Angel Charity for Children, Inc.

Impact Report

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Over 150 dedicated Angel Volunteers

Over 800,000 children's lives improved

29 years of commitment to children

Average yearly gifts: $700,000 to beneficiaries, $21,000 endowment interest

Distinct Impact

100% of beneficiaries are still serving children

Miracles for Children

“The Mission of Angel Charity for Children, Inc. is to improve the quality of life for children in Pima County. Each year, Angel Charity's General Membership selects a beneficiary or beneficiaries and partners with business and individuals throughout Pima County to raise funds to fulfill their grant request.”
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Introduction

Start with the passion of an innovative founder, Louise Thomas, driven to improve the lives of children in Tucson, add dedicated yearly campaign chairs and 150 talented volunteers and you get Angel Charity for Children, Inc. Together with the support of their generous donors over the past 29 years, Angel Charity has raised over 21 million dollars to fund 68 unique projects. Angel investments have included construction, expansion, and renovation of facilities for children, refinancing or retirement of mortgages, funds for programs and investment in scientific breakthroughs that improve the health of children in Pima County and all over the world.

This report is dedicated to the past, current and future investors in Angel Charity’s mission of “improving the quality of life for children in our community.” The students in the Eller College of Management (nonprofit management class) carefully researched the impact of the investments made by the Angel Charity over the past 29 years. Funding went to 54 agencies responsible for the 68 unique projects. These 54 agencies completed an impact survey and nine nonprofit leaders representing a variety of funded projects participated in interviews to share the stories that bring the Angel investments to life. During this process we found that Angel Charity for Children, Inc. is an exemplary organization that follows respected management principles. Careful fiduciary management, a pain-staking benefactor selection process, and passionate commitment from both the Angels and the funded nonprofits have fueled 29 years of momentum that keeps growing to improve the lives of the children in our community.

This document is written with four distinct sections. The first section explains why the Angel charity is an exemplary organization and how their operating principles match those of other great nonprofit organizations. The second section uses data to summarize the 29 years of investments and the impact on more than eight hundred thousand children. In the third section, data is separated into the sectors in which the Angels invest: health, social services, art and education. Finally, nine representatives from beneficiary organizations share their stories and bring the impact to life. By the end of the report, we hope to demonstrate why Angel Charity is a true success story for the children in Tucson, Arizona.

Impact Like No Other

“As I drive past all of the buildings in Tucson with the Angel Charity sign I see children who were abused now being safe, children with disabilities now having opportunities, children of working families learning and growing, children who are ill or in need of dental care being healthy and pain free, children able to play and learn and take the next step toward achieving their dreams. I see happiness and hope—the greatest impact any organization could possibly have.”

Peg Harmon, CEO of St. Elizabeth of Hungary Clinic
Exemplary Financial Stewardship

One of the many outcomes that resulted from both the survey of 54 responding nonprofits and the personal interviews with nine leaders of beneficiary organizations was the overwhelming respect and trust that Angel Charity, Inc. has earned in the community. Overarching themes that occurred repeatedly throughout our research illustrated the passion and diligence that Angel Charity emphasizes in its operating principles. Sound management examples included the painstaking diligence used to select their 68 beneficiary organizations, the partnership model of fundraising, stewardship for each new project, and the Angel brand that signals excellence to the Tucson community.

To ground our findings regarding managerial excellence, we’ve tied the Angel Charity practices to the well-respected framework of Jim Collin’s *Good to Great* books, both the breakout business book and the subsequent *Good to Great and the Social Sectors* monograph. Collin’s based his findings on five years of research comparing businesses that successfully made the leap from good to great and tied similar practices to many of the most successful nonprofits in America. He concludes that a great organization delivers outstanding performance over a long period of time, and if the organization were to disappear there would be a gaping hole in their service sector. Kerry Dufour of the YMCA summarized this very concept, “if you were to erase the capital projects, the number of buildings that the [Angel’s] have built, just think about the hole in our community and in our social system.” For Angel Charity, their consistent ability to raise money (over 21 million dollars) and manage projects (68 and growing) provides consistent evidence that they have the momentum to deliver on their promise of improving the lives of children in the Tucson community over time. According to Jim Collins, organizational greatness is a result of discipline and five of his managerial principles apply to Angel Charity, Inc. These principles include:

1. Utilizing quantitative and qualitative data to quantify results and track progress.
2. Getting things done when the environment is complex.
3. Attracting the right people to steward the mission.
4. Dogged clarity about producing results and committing to what the organization does the best.
5. Building long-term momentum through commitment and brand awareness to attract people who want to be a part of something great.

