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Inspiring a more engaged community
by helping people find their purpose
and act on it.

Volunteer Center of Lubbock

ANNUAL REPORT 2014

Thanks to you 35,000 people were purposefully engaged!

“If this report is in your hand, YOU are one of our champions. We could not make an impact without you. Thank you...”



Dear friends,

You made it a remarkable year!

Although that can be said of the many years in our 25-year history, 2014 stands out because it is the year we clarified our purpose in the community.

You’ve probably heard us talking about it or seen it on our website and print materials, but what we have landed on is that the Volunteer Center exists to inspire a more engaged community by helping people find their purpose and act on it. In other words, we partner with you to help people discover what they are passionate about and use that passion to benefit our community.

Why does this make a difference?

Because of people like L.A. Love who went through our Emerging Leaders program a few years ago and was inspired to reconnect with an agency who served him and his family as a child. In 2014, his passion led him to take a staff position at the agency.

Because of families like the Ragsdales who were honored at the 2014 Cornucopia Luncheon. Through their involvement in our From the Heart program, each of the three Ragsdale children have started discovering their purpose at a young age and are already making an impact in our community.

Because of students like those leading the Youth In Service program at Estacado High School. As a team they are working to change the reputation of their school and to help the entire student body connect with and make a difference to the causes which are important to them. In the 2014-2015 school year, the school amassed 43,023.65 volunteer hours.

Businesses, organizations, teams, families and individuals who love our community, want to make a difference and are discovering how to act in ways which are meaningful to them. This is what it is all about for us.

Discovering our purpose in the community has been like a lightning rod for us, grounding us firmly in an understanding of ourselves as a team, as an organization and as your partner in the community. We hope you will see the impact it’s made in the following pages.

If this report is in your hand, you are one of our champions. We could not make an impact without you. Thank you for your involvement and your investment in us.

With your continued partnership, our 25th year will again be remarkable.

Sharon Hyde Bass
Executive Director

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Our purpose is to inspire a more **Engaged Community** by helping people find their **Purpose** and **Act On It**.

Through collaborative partnerships, we nurture a culture of service and develop the next generation of community leaders.



SERVE

People are passionate about many things. Those passions often direct us towards finding our particular purpose — our place we want to be involved in the community. For the Volunteer Center, service is about more than just volunteering. It's about discovering your personal passion and purpose and then putting that purpose into action.



BUILD

The success of a community will be defined by its next generations. At the Volunteer Center, we believe it is our responsibility to help build a next generation of leaders who are engaged within their community and who know how to use their personal strengths and talents to benefit those around them, in their workplace, in their neighborhood, and every area of their lives.



COLLABORATE

A thriving community is a collaborative one — a community in which everyone is coming together to meet individual and corporate needs. The Volunteer Center exists to be a hub for collaboration between for profits, nonprofits, schools, individuals, and organizations of all types.

Thank you to all of our generous supporters! Your partnership helps us fulfill our mission of connecting, empowering and transforming the community through purposeful volunteerism and leadership development.

