

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Since 2013, the **Donna Wilhelm Friendship Fund** has empowered the AT&T Performing Arts Center to tackle the challenge of arts access in Dallas through the collaborative and impactful **Community Partners** program. By partnering with a diverse network of social service agencies, the Center has distributed over **11,000 complimentary tickets** for world-class performances to individuals and families facing challenging circumstances, allowing them to experience the transformative power of the performing arts.



Students from Lumin Education meet the cast of Drumline Live after the show.



A mother and daughter duo from HopeKids enjoys a performance of *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*.



Students from Uplift Education study a script in a preshow workshop before attending a Broadway production.

IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS (FY19)

Social Service Organizations Served: 13

Free Tickets Distributed: 1,543

Total Ticket Value: \$46,481

Productions Attended: 53

"It was absolutely magical! We were all moving, clapping and singing along. The moment that stood out to me, and always will, was when one gentleman said 'this is the most real fun I have had in over 34 years.' Someone in recovery had the most fun in over 34 years of their life because of this program. Please accept all of our thanks and gratitude and know that you and your wonderful organization are, in fact, changing lives." – **Angela Frear from The Bridge on seeing Black Violin**

"I would like to say thank you so much for the tickets. Words cannot express how touched I was by the show. Hearing [Iyanla Vanzant] just confirmed to me that my purpose is far more powerful than life's problems and that I have the power to overcome." – **Ashley from The Family Place**

"This year our clients were gifted the opportunity to attend a conversation with Michelle Obama. We were all so thankful to be chosen to attend this once in a lifetime event. Hope is a very important element to the process of recovery, and Community Partners encourages the hope that we have for our clients to live a life free of drugs and alcohol." – **Beth Hunter from Nexus Recovery**

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SECTORS SERVED BY COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Abused/Neglected Children

Addiction Services

Community Development

Critically Ill Children

Domestic Violence

Education

Homelessness

LGBT Services