Utilizing quantitative and qualitative data to quantify results and track progress.

The selection process of beneficiary organizations and the stewardship of donated funds for annual campaigns by Angel Charity is respected in the nonprofit community. Kerry Dufour of YMCA commented that the process of becoming a beneficiary of Angel funds is daunting because the volunteers do a thorough job, take the responsibility to heart, and are committed to understanding and identifying the needs of the children in our community. She also praises the review process because everything from tax forms, audits, and budgets are painstakingly analyzed. Casa de los Niños’ leaders Susie Huhn and Rosie Dyer said, “when Angel Charity really supports an organization, whether it’s a building or a program, but particularly the building, they have proven to have a great impact on the ability of the nonprofit serving children and families to be more efficient, to serve more children and families, and in some cases help the organization change their business model to improve how they go about delivering services.” Every organization that gets into the semifinal stage for consideration of Angel funding receives the benefit of financial, managerial and governance consulting by experienced Angel members.
Financial Stewardship Continued

Getting things done when the environment is complex.

This is particularly impressive, that Angel Charity for Children, Inc. has relied 100% on volunteers over 29 years. The complexity of managing 150 volunteers, the yearly change in campaign chairs and the new partnerships forged with beneficiary nonprofits annually reflect the Angel’s ability to “get things done when the environment is complex.” Economic conditions change, leaders change, and yet, the Angels have demonstrated a consistent ability to raise an average of $700,000 every year and produce real impacts for children. Development Director for Steele Children’s Research Center pointed out that communication is an important aspect of the Angel Charity’s success when stating, “one of the components of applying for an Angel Charity grant and receiving it is that a member of the Angels sits on your board for a year and that helps make sure that there is communication between the organizations. For us this has ended up developing long-term relationships. We have several Angel members who are currently members of our board and I think that some of them were introduced because of our applications.”

Attracting the right people to steward the mission.

Louise Thomas, the founder of Angel Charity, has successfully built her organization through her passion and an inspired mission. The volunteers of the Angel Charity are composed of members who are deeply motivated and have strong professional backgrounds. Bankers, mortgage experts, attorneys, marketers, homemakers, accountants, real estate agents, the talent in the Angel Charity is impressive and forms the expertise to make sound funding decisions.

Membership is considered prestigious and the work helps the members achieve meaning in their lives through service. As Jim Collin’s illustrates in his book, “purity of mission has the power to ignite passion and commitment.” He also points out that the right people, with the right passion and connection can attract money. It is through the commitment of these 150 volunteers, year after year, that Angel Charity has demonstrated its excellence. This concept is often referred to as “getting the right people on the bus.” The Angel members over time have come to be known for their self-motivation, self-discipline and compulsive drive to raise more money than the previous year and invest in even greater projects that make a difference.

Functional Expertise of the Angels

- 5 Accountants
- 34 Business Owners
- 14 Real Estate, Loan Officers, Escrow Professionals
- 13 Medical/Dental Professionals
- 27 Professionals (Computer, P.R Managers, HR, Sports, Finance, Banking)
- 7 Lawyers
- 9 Educators
- 48 Retired Professionals
- 18 Full time moms
Financial Stewardship Continued

Doggd clarity about producing results and committing to what the organization does best.

When Louise Thomas was asked about expanding the Angel organization to other cities, she commented, “that is not what we do.” Early on, both the founder and the members realized their fundraising could have a unique and profound effect in Tucson. In particular, the unique ability of Angels to invest in capital projects, mortgage retirement, and capacity building has allowed beneficiary organizations to provide more services to children in need. The 29 years worth of social investment in agencies that serve children has built a solid brand for Angel Charity and their respective beneficiaries. St. Elizabeth of Hungary's contact, Peg Harmon commented about the high regard the community holds for Angel Charity. She said that when Angels shine their light on an organization other donors take notice. “When we have been a recipient of Angel funding doors opened for us a little wider and we were able to tell or stories to other donors.” Building a strong brand is part of this management principle.

