

GVTC Foundation Brightens Holidays with Donations

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The GVTC Foundation is doing its part to make the holiday season merrier for children and families across South Central Texas. The foundation — the charitable-giving arm of GVTC Communications — has donated \$17,500 to groups serving needy people across GVTC's service area. Since mid-November, The GVTC Foundation has provided:

\$5,000 to the St. Jude's Ranch for Children, which rescues abused, abandoned and neglected children and provides them with a loving environment;

\$2,500 to the Gonzales Christian Assistance Ministry to support its food pantry;

\$1,500 to Hill Country Family Services of Boerne, which offers food assistance in addition to help with utility bills and rent for people in periods of crisis;

\$2,500 to the Hope Center in Bulverde, which provides financial support, food and clothing to people in need;

\$2,000 to the Kendall County Sheriff's holiday toy drive;

\$2,000 to the Comal County Sheriff's Operation Green Santa toy drive;

\$2,000 to Gonzales County's fire, EMS and law enforcement offices' Silent Santa program, which provides needy kids with toys, clothes and shoes.

"This is the time of year for sharing, and The GVTC Foundation is happy to support worthy organizations that are making the holidays happier for needy families in our area," said Ola Armstrong, president of The GVTC Foundation. "We are delighted to help these groups in their work."

The mission of The GVTC Foundation is to profoundly enhance the quality of life in the communities served by GVTC through charitable contributions and volunteer service. The foundation also gives back to the community through employee voluntarism, "adoption" of low income families during the holiday season, its capital-credit campaign and support for volunteer fire departments.