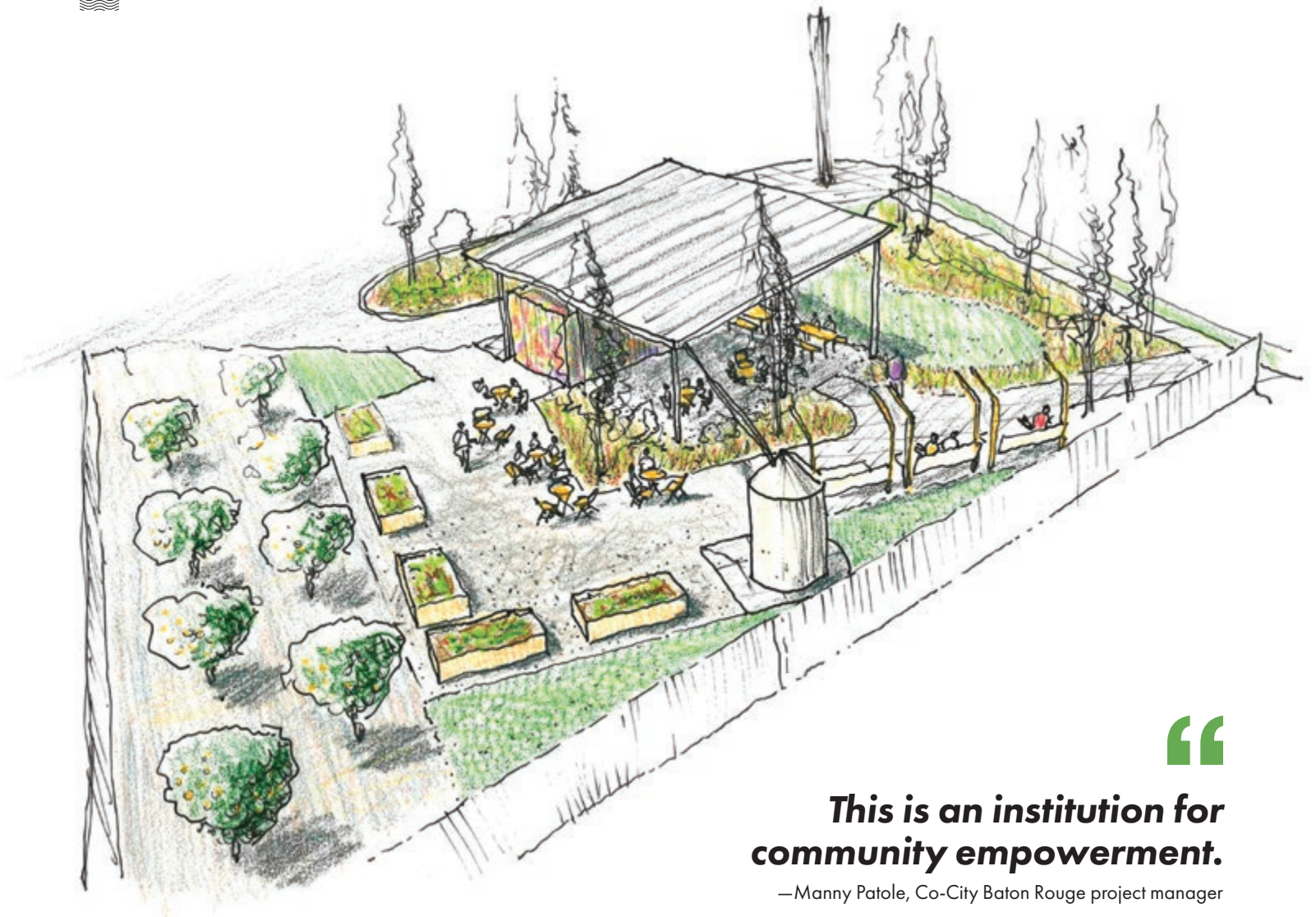
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The Baton Rouge Area Foundation researched and created the parish redevelopment authority with participation from local government. A Foundation representative sits on Build Baton Rouge's board.

A new land trust affiliated with Build Baton Rouge will oversee a 10,000-square-foot park on Plank and Erie Street. BREC will manage the park.





This is an institution for community empowerment.

—Manny Patole, Co-City Baton Rouge project manager



trust include several novel aspects.

For starters, it will not sell land outright. Instead, it will hold land in perpetuity while making lots available for housing and other development through long-term leases of up to 99 years. Houses and other land improvements will be bought and sold separately from trust-held lots on which they are built, with sellers keeping more equity the longer they stay.

The model restricts a home's sale price each time it is sold to keep it affordable for other low-income families. A resale formula and other operat-

ing policies will be developed in coming months by the new organization's board in cooperation with a community advisory panel.

The shared-equity approach balances the opportunity for residents to build intergenerational wealth with long-term housing affordability. Prohibitions on quick flips will likewise promote neighborhood stabilization and prevent displacement and gentrification as the area draws new investment.

"This is largely about affordable housing but also community well-being," said Manny Patole, project manager

for Co-City Baton Rouge, a New York University and Georgetown University initiative to support area reinvestment in collaboration with local partners.

Patole has worked on the project since 2018 with professors Sheila Foster of Georgetown and Clayton Gillette of NYU. Baton Rouge partners include The Walls Project, Metromorphosis, LSU, Southern and activists working to advance the Plank Road area.

The new entity's first land acquisition highlights operations that will reach beyond affordable housing, the traditional focus of community land trusts.

In coming weeks, a 10,000-square-foot lot at Plank and Erie Street will be transferred to it for development of a pocket park that eventually will be managed by BREC.

The Erie Community EcoPark will include elements determined through a community engagement process, such as a community garden, shaded seating, public art and stormwater management to mitigate flood risk tied to climate change. A Plank Road bus stop for a rapid transit line will provide efficient connections to Florida Boulevard and Nicholson Drive.

Broadly speaking, public land banks are better at acquiring land, while trusts are better at activating it for community benefit. The hybrid organization taps into the advantages of each by combining them into one entity.

BBR acquires tax-delinquent property, mostly vacant lots, through an adjudication process that involves city council approval. But cloudy title issues can require tens of thousands of dollars to resolve and hold up plans to return vacant property to active use.

Going forward, BBR will transfer Plank Road-area properties into the new trust, a step that will start the clock on a 10-year period to resolve titles automatically.

Initially, about 40 lots will be moved into the trust. BBR will continue to transfer Plank Road-area properties to it unless it has earmarked them for a specific use, said Gretchen Siemers, director of planning and special projects.

From there, the new trust will work with developers undeterred by potential title issues and nonprofits looking to build housing and other projects in line with organization priorities.

“It doesn’t provide immediate relief, but in the meantime, if we can put them in a nonprofit land

trust that will care for the properties and look for ways to activate them with community input, then that’s a win-win for everybody,” said Siemers.

The trust also will accept property donations and purchase land when feasible, she noted.

An interim board of local leaders and community advocates will expand to a permanent 15-member governing board over the next several years.

The community advisory panel is also still in the works. It will offer an opportunity for collaborative governance in a neighborhood where many have deep-seated mistrust of public agencies.

“This is a way for people to engage in a way that is meaningful to them,” Siemers said.

The entity’s formation marks a shift to implementation of the Imagine Plank Road: Plan for Equitable Development, funded by JPMorgan Chase’s Advancing Cities award and the Huey and Angelina Wilson Foundation. Its development is grounded in 18 months of legal and institutional research that looked at best practices in cities like Atlanta; Albany, New York; Richmond, Virginia; and Roxbury, Massachusetts.

JPMorgan Chase and the Wilson Foundation have been important supporters of work that draws on the idea that community pride grows out of community participation and neighborhood governance.

Among the findings: There are no fully operational hybrid institutions like the Plank Road model. “This would be the first of its kind in the U.S. and possibly globally,” Patole said.

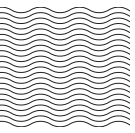
It’s worth pointing out what the new entity won’t do, including appropriate land or require a landowner to move a property into the trust. “This is an institution for community empowerment,” Patole said.

