COMMUNITY & EDUCATION REPORT | 2020–2021
As the nation and the world battled to contain COVID-19 in 2020 and 2021, Consolidated Nuclear Security, the company that manages and operates the Pantex Plant in Amarillo, Texas, and the Y-12 National Security Complex in Oak Ridge, Tennessee, provided direct financial support to nonprofit organizations impacted by the pandemic.

Despite the obstacles, CNS continued valuable STEM- and workforce-development-related educational outreach support. CNS provided volunteers for classroom outreach and community service projects and leaders who served on local committees, nonprofit boards, and area business and professional organizations.

We were able to accomplish this by adapting to the changing world of the pandemic, benefitting our local communities in the Texas Panhandle and East Tennessee.

\[ \text{Introduction} \]

\{ \text{In 2020 and 2021, we adapted to difficult circumstances and delivered valuable resources to those who needed us the most.} \}
CNS Chief Operating Officer Bill Tindal and members of the Atomic Trades and Labor Council present East Tennessee Foundation President and CEO Mike McClamroch with a donation for the CNS Community Investment Fund.

Supporting our Communities in 2020 and 2021

Through thoughtful investment and unique employee-directed community funds, CNS provided more than $1 million to nonprofit organizations in the Texas Panhandle and East Tennessee in 2020 and 2021. In addition, Pantex and Y-12 invested nearly $190,000 in local schools and colleges during that time.

**PANTEX**
- Charitable: $530K
- Education: $55K

**Y-12**
- Charitable: $104K
- Education: $558K

**TOTAL**
- Education: $1.28M
Our Capabilities

Pantex and Y-12 Community Investment Fund

Working in virtual space, employee volunteers at Pantex and Y-12 adapted and worked together to screen grant requests, make virtual visits, and deliver recommendations that provided much-needed financial relief to families and communities struggling in the pandemic.

CNS community outreach went virtual as site tours continued despite the pandemic.

“We are proud to be part of the Panhandle and East Tennessee communities. It is truly an honor to partner with these organizations through these grants, and we sincerely appreciate all of the people who use these funds to serve our communities.”

— Jason Bohne, CNS Sr. Director of Communications
In Oak Ridge, CNS’s Employee Committee approved the use of $100,000 for East Tennessee Foundation’s Neighbor to Neighbor Fund for COVID-19 relief. In addition, Bechtel, the lead parent company for CNS, donated $50,000 to East Tennessee Foundation.

In Amarillo, CNS provided $25,000 directly to local agencies battling COVID-19. In addition, the Pantex Community Investment Fund through its partner, the Amarillo Area Foundation, provided more than $121,000 to 16 area nonprofits in 2020.

Scott County Animal Shelter employees show their appreciation for a Community Investment Fund grant.

In 2020, the Community Investment Fund distributed $100,000 to East Tennessee nonprofits, providing relief to at-risk youth, funds for mental health programs, aid to frontline workers, and dollars for families dealing with food insecurity. Since 2015, the Y-12 Community Investment Fund has donated more than $880,000 to East Tennessee organizations.

Fourteen Panhandle nonprofits received $100,000 from the Community Investment Fund in 2021. Since 2014, a total of $960,000 has been donated to more than 50 Panhandle organizations.
Education Outreach

Outreach was a major challenge in 2020 and 2021. Despite the pandemic, CNS continued its efforts to build relationships with K-12 teachers, community colleges, and technical schools.

At Pantex in 2020 and 2021, CNS hosted the Pantex Regional Middle and High School Science Bowls and participated in Los Barrios “Step Up to Success.”

At Y-12, CNS developed virtual classroom discussions and a virtual cyber security camp.

Panhandle-area students competing in the Pantex Regional Science Bowl.

At Pantex in 2021, CNS volunteers officiated the virtual Science Bowls.

Student from New York participating in camp with East Tennessee students.

At both sites, Introduce a Girl to Engineering drew hundreds of young girls’ attention toward an engineering career with in-person events early in 2020 and virtual opportunities in 2021.

Approximately 400 girls from 30 schools across the Texas Panhandle attended Introduce a Girl to Engineering in 2020, while 300 girls attended IGTE events at Y-12. In 2021, the sites were able to connect with girls despite the pandemic through videos and virtual classroom presentations.

Panhandle-area students competing in the Pantex Regional Science Bowl.

At Pantex in 2021, CNS volunteers officiated the virtual Science Bowls.

Student assembles a robot during IGTE at Region 16 in Amarillo.

Approximately 400 girls from 30 schools across the Texas Panhandle attended Introduce a Girl to Engineering in 2020, while 300 girls attended IGTE events at Y-12. In 2021, the sites were able to connect with girls despite the pandemic through videos and virtual classroom presentations.

