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Cuero Community Foundation Calls for Year-End Giving to Support Technical and Vocational Scholarships for CISD Graduates

Cuero, TX— As the year comes to a close, Cuero Community Foundation (CCF) is reaching out to the community, businesses, and philanthropic individuals to support its Technical and Vocational Scholarship Fund for graduates of Cuero Independent School District (CISD). These scholarships play a crucial role in empowering local students to pursue higher education and career development in technical and vocational fields.

Cuero Community Foundation, a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, is dedicated to enhancing educational opportunities and community development in Cuero and the surrounding areas. The foundation has been instrumental in fostering a culture of learning, growth, and progress within the community, implementing the Technical & Vocational Scholarship Program for CISD students in 2022.

This year, CCF is proud to continue its tradition of awarding scholarships to deserving CISD graduates who are passionate about pursuing technical and vocational education. The scholarships aim to support students in their journey towards acquiring valuable skills and knowledge that will contribute to their success in the workforce.

"We believe that education is the cornerstone of a thriving community, and through the generosity of our supporters, we can continue to provide valuable opportunities for the youth of Cuero," said Bill Blackwell, President of Cuero Community Foundation. "By contributing to our Technical and Vocational Scholarship Fund, donors are not only investing in the education of individuals but also in the overall growth and prosperity of our community."

Blackwell shared that not all students are destined for a four-year degree. And, technical programs are on the rise, especially with the solid foundation established by Eagle Ford Shale in the area. "Keeping Cuero students in the area after graduation to continue their education and ensuring that they have the funds to pursue technical and vocational programs is the solution to this challenge," Blackwell said. "We awarded scholarships in 2023 and we plan to continue this financial support scholarship for students attending vocational and technical programs. This will supply help to students seeking this level of education upon graduation in the spring of 2024. Having the additional funding to help more students in this specific area of training will provide new opportunities for those that otherwise might not be able to afford the technical schools."

Blackell shared that adding the CCF vocational/technical scholarship to the May 2023 ceremony was just the start of exploring ways to meet the immediate needs of the business/industrial community for skilled/technical workers to address the employment shortages in this critical field. Continued support to the vocational scholarship is needed to ensure longevity and access to affordable training for those wishing to pursue vocational training.

Individuals and businesses interested in making a positive impact on the lives of local students are invited to contribute to the Cuero Community Foundation's Technical and Vocational Scholarship Fund. Even the smallest of contributions are accepted and appreciated. Donations made to CCF are eligible for tax deductions as the Foundation is a certified 501(c)(3) organization. This provides donors with an opportunity to make a difference in the community while also benefiting from potential tax advantages before the end of the fiscal year. To make a donation and support the future of CISD graduates, please call 361-275-5234 or email: info@cuerocommunityfoundation.com.

Connect with Cuero Community Foundation for Year-End Giving and Tax Benefits

As the year ends, the Cuero Community Foundation extends an invitation to individuals and businesses seeking meaningful ways to make a lasting impact on the Cuero community. With a commitment to strengthening Cuero and the surrounding areas now and for future generations, the Foundation serves as a beacon for those passionate about philanthropy.

“By choosing the Cuero Community Foundation for your end-of-year giving, you not only contribute to the betterment of our community but also unlock potential tax benefits. As a 501(c)(3) organization, donations made to the Foundation are eligible for tax deductions, providing a valuable opportunity to maximize your support while optimizing your financial planning before the year concludes,” said Blackwell.

The primary mission of the Cuero Community Foundation is to connect caring individuals and organizations with causes that align with their values. “Our dedicated board of directors work closely with donors to understand their specific philanthropic interests and to introduce them to the diverse options available for making a positive and lasting contribution,” said Blackwell.

“The Foundation remains vigilant in assessing local needs, ensuring that our limited resources are directed toward the most vital causes, said Debra Baros, Vice President and Secretary of the CCF Board. “We actively collaborate with other foundations and agencies dedicated to meeting local needs, amplifying our impact and fostering a stronger, more resilient community.”

To connect with the Cuero Community Foundation and explore the opportunities for year-end giving that align with your values, please visit www.cuerocommunityfoundation.com or reach out to Bill Blackwell at info@cuerocommunityfoundation.com or call 361-275-5234.

“Join us in building a brighter future for Cuero and its residents through the power of philanthropy. And, take advantage of end-of-year giving tax benefits,” said Blackwell.

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About Cuero Community Foundation:

The Cuero Community Foundation (CCF) matches philanthropic action with causes in need to strengthen our local and surrounding communities now and for future generations. CCF works with other foundations, agencies and organizations to continually assess current and future needs to learn how best to address and solve these issues with financial aid while striving to achieve the greatest impact possible. CCF is a 501 (c)(3) charitable organization, incorporated in Cuero, Texas. Members of the CCF board are W. A. “Bill” Blackwell, Debra Baros, David S. Kleinecke, Paul W. Holcomb, Sr., F. Paul Celauro , Rebecca Reese Dawson and Wes Kubesch. Learn more about CCF by visiting www.cuerocommunityfoundation.com or email info@cuerocommunityfoundation.com