The organization will incubate in space provided by BBR until it is ready to set out on its own with a staff that it will recruit in coming months.

Patole estimated that it will take five years for the organization to get fully operational. In time, he hopes it will become a model for reinvestment in other parts of Baton Rouge, too.

“This is proof of concept that will start here and grow,” he said. ■





SPARK BRIEFS



Level up

A COALITION OF NONPROFITS has invested \$50 million in an online resource to help small and mid-sized cities compete against larger cities for \$1 trillion in federal infrastructure funds.

The Local Infrastructure Hub launched July 1. Underwriters are National League of Cities, U.S.

Conference of Mayors, Urban Sustainability Directors Network, the African American Mayors Association and Results for America, as well as Bloomberg Philanthropies, the Emerson Collective, Ford Foundation and Kresge Foundation.



SPOONFUL OF SUGAR NOT INCLUDED

RANI THERAPEUTICS has invented a pill that could replace shots. When swallowed, the pill makes its way to the intestines. A tiny dissolvable needle then painlessly injects drugs. The company is testing the pill with five approved drugs. An osteoporosis medicine that requires daily shots is one of them.



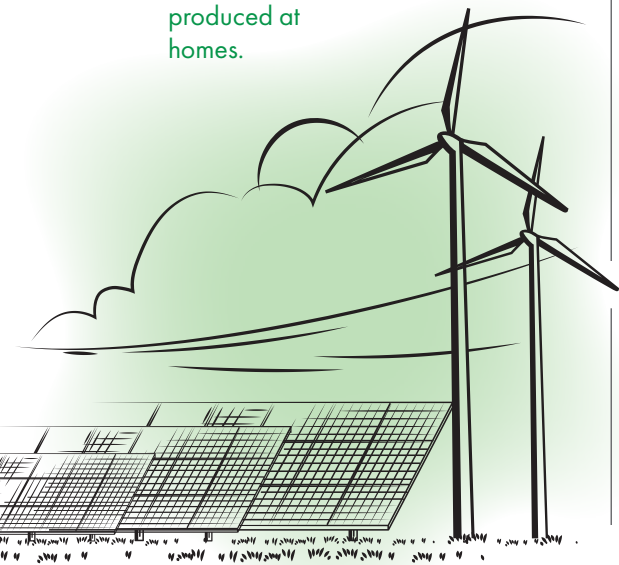
HOUSTON, IT HAS A SOLUTION

HOUSTON IS BUILDING the nation’s largest urban solar farm. It will be assembled on the site of a 240-acre former landfill and produce enough energy to power 25,000 homes. Sunnyside Energy, a coalition of two private solar energy developers and nonprofits, will operate the plant. Residents of the surrounding community can lease or own a piece of the plant, allowing them to earn credits on their power bill.

NEW POWER

OIL GIANT Shell is entering the electricity market. The firm will compete against electricity producers in the U.S. by buying and selling power generated from wind and solar installations in Texas. Shell will expand next into electric markets served by PJM, a buying network of 13 states in the Northeast.

People buying energy from Shell will get fixed prices for their contracts. The London-based firm also will install fast electric vehicle chargers and purchase excess solar produced at homes.



SPOOKY INTERNET

ALBERT EINSTEIN had a crazy idea. Subatomic particles at a distance can be linked; shake one and the other one shakes as well, no matter the distance between them. But he dismissed his “spooky behavior” idea right away. Yet the notion persisted and was proven to be true after his death.

Now, scientists at Delft University of Technology have built a network based on entangled subatomic particles. They used quantum teleportation to send data across three physical locations. The breakthrough could be a step toward a quantum internet to come.



FROM THE LAB

SCIENTISTS HAVE DELIVERED a breakthrough in tissue engineering. Researchers at 3DBio Therapeutics printed a 3D-ear from a patient’s own cells to prevent its rejection. The firm said a patient’s misshapen left ear, which she had from birth, was successfully replaced with a mirror copy of her right ear. The company is growing livers, kidneys, spinal discs and other body parts in the lab.

FAST RESULTS

A PENNINGTON BIOMEDICAL STUDY found that low-protein diets improve metabolic health, reduce frailty and extend the lives of elderly mice. Low-protein diets also improve the health of middle-aged mice and protect them from obesity-related health issues. Cristal M. Hill led the research. Many weighty studies have shown eating less produces health and anti-aging benefits. Pennington’s study is the first to indicate consuming less proteins triggers a hormone that coordinates lifespan extension.





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Davies with board Chair Jennifer Eplett Reilly

CEO JOHN DAVIES RETIRES

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It was 1988. German skater Katarina Witt whipped across the ice to win gold at the Calgary Winter Olympics. The Russians were limping home from Afghanistan. The idea of the World Wide Web was born at CERN.

And John Davies joined the Baton Rouge Area Foundation.

He was a man in a hurry in a town that was idling. To show what bold progress looked like, Davies placed a big bet shortly after he got here. The Foundation granted \$600,000— more than 10% of its \$5 million assets then— to lure George Bray as

the first executive director of Pennington Biomedical Research Center. The center got instant credibility, and Baton Rouge got a boost too. Pennington is now among the world's top nutrition research centers.

Davies repeated that early success, over and over, for the next 33 years. His formula? Seek out ideas that, with the right investment, would slingshot our region, help our communities catch up to their peers in other places and, in some key areas, make Baton Rouge a model for the nation and the world.

Davies announced his retirement in 2021.



A hidden gem

To most, buying a swamp would not be reckoned a good real estate deal. But John Davies envisioned things differently. In his early years at the Foundation, he raised money to purchase the land off Highland Road that became BREC's Bluebonnet Swamp. To seal the deal, Davies talked a holdout property owner into selling. All the land was donated to BREC for the nature center so that residents and tourists alike could appreciate our region's unique and fragile ecosystem.



PUBLIC ART RESTORATION

The Foundation raised private funds to restore the Martin Luther King Jr. monument in downtown Baton Rouge. Then, finding at least nine more pieces of public art that needed to be restored and maintained, the Foundation raised more money, paying to restore the Oliver Pollock and Marcha de Galvez sculptures by Frank Hayden as well as the statue of Hebe in Town Square.

Virginia Noland chaired the committee overseeing the restoration. She led the Foundation's previous art restoration efforts and is a former Foundation board chair. Project partners are Mayor-President Sharon Weston Broome, the Metropolitan Council of East Baton Rouge Parish, the Arts Council of Greater Baton Rouge and its Art in Public Places Advisory Committee, and the Downtown Development District.

NSBR TURNS 10

New Schools for Baton Rouge, an organization established and supported by the Foundation, turned 10 last year. The nonprofit recruits and sponsors top charter schools, holding them accountable if they don't produce results. Basis, which operates some of the top public schools in the United States, opened a second school in Baton Rouge last year. Today, more than 11,000 public education students are taught at schools supported by NSBR. That's about one of every five public school students in the parish.