Building long-term momentum through commitment and brand awareness to attract people who want to be a part of something great.

Commitment and momentum are demonstrated through 29 years worth of fundraising and exemplary outcomes. Delivering results attracts greater resources and commitment. As Jim Collin's says, “people want to be involved with something that just flat out works.” The tangible results of a new Ronald McDonald House, state of the art Casa de los Ninos building, new inclusive cabin for Girl Scouts and an interactive wing of the Reid Park Zoo build confidence in the Angel organization's ability to make a difference for children. This momentum is described in Good to Great as the flywheel concept, “success breeds support and commitment, which breeds even greater success, which breeds more support and commitment – round and round and around the flywheel goes.” From $305,000 dollars raised in 1983 for the first Angel Charity gift to the Ronald McDonald House to an all time high of over $1 million dollars raised in 2010 for San Miguel High School, YMCA of Southern Arizona and Pima Library Foundation, the Angel Charity has demonstrated that success is contagious and momentum for fundraising continues to grow in the Tucson community.

Lori Stratton, Development director for Steele Children's Center, gave the highest of compliments to Angel Charity for Children:

“If you are an organization that has been funded by Angel Charity it’s kind of like having a seal of approval. For local nonprofits that take care of children, it is well respected to be funded by Angel Charity. They know the application process is in depth and thorough and the members of Angel Charity take it seriously. It’s a real distinction to be funded by Angel Charity.”


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<td>San Xavier Mission School, YMCA, Arizona Aerospace Foundation, Boys &amp; Girls Club of Tucson</td>
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## Angel Beneficiaries from 1983-2011

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<td>St. Elizabeth Health Center, In My Shoes</td>
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<td>2011</td>
<td>$777,895</td>
<td>The Boys &amp; Girls Club of Tucson, The Children's Museum Tucson, TROT</td>
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**TOTAL: $21,118,141**

There has been a 30% increase over 29 years of fundraising.
Impact Data

This section summarizes the impact of Angel donations to 54 nonprofit organizations over the past 29 years, representing 68 unique beneficiary gifts. Each organization was asked to complete an impact survey relative to the effect of the Angel investment made in their services for children over time. Questions in the survey covered topics including impact on children, what was accomplished from the donation, and other qualitative and quantitative impact information. Angel investments in children’s services have included construction, expansion, and renovation of facilities for children, refinancing or retirement of mortgages, funds for programs and investment in health care and scientific breakthroughs for children. The Angels raised and donated over 20 million dollars that have positively impacted approximately 869,848 children in Tucson.

After gathering the information from the surveys, there were four main areas in which Angel Charities primary donations were contributed to. These are shown in Figure 1.1 (below). The field in which most funds have been given to is the Human and Social Services area. This area accounts for 46 percent of all agencies who participated in the survey. The second field with the highest number of beneficiaries is Education. This area accounts for 31 percent of all the agencies who participated in this survey. The Health and Medical field constituted of 13 percent and the Art field 10 percent.

![Figure 1.1 Type of Agency](image)

Figure 1.2 (right) shows the type of funding received by the individual non-profit agencies. The survey broke the donations down into separate categories, and these included capital projects, research, programs, equipment and retiring mortgages. The graph shows that the largest amount of funding went to capital projects. These projects included construction of new buildings, renovation and remodeling of existing buildings and expansion of square footage on existing structures. The next largest donation category was program investments. The funds raised went towards establishing new programs or supporting and expanding existing ones. Other areas of funding included research grants, purchases of equipment, and retiring existing mortgages to relieve the non-profit of this heavy burden.

![Figure 1.2 Type of Funding Received](image)
Impact Data

**Figure 1.3** (below) shows the number of organizations that are still sustaining the impact of their Angel Charity Donation. It’s great to see that 100 percent of the non-profits are still reaping the benefits of the donations, regardless of how long ago they were given. The purpose of Angel Charity raising money for these organizations is to help them secure a beneficial future. The members of Angel Charity have done so and can proudly say they have never seen an organization go under after receiving a donation.

