



HOLLOWAY FAMILY FOUNDATION

WINTER NEWSLETTER

Welcome to our Foundation newsletter! We hope to engage you, as members of the Board, in the Foundation's latest efforts, news, and accomplishments. This includes seasonal goals and outreach, updates on our partners, and an overall pulse on research and philanthropy.



As we reflect on 2023, the Holloway Family Foundation reached several milestones that have generated momentum as we head into the new year:

The final installments for HFF's inaugural multiyear grants were distributed

It was a significant step in the Foundation's equitable grantmaking journey to listen to feedback from the nonprofit community and learn from research in the field to implement its first multiyear grant application in 2021. Last year marked the final payments for those inaugural 3-year grantees, and we look forward to many more.

It continues to be a learning journey, but overall, this initiative has proved to be a positive grantmaking experience for both parties. It allows long-time nonprofit partners of the Foundation to obtain funding over several years to optimize their impact and for the Foundation to demonstrate its trust in the organization and support of its mission in a tangible way.

HFF's Relay Grant gained momentum and inspired growth

As members of the Steering Committee for the North Texas [Asset Funders Network](#) (NTxAFN), Valerie and Jenny had the opportunity to share about HFF's relay grant with the committee in

its early days of conceptualization which was received with great support and interest. Fast forward to 2022 when AFN celebrated its 10th anniversary and announced that they would be launching a North Texas Relay Grant in 2023 to award 10 local nonprofits each with a \$10,000 grant for general operating support in honor of their 10th year in the DFW region.

They began with the selection of 2 nonprofits focused on equitable asset building (one in Dallas county, one in Tarrant County) and then those organizations nominated the following recipients and so on until the 10th grantee had been notified. You may read more about the initiative [here](#) (under 'Collaborative or Aligned Funding').

We are thrilled to announce that all grants were completed in 2023, followed by a funder and grantee debriefing on December 5th, 2023. Jenny will participate on their relay grant committee for 2024.

NTxAFN generously acknowledges the Holloway Family Foundation as the "founder" of the equity-focused relay grant initiative and inspiration behind their adaption. We are honored and equally excited to see the

expansion of initiatives in philanthropy that require a shift in funders' perspectives on trust, empowerment, and generosity in the nonprofit community.

Last, but not least, HFF embarked on the first leadership transition of its kind for the foundation

January 1st marked the fifth month since Valerie and Jenny stepped into their new roles as Chair of the Board and Executive Director, respectively. Since then, Jenny has met with HFF grantees in Dallas and Fort Worth and is looking forward to site visits with many new Nashville partners next week!

[Below: Valerie and other Fort Worth leaders, including Mayor Mattie Parker (right of sign), at the AISD Dan Dipert Career & Technical



Center]

Of course, Valerie remains active through her many connections within

the local philanthropic and nonprofit community. A recent convening of local Fort Worth leaders for a tour of the [Arlington ISD Dan Dipert Career & Technical Center](#) highlighted her capacity to connect different stakeholders around great ideas.

Valerie and Jenny toured the Dan Dipert Center years ago and were so impressed by the dedicated professional staff, educational offerings, and student career outcomes that we have been lifting it up in our funder/workforce/education conversations ever since. So it was a dream come true when several members from the Funders Roundtable on Education (FRE), staff from [Tarrant To & Through \(T3 Partnership\)](#), and the Fort Worth Mayor's office took interest in planning a tour of the high school program in December. By the end of the visit, there were already conversations forming around future collaborations in Fort Worth and we look forward to following up in the new year!

Grantee Spotlight:

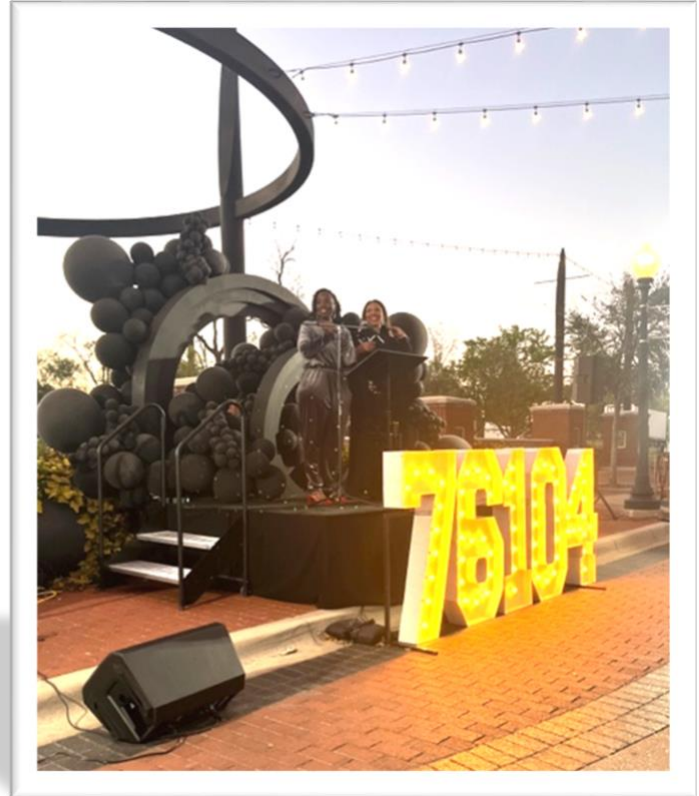
BRAVE/R Together

To kick off their annual Phoenix Festival which raises awareness about health equity and opportunity in the 76104 community, [BRAVE/R Together](#) hosts a dinner called "Our Table." It was such an honor for Valerie and Jenny to attend this beautiful outdoor event.

True to its title, Our Table was a gathering of the organization's loyal ambassadors, residents, and

other stakeholders all at one extended dining table in the heart of the 76104 neighborhood.

[Above: Dr. Whitnee Boyd (left), Director of Strategic



Initiatives, and Shawn Lassiter, Founder & Executive Director of Braver Together, welcome everyone to Our Table on November 3rd]

It was an evening spent breaking bread together, celebrating their "wins," honoring their champions, and sharing their goals for reviving the economic and health equity of a community that has been historically disinvested in for far too long. BRAVE/R Together



continues to gain support and momentum for their vision of 76104 and we cannot wait to see what 2024 brings.



CONFERENCES & CONVENINGS

- April 2 – 4, 2024 Workforce Matters Further Together Convening
[Alexandria, VA](#)
- April 16 – 18, 2024 Asset Funders Network (AFN) Biennial Grantmaker Conference
[New Orleans, LA](#)
- May 8 – 10, 2024 Best Place for Working Parents National Summit
[Nashville, TN](#)

If you are interested in attending any of the events listed above, please email jenny@hollowayfamilyfoundation.org.

Save the Date



April 25th – 28th

2024 HFF Annual Board Meeting

OMNI Fort Worth

1300 Houston Street

Fort Worth, TX



Winter Reading List

Sweetness of Water

by Nathan Harris

Wealth Supremacy

by Marjorie Kelly