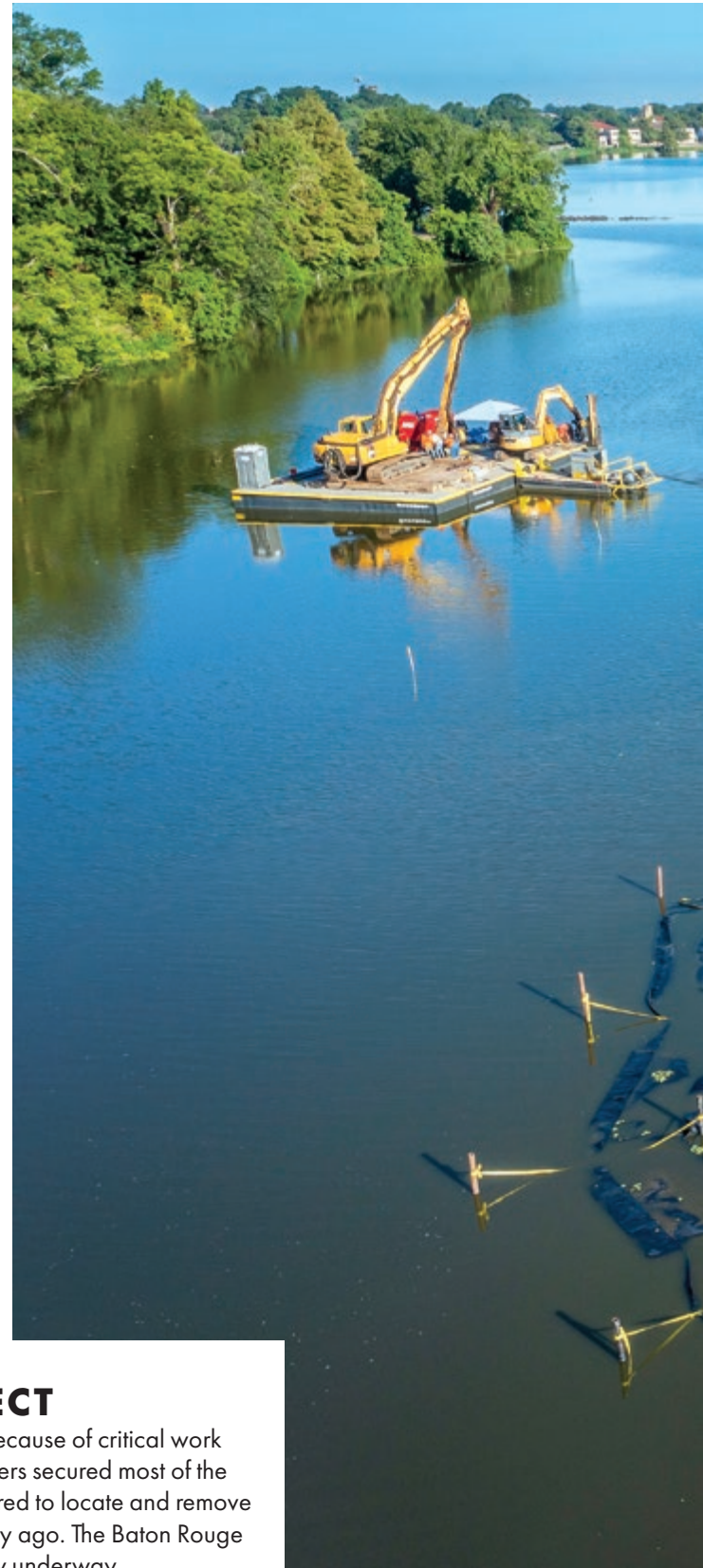




BRIDGE CENTER FOR HOPE

From the idea that people in crisis need help, not prison, came the Bridge Center for Hope. Instead of hauling people with mental health issues and addictions to overcrowded jails, law enforcement began transporting them to Bridge Center on Florida Boulevard in February 2021, where they could get the help they needed. The center can serve up to 5,000 annually.

The Bridge Center was formed by the Foundation to improve mental health services. Voters saw the need, approving \$6 million in annual property taxes to fund operations.



UNIVERSITY/CITY PARK LAKES PROJECT

Implementation of the University/City Park lakes blueprint began this year because of critical work begun in 2021. To deepen the lakes and beautify their surroundings, organizers secured most of the funding and selected final designers for the project. Lake depths were measured to locate and remove stumps left behind when the lakes were created from swamps nearly a century ago. The Baton Rouge Area Foundation raised \$1 million for a master plan, leading to the work now underway.



Y'ALL ABOARD

Imagine spending your travel time between Baton Rouge and New Orleans getting a little extra work done. Maybe enjoying a cocktail during the trip. Or just taking in the view of the wetlands and small towns as you roll through. That's the promise of passenger rail service between the two cities. Last year, that dream sped toward becoming a reality. A lead project of the Foundation, the planned passenger rail between Baton Rouge and New Orleans got some good news. The federal infrastructure package included \$66 billion for passenger rails and, separately, Canadian Pacific signaled it would allow a cargo route it's buying to be used for Amtrak service. Amtrak added the 80-mile BR to NOLA route to its future service map. And, this year, Gov. John Bel Edwards delivered on his pledge to dedicate \$12.5 million to draw federal funds for the service. We're on our way.

60,000

number of people on the route who **live in one city but work in the other**



29,520

people **live in BR** and **work in NOLA**

30,144

people **live in NOLA** and **work in BR**

80 minutes of travel time between BR and NOLA

cost of a **one-way ticket** **\$15**

BR to NOLA proposed stations and distances:





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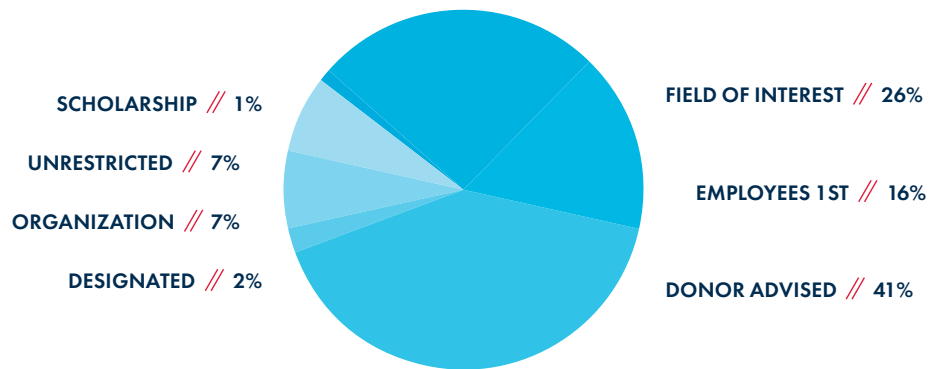
TOTAL GIFTS

2021	2020
\$65.4	\$39.6
MILLION	MILLION
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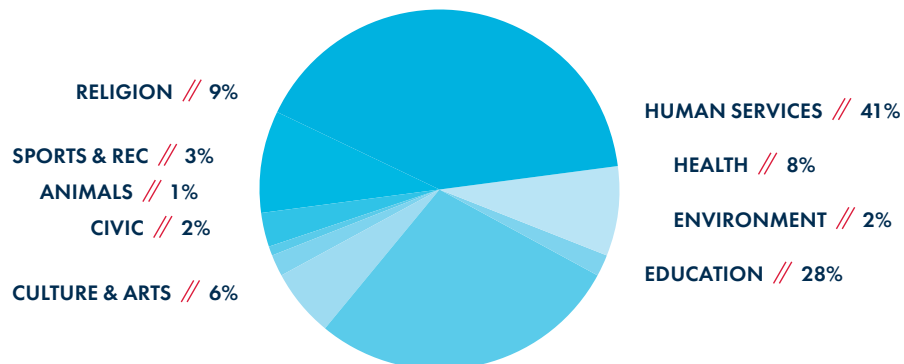
TOTAL GRANTS

2021	2020
\$36.4	\$30.4
MILLION	MILLION
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2021 GRANTS BY TYPES OF FUNDS



2021 GRANTS BY PROGRAM AREA





ANIMALS \$219,898

Capital Area Animal Welfare Society \$1,345
 Capital Area United Way - 225 Gives \$52,500
 Care and Treatment of Neglected and Indigent Pets \$2,700
 Cat Haven Inc. \$5,000
 Center for Orangutan and Chimpanzee Conservation Inc. \$500
 Companion Animal Alliance \$111,600
 Companion Animal Rescue of Ascension \$500
 Friends of the Animals BR Inc. \$2,000
 Friends of the Baton Rouge Zoo \$1,200
 HeckHaven Wildlife Rehabilitation Center \$28,254
 Hobo Hotel, Inc. \$1,100
 Houston Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals \$3,000
 Mission for Paws Rescue and Adoption Inc. \$500
 Second Chance Dog Rescue \$300
 Spay Baton Rouge \$1,000
 St. Tammany Humane Society DBA Northshore Humane Society \$5,400
 The Forgotten Pet Advocates \$3,000
 Civic \$609,760
 Auckland Foundation \$10,000
 Baton Rouge Sponsoring Committee \$6,250
 Bureau of Governmental Research Inc. \$5,000
 Capital Area United Way - 225 Gives \$2,500
 Center for Planning Excellence Inc. \$52,250
 Center for the New Economy Inc. \$1,000
 Chi Omega Foundation \$1,000
 City of Baton Rouge, Parish of East Baton Rouge \$10,000
 City of Lake Charles \$1,000
 Coalition for Louisiana Progress Inc. \$1,000
 Cornplanter Township Volunteer Fire Department \$500
 Criminal Justice Coordinating Council \$1,000
 Fondren Renaissance Foundation \$1,000

