



ROUNDUP

TEXAS BOYS RANCH FOUNDATION

Supporting the Mission of Texas Boys Ranch

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Plan for Success

You've worked hard. You've done your best to provide for your family. You've been wise in setting aside for the future. And you've been generous to your church & other charities you care about. In short, you've invested in things that are important & valuable to you. You want to make an impact for good in the world, beginning with that circle closest to you.

It is said that only about 45% leave their loved ones with a clear plan regarding their desires for handling their estate. At the same time, more than 70% of us say having a well thought out estate plan would help us feel like a good spouse or parent. Developing a sound estate plan is not something that is only for the super-rich. Nor does it have to be complex & confusing. The most important thing is that we just do it! Otherwise, all that we have worked for will be turned over to the government to decide how it should be handled.

Wouldn't it be much more satisfying to determine yourself how your loved ones will be taken care of? What peace of mind knowing that the charities you have cared so much for will be blessed as your legacy lives on! With some simple plans set in place, tax burdens can be minimized & benefit maximized.

While we at Texas Boys Ranch Foundation are certainly not attorneys



or financial advisors, we can help you begin the estate planning process, providing some valuable tools & resources at no cost to you. We could even facilitate conversations with other professionals if it would make the process easier for you. We want you to have a plan that will accurately reflect your priorities in life & take care of those who are most important to you. How gratifying & rewarding would that be?

Your thoughtful plan can have positive ramifications that extend far & wide. Including a charitable component that will bless children at Texas Boys Ranch for generations to come is a wonderful way to extend your legacy of caring. If you don't have a written plan, let us help you get started today. If your plan needs updating or you would simply like to explore additional options, we're here to help! — *Eric Creel, President*

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TRANSFORMING LIVES.



Kim Davis
Director of Planned Giving



Kim's Family

Chapters

Each of our experiences lay the foundation for our next life chapter. My life has been filled with many chapters, and I expect there will be many more to come. Sometimes we think a chapter does not fit with the others and wonder why it was there. Then, somewhere down the road, we realize that if that chapter had not been there, life would be incomplete.

Over the years, many parts of my life and especially my career path have seemed insignificant. However, as I arrived at Texas Boys Ranch Foundation to serve as Director of Planned Giving, I realized that every chapter is as important as the next because each chapter, even each page prepared me for this specific time in my life.

After graduating from Texas Tech University, I chose to stay in Lubbock, where I eventually married and raised my family of 4 boys – now young men. I often describe my work history as a long and winding career path where I have done everything from gym

office manager to music production coordinator, from stockbroker to operations manager, from call center representative to children's director to substitute teacher. But the time when I have felt most fulfilled is when I have been able to recognize a passion for what I do because of the organization and individuals being served.

Having been involved with children in schools and churches, as well as raising my own boys, I have seen the successes and challenges of children and young people in our community. It has helped me recognize the importance of an organization like Texas Boys Ranch to meet the needs of boys and girls in the community who are experiencing trials in their lives.

As I learn the heartfelt stories of the children cared for at the Ranch, I look forward to sharing those stories and helping you discover meaningful ways that you can make a significant impact on these boys and girls, not only now, but for many years to come. Our efforts can create experiences that lay the foundation for the chapters to come in the lives of the children at the ranch.

— Kim Davis, Director of Planned Giving

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If you fail to plan, you are planning to fail.
— Benjamin Franklin

For ideas about how to enhance your financial well-being and that of your loved ones, while also enabling you to make meaningful charitable gifts, contact Eric, ecreel@tbrfoundation.org, or Kim, kdavis@tbrfoundation.org.

Good Things

“What positive thing have you seen at Texas Boys Ranch as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic?”

What a complicated question! In our disrupted lives, we sometimes get so discouraged by what is happening around us and to us that we miss what God is doing FOR us while we are “in the valley”. It turns out that he really is with us while we are in the low places of our lives...even during the pandemic. When I observe the various programs of Texas Boys Ranch I see men and women

who love our children, risking their own health while taking care of the most vulnerable children in our communities. I see teamwork that truly goes the “extra mile”. I see positivity even in times that should be producing depression and despair. All because God has joined us in the valley and will lead us through it.

— *John Sigle, President*

For many years I got to know many of the kids at the ranch during Colorado camping trips and swim parties. When I found out many activities were canceled, I called the guy that takes care of my boat. I haven't had it out in the last 4 years and he joked that he had been looking in the obituaries for me. He got it ready for me in less than a week

when I told him I wanted to take TBR kids to Lake Alan Henry. When I look back to the summer of 2020, I see that I have gotten to know every child at the ranch. I'm not just someone they know, but there are many new friendships I will always remember. The summer of 2020 has been good for me.

— *Charles Quisenberry, Volunteer*

There was a huge bonding moment with all staff, working together to provide the children on campus with as much of a normal life as possible, making sure they stayed busy and healthy and taking care of their educational needs. My favorite

thing to come from the pandemic was being able to work in the cottages and build stronger relationships with both staff and kids. The pandemic has shown how well TBR staff can persevere through unknown times.

— *Macy Morales, Case Manager*

During the COVID-19 pandemic one positive I saw was home schooling. It was a lot of fun. We were able to learn new things from different people. Staff still acted like normal and were not stressed. We got to play

board games and air hockey. We got to watch TV, play around, make funny jokes, and spend more time together. Those are the wonderful things that happened in the Covid-19 pandemic.

— *Norma, 11*

Ready Now, Ready for Tomorrow

2020 has sure thrown us some curveballs, hasn't it? It seems there has been one challenge after another for most people this year, and Texas Boys Ranch has not been exempted from those challenges. While times may be difficult, there have been many silver linings for which we are thankful. Time and again, the staff at the Ranch campus, in Foster Care, and at the Emergency Children's Shelter have stepped up and gone above and beyond to continue to provide top-notch care for hurting children- no matter the challenges they faced. Likewise, our faithful donors and partners in the community have done an amazing job of ensuring that we can continue the vital work we do, no matter the circumstances of the world around us, or often even their own personal circumstances.

These may be uncertain times but we at Texas Boys Ranch are confident that we are ready to face the challenges of today and we are prayerful and ready to face whatever challenges tomorrow may bring. We have an important mission. A mission that cannot be disrupted by unfortunate circumstances. Children are counting on us and we have to be there to meet the needs of those children.

With an excellent staff and devoted partners we will continue, both today and tomorrow, to Share Jesus, Heal Hearts, and Transform Lives.

— *Traci Cheek, Director of Advancement, Texas Boys Ranch*

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