



**United Way of  
Williamson County**

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### **Day of Caring Volunteers Create an Impact in Williamson County**

**WILLIAMSON COUNTY, Texas**, October 15, 2009 – Five volunteer projects making a difference in five cities in Williamson County. This was the goal of United Way of Williamson County's October 9th Day of Caring. While the welcomed rain forced a change in some of the originally planned projects it did not dampen the spirits of the many volunteers who gave their valuable time and talent to making an impact in our community.

Several Williamson County nonprofits partnered with United Way of Williamson County and The Volunteer Center to make a difference in all corners of the County. "What's special about this Day of Caring is the size and scope of the volunteer effort," said LeAnn Powers, Chief Professional Officer of United Way of Williamson County. "So many people brought their energy and commitment to the programs of our County, providing a clear signal that we are all part of one community focused on advancing the common good."

In Georgetown volunteers graded papers at Annunciation Maternity Home's UT Charter school while additional volunteers organized warehouse items for their upcoming garage sale. In Leander at Open My World Therapeutic Riding Center volunteers constructed a bridge for the obstacle course in the arena.

Taylor has had an old community theater restored to new life after volunteers cleaned and polished the chairs and stage. At STARRY in Round Rock several rooms of an emergency shelter cottage received a fresh coat of paint. Two murals - one a mosaic and the other painted - were created at the Texas Fine Arts Academy in Cedar Park.

Tod Stehling, Development Director at Annunciation Maternity Home noted, "The assistance and support of these volunteers is helping to make a true difference in empowering young women towards independency and self-sufficiency. Our community is a better place because of the philanthropy and compassion of these volunteers."

United Way was built on the belief that by uniting together we can accomplish more than any individual or organization can alone. United Way of Williamson County is bringing together the hearts, hands and minds of our region to make Williamson County the best place in the country for individuals and families to live and prosper. For more information on United Way of Williamson County visit [www.unitedway-wc.org](http://www.unitedway-wc.org) or call 512.255.6799

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