Forum 35 Inc. \$2,500
 Foundation for a Better Louisiana \$15,200
 Greater Baton Rouge Economic Partnership Inc. \$80,000
 Hargrove Foundation \$15,000
 Junior League of Baton Rouge Inc. \$5,000
 Leadership Ascension Foundation \$20,000
 Lighthouse Christian Fellowship Church \$25,000
 Mid City Redevelopment Alliance Inc. \$300
 National Redistricting Foundation \$50,000
 Public Affairs Research Council of Louisiana Inc. \$6,500
 Rotary Club of Baton Rouge Inc. Foundation \$500
 Southwest Louisiana Alliance Foundation Inc \$55,000
 St. Tammany Parish Development District \$85,129
 The Foundation for Outdoor Advertising Research and Education \$5,000
 The Greater New Orleans Foundation \$10,100
 The Idea Village \$100,000
 The Suffolk Community Foundation \$11,031
 The Summit Foundation \$1,000
 ULI Foundation \$1,000
 Urban League of Louisiana \$1,000
 West Baton Rouge Sheriff's Office \$28,000

CULTURE & ARTS \$2,317,711

A House Unbuilt \$19,500
 Acadiana Center for the Arts \$2,500
 AFS Intercultural Programs Inc. \$250
 Alliance Francaise de la Nouvelle Orleans \$2,500
 American Public Media Group \$200
 Ars Lyrica Houston \$4,000
 Arts and Humanities Council of Southwest Louisiana Inc \$1,500
 Arts Council of Greater Baton Rouge Inc.

\$301,636
 Arts Council of New Orleans \$25,000
 Authors Guild Foundation Inc. \$1,000
 Barak Ballet \$5,000
 Baton Rouge Ballet Theatre Inc. \$1,500
 Baton Rouge Gallery Inc. \$33,500
 Baton Rouge High School Foundation \$300
 Baton Rouge Opera Guild \$9,239
 Baton Rouge Progressive Network \$1,000
 Baton Rouge Symphony League Inc. \$1,000
 Bayou Lacombe Museum \$250
 Black Heritage Festival of Louisiana \$5,000
 Camp Van Dorn World War II Museum \$100
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 Center for the Arts - Crested Butte \$2,500
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 City of Mandeville \$975
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 Creative Relief Northshore \$600
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 Crested Butte Mountain Educational Radio Inc. \$1,000
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GroundTruth Project Inc. \$25,000	LSU Foundation - LSU Ag Center Botanic Gardens at Burden \$1,000	Preservation Kentucky, Inc. \$300
Hammond Cultural Foundation Inc. \$100	LSU Foundation - LSU Museum of Art \$89,000	ProPublica Inc. \$2,500
Houston Chamber Choir \$1,500	LSU Foundation - School of Art Gallery Support Fund \$200	Radio Maria Spanish Inc \$1,000
Houston Grand Opera Association \$2,000	Marigny Opera House Foundation \$20,000	Red Shoes Inc. \$51,200
Imperial Calcasieu Mardi Gras Museum \$5,000	Martha Graham Center for Contemporary Dance Inc. \$10,000	Roots of Music Inc. \$15,000
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International Center for Journalists Inc. \$70,000	Metropolitan Opera Association Inc. \$1,000	Shaw Center for the Arts \$25,000
International Hospitality Foundation LSU \$1,500	Museum of the Southern Jewish Experience \$52,500	Slidell Womens Civic Club \$400
James Dick Foundation for the Performing Arts \$1,000	National Trust for Historic Preservation \$10,000	Southeast Louisiana Veterans Cemetery \$880
Jazz Foundation of America Inc. \$1,500	National Underground Railroad Freedom Center Inc. \$100	Southern Rep \$5,000
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 Young Aspirations-Young Artists Inc. \$5,000

EDUCATION \$10,351,243

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 Academy of the Sacred Heart New Orleans Foundation Inc. \$1,800
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 Acadia Parish Schools - South Rayne Elementary School \$1,000
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 Alabama State University and Diamond Sampson \$2,000
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 Ascension Parish School Board - Gonzales Middle School \$1,092
 Ascension Parish School Board - Prairieville Middle School \$2,000
 Ascension Parish School Board - Sorrento Primary School \$963
 Ascension Parish School Board - Sugar Mill Primary School \$2,395
 Assumption Parish School Board - Labadieville Elementary School \$500
 Austin Community Foundation \$400

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 Baton Rouge Christian Education Foundation Inc. - The Dunham School \$292,723
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 Baton Rouge Youth Coalition Inc. \$326,084
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 Calcasieu Parish School Board - Western Heights Elementary School \$4,000
 Calcasieu Parish School Board - Westlake High School \$5,000
 Calcasieu Parish School Board - Westwood Elementary School \$8,000
 Cambiar Education \$133,334
 Camelback Ventures Inc. \$50,000
 Cape Eleuthera Foundation Inc. \$10,000
 Capital Area United Way - 225 Gives \$77,600

Carleton College \$100
 Catholic High School \$100,000
 Catholic High School Foundation \$41,770
 Catholic of Pointe Coupee \$1,000
 Centenary College of Louisiana and Emily Clarke \$4,000
 Chemical Educational Foundation \$50,000
 Children's Education Foundation - Vietnam \$7,000
 Christ School Inc. \$10,000
 City Year Inc. \$80,000
 City Year Inc. - Baton Rouge \$274,500
 College for Social Innovation Inc. \$5,000
 College Foundation of the University of Virginia \$1,500
 Congregation B'nai Israel of Baton Rouge \$1,500
 Crestview High School \$1,000
 Cristo Rey Baton Rouge \$36,500
 Delgado Community College and Damion V. Restivo \$4,000
 Delta Gamma Foundation \$300
 Delta Waterfowl Foundation \$12,500
 Dillard University National Alumni Association Inc. \$2,000
 Dream Teachers \$32,500
 Ducks Unlimited Inc. \$10,000
 Duke University - Sanford School of Public Policy \$50,000
 Dyslexia Association of Greater Baton Rouge Inc. \$2,669
 East Baton Rouge Parish Library \$3,333
 East Feliciana Parish School Board \$290
 East Feliciana Parish School Board - Clinton Elementary School \$1,200
 East Feliciana Parish School Board - Jackson Elementary School \$1,000
 East Mississippi Community College \$500
 East St. Tammany Rainbow Childcare Center \$7,500
 East-West Center Foundation \$300
 EBRPSS - Baton Rouge Magnet High School \$1,450
 EBRPSS - Belaire High School \$1,000
 EBRPSS - Capitol Elementary School \$700