![Organizations Sustaining the Impact of Their Angel Charity Donation](image1)

Many of the Angel Charity projects included the building, renovation, or purchase of a building for a specific use by the benefactor. Survey results show that out of the 54 organizations that replied to the survey, 31 of them received this type of capital investment. Out of the 31 organizations, 90 percent (28) of them are still benefitting from the Angel investment per the original purpose as stated by the grant application and beneficiary agreement. **Figure 1.4** (below) shows this information graphically.

![Buildings Still Being Used For Original Purposes](image2)
Twenty-two Angel Charity projects included support of existing programs or services as well as the development of new programs or services. Out of the 22 organizations, 77 percent (17) of the programs or services are still operating as specifically stated in the original grant applications and beneficiary agreement (see Figure 1.5 below).

![Programs or Services Still Operating as Specified in the Original Grant](image)

*Figure 1.5 Programs and Services Still Operating*

The 29 year impact of Angel Charity is remarkable:

- 21 million to beneficiary organizations
- Over 800,000 children served
- 68 beneficiary gifts
- 100% of the beneficiaries have improved their services to children
Impact Sector: Health/Medical/Dental

$3,066,150
invested in Healthcare
from 1991-2009

Community Impact:
2 Clinics
2 Programs
1 Building
Research Support

Beneficiaries:
El Rio Santa Cruz Neighborhood Health Center
El Rio Health Center
Ara Parseghian Medical Research Foundation
St. Elizabeth of Hungary Clinic
Ronald McDonald House Charities of Southern AZ
St. Elizabeth Health Center

Endowment Interest Gifts:
The Ara Parseghian Medical Research Foundation
Arizona Foundation for Burns and Trauma
Carondelet Foundation, Inc.

"My name is Olivia. I am 8 years old and have diabetes. It's sometimes hard because I have to keep track of my insulin, blood sugar testing and the food I eat. Even though I wear a pump, it doesn't mean I am different from you. My doctor is really nice. He sees how my blood sugar is going. I like going to his office because he has all the right stuff! Maybe in my future I am going to get a cure. Thank you to all the people who help kids with diabetes."

Steele Children's Research Center

"My son, Connor, age 3, was diagnosed with a brain tumor on January 13, 2006 and since that time has had two surgeries and five rounds of chemotherapy. We have been in hospitals most of the time during the last seven months. A UMC staff person at the hospital told me to look into the Ronald McDonald House as a place to stay. What a godsend that turned out to be. From the moment we first walked into Ronald McDonald House, the most compassionate and caring people have welcomed us. During this time of such great stress it is comforting to have a place to stay where you are made to feel so welcome by people who really care and understand what you are going through."
**Impact Sector: Human/Social Services**

$8,325,066
invested in Social Services
from 1985-2010

**Community Impact:**
2 Mortgages Retired
5 Child Play-Areas
7 Program Improvements
10 Building Renovations

**Beneficiaries:**
- Arizona Children's Association
- Casa de los Ninos
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Tucson
- Tucson Centers for Women and Children (Emerge! Center against Domestic Abuse)
- Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona
- Tu Nidito Children and Family Services
- Boys and Girls Clubs of Tucson
- Arizona Friends of Foster Children Foundation
- Las Familias
- La Paloma Family Services
- Habitat for Humanity Tucson
- Sahuaro Girl Scout Council Inc.
- Make-A-Wish Foundation of Arizona
- Gabriel's Angels

**Endowment Interest Gifts**
- Project M.O.R.E.
- One-on-One
- Arizona Friends of Foster Children
- Southern Arizona Children’s Advocacy Center
- Gabriel’s Angels

"Four months ago I was sleeping in my car and panhandling on the streets for drug money. Today, thanks to Open-Inn, I have my very own apartment. I am currently attending an outpatient rehabilitation center and am receiving treatment daily. I am planning to attend Pima Community College this semester. Thanks to Open-Inn, Inc. my life is completely different now."

"Thanks to Angel Charity, we were able to double the amount of children served per month, from 600 to over 1200. Also, thanks to the Angels we improved the quality of snacks we could offer to all of the children in the program, not just children in the new locations. We looked a little bit harder at the labeling of the products and the distribution and all of these kids are eating healthier today through our program than how they were eating before, and that’s all thanks to the Angels."

