

GRANT DESCRIPTION: Operations grant in support of choral music education program for children.	
GRANT AMOUNT: \$25,000	APPROVED: January 29, 2014
PROJECT START DATE: January 1, 2014	PROJECT END DATE: December 31, 2014
CHARITABLE PURPOSE: Culture\Arts Activities\Music	
GRANT TYPE: General Operations	
GRANT OBJECTIVES: Infants and Toddlers will be exposed to music and movement; youth will learn to read and perform music; teamwork; self-discipline; and time management skills.	
SUMMARY OF REPORTED FINDINGS:	
<p>During the reporting period for this grant the Children's Chorus of San Antonio (CCSA) celebrated its 30th anniversary and served over 500 youth in three divisions:</p> <p>Core ensembles: where singers progress through training choirs to performance ensembles</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Experienced a decline in enrollment during FY14 ➤ CCSA re-aligned ensembles for FY15 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduced number from seven choirs to four choirs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Two training choirs ▪ Two advanced choirs • New choirs will be more diverse and consist of a wider range of singers <p>Music Together: early childhood music and movement program</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Parents and children share songs, rhymes, movement, and instrument play ➤ Expanded service to homeless families at Haven for Hope <p>Project Sing: community outreach program</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Taught choral music to children in San Antonio, South San Antonio, Edgewood, and Harlandale school districts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Free after-school classes • Two semesters at Harlandale Middle School • 5-7 week course at Our Lady of the Lake University ➤ Plans for FY15 include expanding to a full academic year program in partnership with Good Samaritan Community Services on the Westside ➤ CCSA is actively seeking partners to expand on the Eastside <p>Special Performances (Advanced Ensemble)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Toured New York City ➤ Candlelight concert at St. Mark's Episcopal Church ➤ Performed with YOSA (Youth Orchestras of San Antonio) and the San Antonio Symphony as part of the City's Dvorak celebration ➤ Participated with the San Antonio Symphony's final concert series at the Majestic Theatre <p>Administrative Accomplishments/Challenges</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Founder and artistic director retired ➤ Hired Interim Director ➤ Retained consulting firm to conduct a targeted gift assessment and feasibility study ➤ Initiated search for new artistic director on both local and national levels 	