EBRPSS - Dufrocq Elementary School \$2,479
 EBRPSS - Exceptional Student Services (ESS) \$2,000
 EBRPSS - Glasgow Middle School \$500
 EBRPSS - Glen Oaks Park Elementary School \$700
 EBRPSS - LaSalle Elementary School \$2,000
 EBRPSS - Magnolia Woods Elementary School \$3,100
 EBRPSS - Mayfair Laboratory School \$700
 EBRPSS - Park Elementary School \$2,000
 EBRPSS - Scotlandville Pre-Engineering Magnet Academy \$2,000
 EBRPSS - Southeast Middle School \$1,500
 EBRPSS - Tara High School \$2,490
 EBRPSS - Westdale Middle School \$1,500
 EBRPSS - Winbourne Elementary School \$1,000
 Edgar Martin Middle School \$2,200
 EdNavigator Inc. \$333,334
 Education Trust Inc. \$88,890
 Educational Fund to Stop Gun Violence \$1,000
 Educators for Quality Alternatives / The NET Charter School: Gentilly \$2,189
 Edward Douglas White Catholic High School Foundation, Inc. \$350
 Einstein Group \$2,500
 Elon University \$5,000
 Emerge School for Autism Inc \$10,000
 Emory & Henry College and Madeline Bishop \$1,000
 Episcopal High School of Baton Rouge \$421,831
 EPSB - Chataignier Elementary School \$700
 EPSB - Ville Platte Elementary School \$700
 First Baptist Church of Houma / Covenant Church \$1,000
 Firstline Schools Inc. - Langston Hughes Academy \$2,000
 Fishers Island Library Assoc \$5,000
 Florida Gulf Coast University and Isabella Billings \$500
 Foundation for East Baton Rouge School System \$23,000
 Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady University

\$2,500
 Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady University and Brandt Bozant \$1,000
 French Camp Academy \$10,000
 Gadsden State Community College \$500
 Gardere Community Christian School \$2,000
 Georgia Institute of Technology \$3,000
 Georgia Tech Foundation Inc. \$5,000
 GIVE Foundation \$450
 Gould Academy \$200,000
 Govern For America \$50,000
 Grambling State University \$1,000
 Greater Baton Rouge Economic Partnership Inc. \$146,000
 Greater Baton Rouge Economic Partnership Inc./YEA \$10,000
 Groton School \$10,000
 Hannah's Klozet \$1,000
 Harding Academy \$250
 Hillsdale College \$500
 Hindman Settlement School Inc. \$500
 Hollins University Corporation \$2,500
 Howard Bishop Middle School \$2,500
 Howard University \$2,000
 Humanities Amped \$21,000
 Iberia Parish School System - Belle Place Middle School \$400
 Iberia Parish School System - Center Street Elementary School \$400
 Iberia Parish School System - Delcambre Elementary School \$700
 Iberia Parish School System - Magnolia Elementary School \$1,200
 Iberia Parish School System - New Iberia Senior High School \$400
 Iberia Parish School System - Park Elementary School \$700
 Iberia Parish School System - Pesson Elementary School \$400
 Iberville Foundation for Academic Excellence \$25,120
 Indiana Wesleyan University and Owen Hnatyshyn \$2,000
 Inside Track, Inc. \$75,000
 International Community Foundation \$500

IPSB - North Iberville Elementary School \$2,200
 Isidore Newman School \$600
 J. K. Haynes Elementary Charter School \$1,200
 Jacksonville State University \$1,500
 Jefferson Davis Parish School Board - Jennings Elementary \$250
 Jefferson Davis Parish School Board - Jennings High School \$250
 Jefferson Parish Public School System - Lincoln Elementary School for the Arts \$1,200
 Jefferson Parish Public School System - Washington Elementary School \$3,800
 Jesuit High School of New Orleans \$9,600
 Junior Achievement of Greater Baton Rouge and Acadiana \$65,500
 Kappa Alpha Order Educational Foundation \$100
 Kappa Delta Foundation, Inc. \$350
 Kappa Kappa Gamma Foundation \$2,100
 Karren's Kids Inc. \$250
 Kenner Discovery Health Sciences Academy \$2,000
 L. H. Williams Elementary School \$2,500
 Lafourche Parish Public Schools - C.M. Washington Elementary School \$1,000
 LCTCS Foundation \$22,749
 Lemont High School Educational Foundation \$10,000
 Life of a Single Mom \$5,000
 LINE 4 LINE \$1,000
 Literacy Council of Highlands Inc. \$1,500
 Louise S. McGehee School \$1,750
 Louisiana Architectural Foundation \$5,000
 Louisiana Construction Education Foundation \$135,000
 Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities \$2,500
 Louisiana Key Academy \$3,000
 Louisiana Leadership Institute \$4,000
 Louisiana Resource Center for Educators \$1,750
 Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts Foundation \$100
 Louisiana School for the Deaf Foundation



\$1,500	Business \$58,500	Nicholls State University Foundation \$145,000
Louisiana State University - Alexandria \$1,500	LSU Foundation - LSU Libraries \$650	Noble Minds Inc. / Noble Minds Institute for Whole Child Learning \$2,000
Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College \$51,500	LSU Foundation - LSU Press \$17,000	Northwestern State University and Hallie Guidry \$500
Louisiana State University and Ethan Abbenante \$1,000	LSU Foundation - Manship School of Mass Communication \$1,500	Northwestern State University and Keeley James \$500
Louisiana State University and Jacob Miller \$3,125	LSU Foundation - Manship School of Mass Communication Excellence Fund \$3,000	Northwestern State University of Louisiana \$1,000
Louisiana State University and Kentrae Lewis \$2,000	LSU Foundation - Paul M. Hebert Law Center \$14,650	Northwestern University \$1,000
Louisiana State University and Nathan J. Lopez \$2,000	LSU Foundation - School of Music \$150	NWEA \$525,000
Louisiana State University at Eunice Foundation \$50,000	LSU Foundation - School of Social Work \$500	Ohio State University Foundation \$12,500
Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center and Sabrina Miller \$2,000	LSU Foundation - Shreveport \$1,000	Okaloosa STEM Academy \$2,500
Louisiana Superintendents Academy \$50,000	LSU Foundation - University Lab School Foundation \$15,800	Omicron Beta Foundation Inc. \$1,000
Louisiana Tech University \$1,500	Manners of the Heart \$1,000	Opportunity Labs Foundation, Inc. \$50,000
Louisiana Tech University and Abigail Hagood \$1,000	Marion County Literacy Council, Inc. \$5,000	Our Lady Immaculate Catholic School \$3,500
Louisiana Tech University and Joshua Authement \$2,000	McNeese State University and Courtney Smith \$1,000	Our Lady of Mercy Catholic School \$6,500
Louisiana Tech University Foundation Inc. \$3,000	McNeese State University Foundation \$139,300	Our Lady of Prompt Succor School \$250
Louisiana Universities Marine Consortium (LUMCON) \$9,900	Metairie Park Country Day School \$1,500	Pahara Institute \$222,222
Louisiana Youth Seminar Inc. \$10,000	MetroMorphosis \$50,000	Parent Booster USA Inc. / Dark Matter Community Team \$562
Loyola Educational Corporation of Shreveport \$1,000	Millsaps College \$2,500	Pat Brister Legacy Scholarship Fund \$2,500
Loyola University New Orleans \$2,500	Millsaps College and Miss Chloe Beebe \$1,000	Patrons of the East Baton Rouge Parish Public Library \$100
LPPS - Albany Lower Elementary School \$1,000	Mississippi College \$500	PCPSB - STEM Magnet Academy of Pointe Coupee \$6,300
LPPS - Denham Springs Elementary School \$15,000	Mississippi State University \$1,500	Pearl River Community College \$2,000
LPSB - Freshwater Elementary School \$1,000	Mississippi State University and Jackson Daughdrill \$500	Pointe Coupee Parish School Board - Rougon Elementary School \$2,500
LSU Alumni Association \$11,450	Monroe City Schools - Madison James Foster Elementary School \$1,000	Pointe Coupee Private School System Inc. \$1,000
LSU and Nicole Maisano \$1,000	Mount Vernon Presbyterian School Inc. \$4,000	Pope John Paul II High School \$115,000
LSU and Shaylie Raeann Poche \$2,000	Murray State University Foundation \$500	Prairie View A&M University \$714
LSU Foundation \$123,100	N. B. Cook Elementary School of the Arts \$850	President and Fellows of Harvard College \$20,000
LSU Foundation - College of Art and Design \$1,100	Natchitoches Parish School Board - Goldonna Elementary School \$1,000	President and Fellows of Harvard College - David Rockefeller Center for Latin Am \$10,000
LSU Foundation - College of Engineering \$1,675	National Center for Teacher Residencies, Inc. \$69,000	Propel America \$500,000
LSU Foundation - College of Science \$450	New Orleans Adventist Academy \$1,000	Quixote Foundation \$10,000
LSU Foundation - College of the Coast and Environment \$5,000	New Orleans Career Center \$133,334	Rapides Parish School Board - Alexandria Middle Magnet School \$1,000
LSU Foundation - E.J. Ourso College of	New Schools for Baton Rouge \$275,000	Rapides Parish School Board - Mabel Brasher Montessori School \$700
	New Schools for New Orleans Inc. \$1,750,000	Rene Rost Middle School \$1,300
	New York University \$500	Research Park Corporation \$225
	Nicholls State University \$4,500	