*Bill Carnegie, Community Food Bank*
**Impact Sector: Art**

$710,632

invested in Arts from 1996-2006

**Community Impact:**

- Sound System
- New Equipment
- Mortgage Retirement
- Facility Expansion

**Beneficiaries:**

- Arts for All, Inc./Third Street Kids
- Arizona Theatre Company

**Endowment Interest Gifts:**

- Third Street Kids
- Tucson Boys Chorus
- Tucson Symphony Orchestra
- Arizona Theatre Company

"At Arts for All, Inc. we will believe in angels. Having our own Arts Center has brought security and a sense of ownership to many of the children we serve. In 1998 a young boy with autism came to us. He was frustrated and anxious about being in a new environment and frequently had serious physical aggressions. Today he has a sense of well-being and improved communication skills. This summer he had a major role in a dance that his team created. He blossomed in the art studio where he designed and wrote his own book about dragons. His is one of the many children who have come to Arts for All and had a life changing experience."

Board restricted Income Fund Recipient, Arizona Theatre Company, "With generous support from Angel Charity for Children, Arizona Theatre Company changed forty-seven lives this summer. Using rigorous five-week curriculum combining classroom instruction, rehearsal format, and a final fully staged production, ATC shared the world of professional theatre with high school students from throughout Tucson and Southern Arizona."
Impact Sector: Education

$4,405,518 invested in Education from 1988-2011

Community Impact:
School Funding
5 Buildings
Provided Necessary School Equipment

Beneficiaries:
Parent Teacher Committee for the Gump School
Project YES
Pio Decimo Center
Tucson Nursery School
Pio Decimo Center
Project MORE High School Rock Band
Wright Flight Inc.
San Xavier Mission School
Educational Enrichment Foundation (EEF)
Reid Park Zoological Society
San Miguel High School
Pima Library
Arizona Aerospace Foundation
St. Ambrose School
University of Arizona Foundation on behalf of Steele Children’s Research Center

Endowment Interest Gifts:
Reid Park Playground Equipment
Tucson Nursery School
Sahuaro Girl Scouts
St. Ambrose Catholic School

"Therapeutic Riding of Tucson has many angels. Gentle, hard-working horses are specially trained to help children with special needs. Hundreds of volunteers form loving bonds and safety for riders. Instructors and therapists create lessons to empower and strengthen each rider."

"Thank you Angel Charity for providing funds for the expansion and renovation of our 158 year old school that primarily serves Native American children. Each grade now has its own classroom."

The Wright Flight planes from Angel Charity have "given wings" to over two thousand children in the last four years.
Spotlights on Beneficiaries

The final portion of the project included interviews with nine beneficiary organizations. This section presents information and quotes about the impact of the Angel’s generosity in providing a variety of capital construction and new program support.

Casa De Los Niños
Community Food Bank
Emerge! Center Against Domestic Violence
Sahuarro Girl Scouts
Reid Park Zoo
Ronald McDonald House
St. Elizabeth’s of Hungary Clinic
Steele Children’s Research Center
YMCA of Southern Arizona
Casa De Los Niños

1989: $823,144 gift to build the Angel Nursery

Previous capacity was 18 children, after the construction Casa De Los Niños can now care for 45 children between the ages of 0-5.

The Angel Nursery has meant more than serving Pima County’s children, as it has become a shining example of the community’s desire to contribute to the cause and has garnered the organization national attention. Without the help of Angel Charity for Children, Casa De Los Niño’s would not have been able to accomplish as much as it has today in the Tucson Community.

“Here at Casa de los Niños we see miracles every day. Recently, a brother, 4yrs, and sister, 5yrs, arrived at the shelter, they were extremely developmentally delayed. They ate with their hands, did not understand the concept of cleaning themselves or their environment, they were both in diapers and only spoke a language that they understood. After four months in the shelter, they arrived in their new foster home no longer needing diapers, eating with utensils and using words to express their needs. Their spirits began to shine. Every night as the young girl fell asleep she would sing "Twinkle Twinkle" as she rocked her favorite doll in her arm.”

Rosie Dyer, Executive Director Casa De Los Niños
Community Food Bank

2008: $55,200 gift for “Snak Paks for Kids” program - 1200 children per month

“The Snackpack program has now doubled the amount of children served in the community. Of the 240,000 being served, 100,000 of them go to children.”