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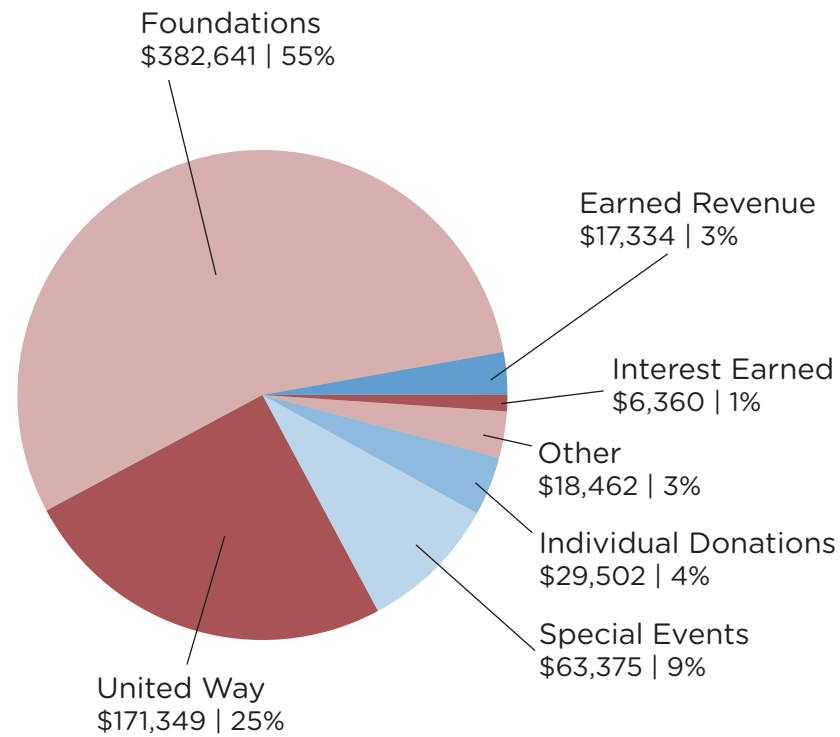
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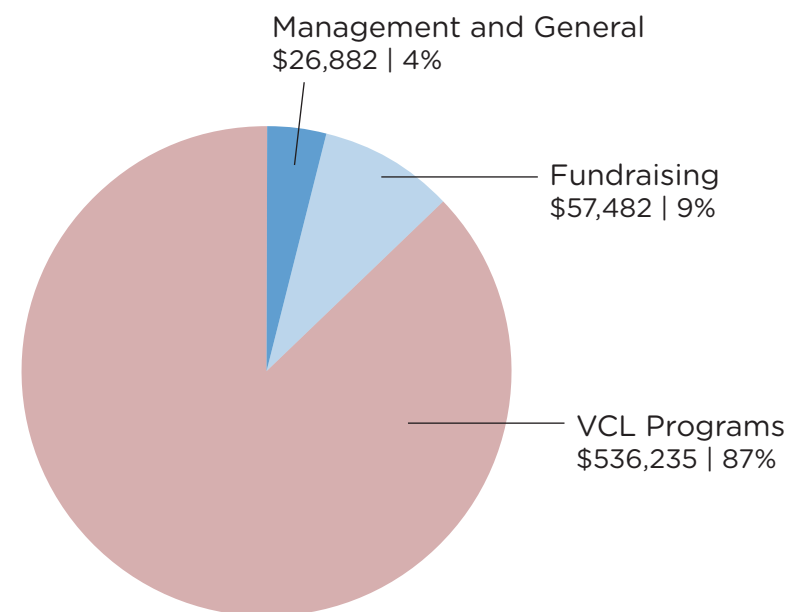
INCOME*

Total Income \$689,023



EXPENSE*

Total Expense \$620,599



* From 2014 Audit

"I GAINED AN APPRECIATION FOR THE WORK PEOPLE PUT IN TO KEEP THINGS NICE FOR OUR COMMUNITY. I ALSO LEARNED HOW JUST A FEW HOURS OF VOLUNTEER WORK COULD MAKE A HUGE IMPACT!"

-YOUTH IN SERVICE VOLUNTEER



National Day of Service

2014 ADULT & GROUP IMPACT



United Way Youth Division

National Day of Service

"THERE IS NO REASON NOT TO VOLUNTEER. IT'S NOT DIFFICULT, THERE ARE SO MANY THINGS WE CAN DO."

-ADULT VOLUNTEER-

2014 YOUTH & FAMILIES IMPACT



YOUTH IN SERVICE



Cornucopia Luncheon



From the Heart

👤 = 50 PEOPLE



Service & Leadership Symposium

2014 ADULT IMPACT

WORKSHOPS, CONSULTATIONS, AND OTHER MANAGEMENT



108 WORKSHOPS & CONSULTATIONS



1,154 PARTICIPANTS IN LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

4,316 TRAINING HOURS



Celebration of Service

2014 PARTNERS

104 AGENCY PARTNERS

40

AREA MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOLS

49 BUSINESSES

“IT’S ABOUT THE PEOPLE. IT’S ABOUT THE PEOPLE YOU MEET IN THIS PROGRAM, AND CREATING NETWORKS. IT’S ALSO ABOUT HELPING THESE SAME PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITY. PEOPLE MATTER.”

-LEADERSHIP PROGRAM PARTICIPANT



Volunteer Managing Leaders

“THE VOLUNTEER CENTER HAS ALWAYS BEEN AN AGENCY THAT KNOWS WHAT IT’S ABOUT AND GOES FULL STEAM AHEAD. THAT’S HARD NOT TO INVEST IN. I DON’T KNOW ANYBODY ELSE IN TOWN WHO DOES WHAT YOU DO TO THE EXTENT AND THE NATURE THAT YOU DO..YOU ARE UNIQUE.”

-VCL IMPACT SOCIETY MEMBER



Service & Leadership Symposium



Transformative Leadership Day

“AS A LEADER OF A TEAM, I USE CHARACTER TRAITS I LEARNED ABOUT MYSELF AND LEARNED HOW TO RECOGNIZE TRAITS IN OTHERS IN ORDER TO BUILD A STRONGER TEAM.”

-LEADERSHIP PROGRAM PARTICIPANT



Golf Tournament

“THE VOLUNTEER CENTER OF LUBBOCK HAS BEEN AN INVALUABLE RESOURCE TO OUR BUSINESS OVER THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS. THEIR EXPERIENCE AND KNOWLEDGE IN THE NONPROFIT COMMUNITY HAS ENABLED US TO GROW OUR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM.”

-BUSINESS PARTNER



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Emerging Leaders



Youth In Service School