Rhodes College \$5,000	St. Joseph's Indian School \$1,000	The Original Richland Library Restoration Society Inc. \$3,415
Rhodes College and Margaret Larsen \$2,000	St. Jude the Apostle Catholic School \$500	The Rectors and Visitors of the University of Virginia \$100,000
Rice University \$25,000	St. Labre Indian School \$1,000	The Saint Pauls School Foundation \$14,900
River Parishes Community College Foundation \$10,000	St. Lillian Academy \$3,000	The University of Mississippi \$4,000
Rotary Club of Baton Rouge Inc. Foundation \$500	St. Louis Catholic High School \$2,000	The University of Tennessee, Knoxville \$3,000
Sacred Heart School \$5,000	St. Louis Catholic High School Foundation \$1,000	The University of Texas at Austin \$3,250
SHPSB - St. Helena Arts & Technology Academy \$1,200	St. Mary's Catholic School \$100	The Writing Revolution Inc. \$25,000
Silver Sands School \$1,465	St. Michael Special School \$12,000	Three Peaks Scholarship Fund \$500
SJA Foundation \$1,000	St. Scholastica Academy \$250	Thrive Foundation \$97,000
South Louisiana Community College \$1,500	St. Stephen's and St. Agnes School Foundation \$8,000	Tostan Inc. \$1,000
Southeastern Development Foundation Inc \$100	St. Tammany Parish School Board - E. E. Lyon Elementary School \$1,000	Trinity Episcopal Day School \$201,020
Southeastern Louisiana University \$12,250	St. Tammany Parish School Board - Carolyn Park Middle School \$1,500	Trustees of Columbia University in the City of New York \$100
Southeastern Louisiana University and Dara Cutrer \$2,500	St. Tammany Parish School Board - Fontainebleau High School \$1,300	Trustees of Dartmouth College \$2,000
Southeastern Louisiana University and Hope Mejia \$2,000	St. Tammany Parish School Board - Mandeville Middle School \$900	Trustees of Princeton University \$250
Southern Methodist University \$1,500	St. Tammany Parish School Board - Pitcher Junior High School \$1,498	Trustees of the University of Pennsylvania \$2,000
Southern University and A&M College \$8,500	Strada Collaborative, Inc. / InsideTrack \$37,500	Tulane Alumni Association \$1,294
Southern University System Foundation \$171,809	Tangipahoa Parish School System \$10,000	Tulane University and Meghan G. Lackner \$2,000
SOWELA Technical Community College Foundation \$40,817	Tangipahoa Parish School System - Midway Elementary School \$700	University of Connecticut Foundation Inc. \$100
St. Alban's Chapel \$100	Tanzania Education Corp \$158,096	University Of Georgia Foundation \$100
St. Albans School - School of Public Service \$1,000	Teach for America Inc. - Greater New Orleans \$100	University of Houston \$1,500
St. Aloysius Catholic School \$3,800	Teach for America Inc. - South Louisiana \$355,000	University of Louisiana at Lafayette \$4,000
St. Andrew's - Sewanee School \$500	Terrebonne Parish School District - Acadian Elementary School \$1,000	University of Louisiana at Lafayette and Katherine Hancock \$1,000
St. Augustine High School \$500	Texas A&M University \$3,000	University of Louisiana at Lafayette and Morgan Futch \$1,000
St. Charles Catholic High School \$100	The Administrators of the Tulane Educational Fund \$43,750	University of Louisiana at Monroe \$5,000
St. Francis Episcopal Day School \$5,000	The Administrators of the Tulane Educational Fund - Tulane University Law School \$2,600	University of Louisiana Lafayette and Kenzie Hanks \$2,000
St. Francis Xavier Catholic School \$500	The Ascension Fund Inc. \$65,540	University of Minnesota Foundation \$714
St. George Catholic School \$500	The Awty International School \$12,000	University of Mississippi Foundation \$1,000
St. George's Episcopal School \$250	The Breakthrough Collaborative Inc. \$1,200	University of New Orleans Foundation \$10,250
St. Gerard Majella Church \$1,000	The Brighton School \$1,500	University of Richmond \$250
St. James Episcopal Day School \$6,750	The Cotuit Library Association \$2,500	University of Southern Mississippi \$5,000
St. John The Baptist Parish School System - Fifth Ward Elementary School \$1,000	The Forman School Inc. \$5,000	University of Southern Mississippi and Callie Matthews \$2,000
St. John The Baptist Parish School System - West St. John Elementary School \$700	The Howard School Inc. \$1,000	University of the Cumberlands Inc. \$1,000
St. Joseph's Academy \$15,100		University of the South \$32,500
		Urban League of Louisiana \$50,000



Vassar College \$5,000
 Vermillion Parish School Board - Dozier Elementary School \$1,000
 Volunteer Ascension \$500
 Volunteers In Public Schools Inc. \$52,700
 Washington & Lee University \$100
 Wellesley College \$10,000
 West Baton Rouge Foundation for Academic Excellence \$27,151
 West Baton Rouge Parish School Board - Caneview K-8 School \$1,000
 West Baton Rouge Parish School Board - Cohn Elementary School \$500
 West Baton Rouge Parish School Board - Port Allen Middle School \$2,000
 West Feliciana Education Foundation \$1,000
 West Feliciana Parish Schools - West Feliciana High School \$1,000
 Western Carolina Community Action Inc. \$10,000
 Wiley College \$714
 Winn Parish School Board - Calvin High School \$1,000
 Xavier University of Louisiana \$1,500
 Yale University \$2,000
 YMCA of Metropolitan Dallas / The Rise School of Dallas \$5,000
 Young Leaders' Academy of Baton Rouge \$10,100
 Young Men's Christian Association of Northwest Florida Inc. \$5,000

ENVIRONMENT \$583,079

Audubon Nature Institute Inc. \$2,500
 Barnstable Land Trust Inc. \$2,500
 Baton Rouge Green Association Inc. \$127,498
 BREADA - Big River Economic & Agricultural Development Alliance \$101,250
 Capital Area United Way - 225 Gives \$7,000
 CCA Louisiana Foundation \$1,000
 Coastal Conservation Association - Louisiana \$200
 Downstream Project \$250
 Ducks Unlimited Inc. \$1,429

Earthjustice \$500
 Friends of Hilltop Arboretum Inc. \$15,050
 Jane Goodall Institute for Wildlife Research Education and Conservation \$500
 Keep Covington Beautiful Inc. \$100
 Longue Vue House and Gardens \$1,500
 Louisiana Environmental Action Network Inc. \$1,000
 Louisiana Universities Marine Consortium (LUMCON) \$38,065
 Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Foundation \$135,100
 Louisiana Wildlife Federation Inc. \$200
 LSU Foundation - College of the Coast and Environment \$5,000
 LSU Foundation - LSU Ag Center Botanic Gardens at Burden \$32,000
 National Audubon Society Inc. - Audubon Louisiana \$4,650
 National Park Foundation \$1,000
 National Parks Conservation Association \$500
 National Wildlife Federation \$100
 Nature Conservancy \$1,250
 Nature Conservancy - Louisiana \$81,965
 Park County Environmental Council \$2,200
 Recreation and Park Commission for the Parish of East Baton Rouge \$4,222
 Sierra Club Foundation \$600
 Southern Garden Symposium \$250
 The Coalition to Restore Coastal Louisiana \$3,600
 The Friends of the Rural Life Museum Inc. \$1,500
 The International Dark-Sky Association Inc. \$100
 The Tanzania Wildlife Fund Inc. / African Rainforest Conservancy \$3,000
 The Walls Project \$5,000
 Yosemite Foundation \$500
 Health \$3,017,239
 Alzheimer's Association - Dallas and Northeast Texas Chapter \$500
 Alzheimer's Association - Louisiana Chapter \$100
 Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Association Inc. \$100