Bill Carnegie, CEO of Community Food Bank

The Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona is well on its way to having a larger impact in the community, especially with children. Thanks to Angel Charity, there are now more children who are being served and receiving assistance.

Angel Impact

The donation from Angel Charity went into the Snackpack program, which is designed for children. Through the Snackpack program, volunteers come in every Friday and fill-up bags with snacks that they will distribute to children at local schools. The Snackpack program is directed at providing children with food over the weekend. Through Angel Charity’s donation, Community Food Bank was able to double the amount of children it served through the Snackpack program.

The amount of children served went from about 600 children a month, to over 1200 children. Angel Charity had a direct impact on the amount of children receiving assistance. Thanks to the generosity of Angel Charity, Community Food Bank was able to receive more exposure and media attention which allowed them to receive two multi-year loans. This support helped sustain the increase in the Snackpack program so that Community Food Bank would be able to continue serving more than 1200 kids per month.
Emerge! Center Against Domestic Violence

Previously Tucson Centers for Women and Children

1996: $667,795 gift to build the Angel Children’s Center

40% of people in the Emerge shelters are children.

With the construction of the new Angel Childcare Center, Emerge! is now able to serve and assist twice the amount of children than before.

This center gives children of the Tucson community a place where they can be with kids their own age, learn about non-violent behavior, and get involved with the arts.

This spectacular center would not be possible if it wasn’t for the grant from Angel Charity. The Angel Children’s Center would not be as successful and helpful as it is today.

"Being chosen to benefit from the Angel Charity brought us prestige and credibility. It was also educational for those involved as they learned about domestic violence and its effect on children. What was once a therapeutic program only open to children in shelter has been expanded to serve the entire community. We showcase diversity. We also use a non-violence curriculum, which helps all families connected to the center."

Sarah Jones, CEO Emerge! Center Against Domestic Violence
Sahuararo Girl Scout Council, Inc.

2007: $82,355 gift to build an ADA-Compliant handicap accessible cabin

“The best aspect of the gift is that it allows every girl to experience girl scouting at the same place no matter who they are and no matter what their physical, mental, or emotional capacity is. It really equals the playing field so any girl can have the experience on the mountain and that’s just incredible.”

Debbie Rich, CEO of Girl Scouts of Southern Arizona

“It was amazing to watch the typical girls explore camp while looking out for those whose abilities did not match their own and there is no better experience for a girl with special needs than to be accepted into the circle of friendship of their typical peers. This would simply not have been possible without the Angel Cabin.”

Linda Weigel-Fior, Troop Leader

New ‘Angel Cabin’ at Camp Whispering Pines
• ADA compliant
• Wheel chair ramp
• Sleeps up to 8
• Electricity, Heating

Building girls of courage, confidence and character who make the world a better place.

“It’s really important for you to share that that the Angels gave the Girl Scouts this gift knowing that it would be the only ADA accessible cabin. This means it is the only place that children with wheelchairs and other disabilities can go to be comfortable and be close to the lodge and not only girls can have that experience but boys can as well. And we have been able to use it since the gift was given for lots of different kids with a lot of different issues so they would have an inclusive experience.”

Debbie Rich
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Ronald McDonald House

1983: $305,000 gift to retire mortgage
2005: $650,000 gift to build new building

There was a growing need for a shelter for families of children undergoing treatment for cancer, heart disease and other traumatic illnesses in the Tucson area. It creates a second home or a “home away from home,” while the children are recovering.

The initial challenge of Angel Charity in 1983 was to raise $205,000 to retire the mortgage on the Ronald McDonald House. Not only was the mortgage retired that first year, but the Ronald McDonald House was partially remodeled and expanded.

Angel Impact

• In 1983 Ronald McDonald House was the first beneficiary to receive funding from Angel Charity.
• They received $305,000 to retire the mortgage and expand and enhance the facility.
• Angel Charity contributed a total of $650,000 in 2005 for twelve isolation rooms, opening the “Angel Isolation Wing.”

With this contribution, over 8,000 children have been impacted.