Alzheimer's Services of the Capital Area \$6,016
 American Cancer Society Inc. \$2,500
 American Cancer Society Inc. - Lake Charles \$18,991
 American Cancer Society Inc. - Mid-South Division \$200
 American Diabetes Association Inc. - Louisiana and Mississippi \$1,000
 American Heart Association Inc. - Greater New Orleans \$5,250
 American Heart Association Inc. - Greater Southeast Affiliate \$38,670
 American National Red Cross - Southeast Louisiana Chapter \$500
 Angelica Patient Assistance Program Inc. \$1,500
 Autism Speaks Inc. \$1,000
 Baton Rouge Regional Eye Bank Inc. \$20,000
 Baton Rouge Speech and Hearing Foundation \$35,000
 Beauregard Health System Foundation \$50,000
 Bella Bowman Foundation Inc. \$2,500
 Blindness-Learning in New Dimensions Inc. \$10,000
 Blue Ridge Mountains Health Project Inc. \$500
 Calcasieu Community Clinic \$3,000
 Camp Kesem National \$700
 Cancer Services Inc. \$262,170
 Capital Area United Way - 225 Gives \$42,000
 Cerebral Palsy Association of Greater Baton Rouge Inc./McMains Children's Develo \$68,050
 Chippin' in for St. Jude \$4,000
 Community Chest, Inc \$5,900
 Crippled Childrens Foundation \$500
 Cystic Fibrosis Foundation \$3,000
 Cystic Fibrosis Foundation - Baton Rouge \$500
 Cystic Fibrosis Foundation - New Orleans \$1,000
 Doctors Without Borders USA Inc. \$7,500
 Dream Day Foundation \$10,000
 Emerge Center Inc. \$59,700
 First Baptist Church Covington \$4,060



Foundation for Woman's \$58,065
 General Health System Foundation \$22,900
 Gulf Coast Equality Council \$500
 Harrison Central High School Band Boosters \$100
 Healthnetwork Foundation \$6,000
 HeartGift Foundation \$15,000
 Highlands-Cashiers Health Foundation Inc. \$2,000
 Homes for Our Troops \$2,000
 Hospice Foundation of Greater Baton Rouge \$44,693
 Huntington's Disease Society of America, Inc. \$500
 International Cancer Advocacy Network \$10,000
 JDRF International - Georgia Chapter \$1,000
 JDRF International - Louisiana \$14,500
 LCMC Health Children's Hospital Inc. \$65,200
 Leukemia and Lymphoma Society Inc. \$500
 Leukemia and Lymphoma Society Inc. - Mississippi/Louisiana Chapter \$6,100
 Local Heart Foundation \$8,500
 Louisiana Lions Eye Foundation Inc. \$5,000
 Louisiana Pediatric Cardiology Foundation \$16,500
 Louisiana Public Health Institute \$49,900
 March of Dimes Inc. - Louisiana \$17,380
 Mary Bird Perkins Cancer Center \$229,423
 Mary Bird Perkins Cancer Center Foundation \$85,000
 Mayor's Healthy City Initiative \$2,500
 Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center \$100
 Miles Perret Cancer Center Services \$750
 Miracle Foundation \$3,780
 Morning Star Rising Inc. \$250
 Muscular Dystrophy Association \$1,500
 National Jewish Health \$500
 National Kidney Foundation of Louisiana, Inc. \$100
 Ochsner Clinic Foundation \$522,000
 Ollie Steele Burden Manor Inc. \$1,558
 Opera Louisiane Inc. \$3,000

Our Lady of the Lake Foundation \$232,525
 Parkinson's Research Foundation \$200
 Partners in Health \$12,000
 Pennington Biomedical Research Foundation \$321,500
 Planned Parenthood of the Gulf Coast Inc. \$41,000
 Project HOPE the People to People Health Foundation Inc. \$500
 Ray of Hope Cancer Foundation \$500
 SCAD Alliance \$200
 Sight Savers America \$10,000
 Smile Train Inc. \$200
 St. Jude Children's Research Hospital Inc. \$7,100
 St. Nicholas Center for Children \$3,000
 St. Tammany Hospital Foundation \$46,000
 Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation - Baton Rouge \$4,000
 Ten Thousand Beds, Inc. \$100,000
 The Administrators of the Tulane Educational Fund \$55,000
 The Administrators of the Tulane Educational Fund - Tulane Cancer Center \$1,000
 The Center for Mind-Body Medicine \$250,507
 The John Hopkins Hospital \$1,000
 The Mental Health Association for Greater Baton Rouge \$60,100
 Touch Ministries Inc. \$5,000
 University of Texas Foundation \$2,000
 Youth for Christ USA Inc. - Mississippi Gulf Coast \$700

HUMAN SERVICES
\$8,879,512

100 Black Men of Metropolitan Baton Rouge \$76,000
 2nd District American Legion Dept of Louisiana \$5,000
 A House Unbuilt \$1,500
 Abraham's Tent Association \$5,250
 Acadiana Outreach Center, Inc. \$2,500
 Action for Disadvantaged People (An Indigenous NGO) \$6,625

Acts of Love Inc. \$25,500
 Adaptive Sports Center of Crested Butte Inc. \$5,000
 Alameda County Community Food Bank \$200
 Alexander Milne Development Services \$1,000
 All Hands and Hearts Smart Response Inc. \$125,000
 Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Association Inc. \$1,000
 Alzheimer's Services of the Capital Area \$28,850
 American Civil Liberties Union Foundation \$100
 American Friends Service Committee \$500
 American National Red Cross - Headquarters \$5,500
 American National Red Cross - Louisiana Capital Area \$50,860
 American National Red Cross - Southeast Louisiana Chapter \$5,200
 AmeriCares Foundation Inc. \$500
 America's Warrior Partnership Inc. \$1,937
 AMlkids Foundation Inc. \$10,000
 Amitie The Marsha Amato Memorial Foundation for Suicide Prevention \$4,800
 Ascension of Our Lord Catholic Church \$10,000
 Ascension Parish Sheriff's Office \$1,000
 Assistance League of Atlanta \$100
 Attic Trash and Treasure \$30,000
 Autism Services of Southwest Louisiana Inc. \$2,100
 Autism Speaks Inc. \$3,000
 Avenue U YMCA \$100
 AVM Research Foundation \$5,000
 Bail Project Inc. \$200
 Barriere Construction Employee Assistance Fund \$50,000
 Baton Rouge Area Violence Elimination Inc. / Truce Baton Rouge Inc. \$10,000
 Baton Rouge Bar Foundation \$1,300
 Baton Rouge Child Advocacy Center \$67,500
 Baton Rouge Crime Stoppers Inc. \$110,000
 Baton Rouge Crisis Intervention Center Inc. \$30,656



Baton Rouge Epicurean Society LLC \$2,500	Catholic Charities of Acadiana \$30,000	Crossroads NOLA \$100
Bayou Community Foundation \$317,950	Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Baton Rouge Inc. \$275,500	Dallas Children's Advocacy Center \$10,000
Bella Bowman Foundation Inc. \$1,500	Catholic Relief Services Inc. \$250	Dance tHerAPPY \$3,000
Berea Faith Community Outreach, Inc. \$300	Central Asia Institute \$1,000	Dewannas Community Closet A Nonprofit Corporation \$1,750
Beyond the Badge \$714	Cerebral Palsy Association of Greater Baton Rouge Inc./McMains Children's Develo \$3,000	Dialogue on Race Louisiana \$10,000
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southwest Louisiana Inc. \$10,000	Change Lives Now \$1,000	Direct Relief \$500
Big Brown Cares Fund \$18,000	Child Advocacy Services Inc. \$2,600	Donate Life America \$3,000
Boy Scouts of America - Calcasieu Area Council \$13,500	Children's Advocacy Center Hope House \$31,600	East Baton Rouge District Attorney's Office \$148,300
Boy Scouts of America - Istrouma Area Council \$139,593	Children's Cup \$2,000	East Baton Rouge First Responders Fund \$125,000
Boys & Girls Clubs of Acadiana Inc. \$2,000	Children's Museum of St. Tammany Inc. \$3,000	East Baton Rouge Office of the Public Defender \$42,500
Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Baton Rouge Inc. \$131,600	Children's Water Safety Awareness \$1,000	East Baton Rouge Parish Council on the Aging Inc. \$700
Boys & Girls Clubs of Southeast Louisiana \$100	Children's Wish Endowment, Inc. \$4,400	East Baton Rouge Parish Housing Authority \$2,500
Boys and Girls Villages Foundation \$1,750	Christ Episcopal Church \$300	East Baton Rouge Truancy Assessment Inc. \$54,000
Boys Hope Girls Hope of New Orleans \$4,000	Christian Aid Ministries \$70,000	East St. Tammany Habitat for Humanity \$20,000
BREADA Small Farm Survival Fund \$82,780	Christ's Community Church \$10,000	East St. Tammany Rainbow Childcare Center \$100
Bridge Center for Hope \$750	City of Baton Rouge, Parish of East Baton Rouge \$86,685	EBRPSS - Tara High School \$1,000
Bridge House Corporation \$3,200	City of Covington \$1,000	Education and Treatment Council Inc. \$1,750
Brilliant Mindz Inc. \$2,000	City of Natchitoches \$1,500	ElderHeart Inc. \$1,637
Building Better Families Inc. \$3,200	City of Port Allen \$1,000	Emerge Center Inc. \$5,079
Calcasieu Parish Voluntary Council on the Aging Inc. \$3,000	Commission Mankind \$2,500	Employee Assistance Foundation \$100
Capital Area Agency on Aging District II \$2,118	Commonwealth Catholic Charities \$500	Employee Assistance Foundation / Bollinger Employees 1st Fund \$31,000
Capital Area Agency on Aging District II - St. Helena Council on Aging \$5,000	Community Chest, Inc \$3,500	Employee Assistance Foundation / Rev Broadband Employees 1st Fund \$150,000
Capital Area Alliance for the Homeless \$31,000	Community Christian Concern of Slidell \$7,500	Empower 225 \$5,100
Capital Area Animal Welfare Society \$815	Community Foundation of West Kentucky Inc. \$1,000	Equal Justice Initiative \$2,500
Capital Area CASA Association \$1,900	Community Solutions of the Emerald Coast \$5,000	Evergreen Foundation \$500
Capital Area Family Violence Battered Women's Program \$57,300	Compassion International, Inc. \$5,000	Exceptional Lives Inc. \$175,200
Capital Area United Way \$241,816	Comprehensive Medical Mentoring Program \$1,000	Face to Face Health & Counseling Service Inc. \$5,000
Capital Area United Way - 225 Gives \$135,000	Connections for Life \$25,000	Family And Youth Counseling Agency \$100,000
CARC, Inc \$1,750	Cooperative for Assistance and Relief Everywhere Inc. \$1,000	Family Life Federation \$500
Care Help of Sulphur Inc. \$1,750	Covenant House New Orleans \$15,000	Family Promise of St. Tammany Parish \$15,000
Carey Baptist Association \$20,000	Covington Presbyterian Church \$10,000	Father Flanagans Boys Home - Boys Town Louisiana \$2,200
CASA of Central Louisiana Inc. \$1,000	Credit Bureau of Baton Rouge Foundation Relief and Recovery Fund \$200,000	Fire Protection No.2 of Ward 4 Calcasieu
Catholic Charities Archdiocese of New Orleans \$30,000	Crimestoppers Inc \$2,200	
	Cristo Rey Baton Rouge \$1,600	



Parish \$23,100
 First Baptist Church Covington \$21,440
 Foster the Love Louisiana Inc. \$3,776
 Fostering Community \$1,000
 Friends of Cantera Inc. \$10,000
 Front Yard Bikes \$16,875
 Full of Grace \$100
 Fuller Center Disaster ReBuilders Inc \$285,000
 GaitWay Therapeutic Horsemanship \$140,000
 Gardere Initiative Inc. \$3,087
 Getting Ready for Advanced Academic Destinations \$500
 Girl Scouts - Audubon Council Inc. \$500
 Gladewaves \$5,000
 Global Hunger Project \$600
 God's Unchanging Hands Feeding Ministry \$600
 Grant's Gift Foundation Inc. \$9,500
 Greater Baton Rouge Food Bank Inc. \$85,444
 Greater New Orleans Development Foundation \$5,000
 Greater New Orleans Educational Television Foundation \$350
 Grief Recovery Center \$5,000
 Habitat for Humanity International Inc. \$500
 Habitat for Humanity of Greater Baton Rouge \$10,750
 Habitat for Humanity St. Tammany West \$48,700
 Hancock Community Development Foundation \$1,000
 Harry Tompson Center Inc. \$2,500
 Haven Inc. \$20,000
 Heifer Project International \$1,000
 Heritage Ranch \$21,875
 Hermes Beyond The Parade Foundation \$1,500
 Holy Ghost Catholic Church \$1,000
 Homes for Our Troops \$25,000
 Hope \$3,000
 Hope Hotel \$300,000
 Hope Landing Inc. \$1,500
 HOPE Ministries of Baton Rouge \$87,750

HOPE Ministry of Pointe Coupee \$5,000
 Hunters for the Hungry A Non Profit Corporation \$7,000
 Imagine A Way \$2,500
 Ingleside United Methodist Church \$1,000
 Innocence Project New Orleans \$200
 Institute of Noetic Sciences \$1,000
 International Hospitality Foundation LSU \$2,512
 International Rescue Committee Inc. \$4,100
 IPSB - North Iberville Elementary School \$1,500
 It's A Sensory World Inc. \$5,000
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 JDRF International - Louisiana \$1,000
 Jewish Children's Regional Service \$2,600
 Johnny Robinson's Boys Home \$4,000
 Junior Achievement of Greater Baton Rouge and Acadiana \$250
 Junior Achievement of Greater New Orleans \$1,000
 Junior Auxiliary of Slidell Louisiana Inc. \$5,000
 Junior League of Lake Charles Inc. \$10,000
 Kelly C. O'Mahoney, Inc. / Kelly Kicking Cancer \$250
 Kingsley House Inc. \$2,200
 Knights of Columbus Charities of Kentucky Inc. \$1,000
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 Lake Pontchartrain Basin Maritime Museum \$10,000
 Launch \$7,000
 Liberty Restoration Community Development Center \$2,500
 Life of a Single Mom \$9,000
 Life Outreach International Association of Churches Inc. \$40,100
 LifePoint Community Church \$5,000
 Lighthouse for the Blind in New Orleans \$500
 Live Oak Baptist Church \$10,000
 Lords Outreach Ministries \$3,500
 Louisiana Assistive Technology Access Network (LATAN) \$500
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Louisiana Baptist Childrens Home and Family Ministries \$18,991
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National Multiple Sclerosis Society - Houston \$2,000	Prevailing Word Christian Center \$1,000	Special Olympics Louisiana Inc. \$1,000
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Ozanam Inn \$4,000	Sleep in Heavenly Peace Inc \$2,000	The Administrators of the Tulane Educational Fund \$20,000
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 Youth Oasis \$15,300
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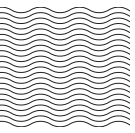
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