“Kid’s favorite part about it is that it has such a welcoming feeling and feels like a home. There are movies, toys, and a big playground that help children escape from their problems and allows them to feel like kids again.”
St. Elizabeth of Hungary Clinic

Since 1961, St. Elizabeth’s Health Center has helped provide health care for over 50 years in the Tucson Community. Providing medical and dental care for people who cannot afford insurance or qualify for other government programs, St. Elizabeth’s has had a tremendous impact on the Tucson Community.

Overview

Their mission is to provide the highest quality health and dental care to the uninsured or people who otherwise don’t have access to health and dental insurance.

Relying on large numbers of volunteers in the health care industry, they are appreciative of the doctors, dentist, behavioral health professionals, nurse practitioners, nurses and others that provide services in their facility.

Throughout the past 50 years, St. Elizabeth’s has been able to provide medical and dental care for those in need in the Tucson area.

Overall Impact

- In 1999, the Angel Charity Gift of $598,500 help funded construction of an Angel Children’s Urgent Care Wing to adjoin the clinic.
- In 2009, Angel Charity donated $415,000. Angel Charity’s funding helped St. Elizabeth’s become a community dental clinic with a specific area designed exclusively for children.
- This helped St. Elizabeth’s expand their health centers to care and serve more children.
- The improvement of facilities and equipment helped St. Elizabeth’s become a provider of services to the uninsured children allowing them to expand their services each year.

Before and After

Before Angel Charity’s generous donation, St. Elizabeth’s described their medical facilities as being pretty cramped, and not having adequate space to see all the patients that they wanted to see.

The existing building was renovated to support four new dental operators dedicated to serving patients 12 months to 18 years of age.
Steele Children’s Research Center

1990: $781,683 gift to build the 4th floor of their building, named “Wings for Genetic Research”

2002: $750,000 gift to build a research facility, the “Angel Wing for Children with Diabetes”

“Angel Charity has been instrumental in providing funding that otherwise would not have been provided, and has put a spotlight on some worthy organizations that have existed with little fanfare or community awareness.”

Lori Stratton, Director of Development at Steele Research Center

“...this clinic (Wings for Genetic Research) was specifically designed for children with diabetes and other problems so it allows us to see them without any of the adult patients or other patients. We are actually the only pediatric endocrinologist clinic in all of Southern Arizona.”

Dr. Mark Wheeler, Associate Professor in Pediatric Endocrinology

Angel Wing for Children sees over 600 children with type I diabetes.

“But because of your help [Angel Charity] we have helped millions of kids not only in Arizona, but all around the world.”

Dr. Fayez K. Gishan, Chair of Pediatrics at the University of Arizona – Director, Steele Children’s Research Center
THE YMCA of Southern Arizona

2000: $355,000 gift to build the Angel Village at the Triangle Y Ranch

2011: $400,544 to build the Angel Youth Center at the Northwest YMCA

Angel Village at Triangle Y Ranch

- Consists of a bath and shower house, plus five cabins
- 50 campers every week stay during the summer months
- YMCA has served more than 5,000 additional children as a result of this center
- Has an enormous impact for the over 70 partner organizations that use the Triangle Y facilities

"The process of becoming a beneficiary of Angel funds is daunting because the volunteers do a thorough job, take the responsibility to heart, and are committed to understanding and identifying the needs of the children in our community."

Kerry Dufour, YMCA of Southern Arizona

Angel Youth Center at Northwest YMCA

- Located on Northwest Side of Tucson
- Facilities include places for meetings, games and a conference room
- Offers programs such as Leadership in Training and Youth and Government
- Every month hosts a teen social, where young people can meet in a positive, supervised environment

The Angel Youth Center gives teens and children an opportunity to "be a little loud...to just have some fun".
Closing

Angel Charity continues to provide hope for the Tucson community everyday by supporting organizations that guarantee a better life and future for children. Over the past 29 years, Angel Charity has continued to thrive as a foundation through their dedicated volunteers, who believe there is always an opportunity to improve the lives of children in the community. Thank you Angels for all your hard work and dedication that has helped in raising over $21 million towards improving, creating, and sustaining programs that support of children.

Angel Charity for children’s fundraising has grown from $305,000 Angel Charity donated in 1983 to over $1,000,000 in 2010, a 30% increase, we wonder, can Angel Charity raise $1,300,000 annually by 2029 and make Tucson “the best city in which to raise children?”

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