Local student learning to use powerful programs and commands during the 2021 camp.

At Y-12, CNS developed virtual classroom discussions and a virtual cyber security camp.
Community Engagement and Leadership

Volunteers at both sites provided much needed services to area nonprofit organizations.

1. Michelle Reichert greeting an Eagle Scout who she introduced as a speaker at the Boy Scouts Good Scout Luncheon, the organization’s annual fundraiser, at Hodgetown Stadium in Amarillo.

2. Y-12 Site Manager Gene Sievers presents check to Oak Ridge High School’s Navy Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps program.

3. The Scarboro Alumni Association celebrates high school scholarships funded by CNS.

4. Pantexans build wheelchair ramps for community members needing assistance getting in and out of their homes during the United Way Day of Caring.

5. Members of Y-12’s Serving our Service Members affinity group renovate the Oak Ridge Holiday Bureau with a fresh coat of paint.
Amarillo College Kids College
After impacting more than 3,500 with camps, classes, and hundreds of scholarships in 2019, the traditional Amarillo College Kids College summer camp had to be cancelled in 2020. Pantex was able to think outside the box and engage students with virtual summer camp videos. Students learned about topics such as chemical reactions, understanding germs, and the science of cooking.

“[I] will never be able to convey our appreciation for all that you and Pantex are doing for our community.” — Linda Domínguez, Kids College developmental specialist

Sharing Hope Ministry - Patsy’s Place
Patsy’s Place is a transitional home for women who have been released from prison or jail. The organization has served about 150 women since its doors were opened in 2011.

“Funding from CNS has been instrumental in our program’s ability to provide materials for classes; medical, mental, and dental assistance; events; GED books and supplies; food; hygiene items; and assistance with housing, transportation, and medical expenses for post-offending women in Amarillo.” — Steve Larose, Sharing Hope special events coordinator

United Way of Amarillo & Canyon Emergency Relief Fund Virtual Teletthon
United Way of Amarillo & Canyon (UWAC) partnered with NewsChannel 10 to launch their first-ever Virtual Teletthon. Pantex helped staff the phones to raise over $80,000 for the COVID-19 Emergency Relief Fund.

When asked what United Way does best, Executive Director Katie Noffsker said, “We gather the community around the idea of helping others.”

Food for Residential Home Project
The need for groceries grew exponentially for Michael Dunn Center’s residents, who were forced to shelter in their homes, increasing the number of meals needed each day.

“The CNS grant helped our staff provide the necessary groceries to meet the dietary needs of everyone we serve. The safety of those we support is our top priority and being able to meet the increased need for groceries has been imperative and instrumental to each resident’s well-being.” — Courtney Briley, Michael Dunn Center’s community relations coordinator

Organizations We Support (Pantex)
- A World for Children
- Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)
- Amarillo Children’s Home
- Another Chance Home
- Faith City Mission
- Family Care Foundation
- Heal the City Free Clinic
- Hope Goes Here
- Make-A-Wish
- Martha’s House
- Ronald McDonald House
- Sharing Hope Ministry
- Steam Ramp Project
- The Downtown Women’s Center
- Tom Genter
- Upbring

Organizations We Support (Y-12)
- Aid to Distressed Families of Appalachian Counties
- American Museum of Science and Energy
- Angel Tree
- Big Brothers Big Sisters
- Casing for Recovery
- Children’s Museum of Oak Ridge
- Cold War Patriots
- Covenant Health
- East Tennessee Children’s Hospital
- Smoky Valley Center
- Free Medical Clinic
- Friends of the Smokies
- Helen Ross McNabb Center
- Holiday Bureau
- Junior Achievement
- Oak Ridge Breakfast Rotary Club Foundation
- Leadership & Lymphoma Society
- March of Dimes
- McNabb Center
- Methodist Medical Center of Oak Ridge
- Pull for Our Veterans
- Secret City Festival

High Plains Food Bank
More neighbors than ever needed help putting food on the table in 2020. CNS gave $10,000 to the High Plains Food Bank (HPFB) for the “Together We Can” Food Drive.

“The $10,000 made it possible to provided 50,000 meals for folks in our community.” — Tina Brohlin, Director of Development

Organizations We Support (Y-12)
- Hamblen County Connectivity
- Food for Residential Home Project

Hamblen County Connectivity
CNS funding for access to high-speed internet allowed at-risk families in Hamblen County to keep their children at home.

“By being able to shelter in place, these children were able to continue their learning and keep their families safe from the virus. There is a gap in Hamblen County regarding online learning. Some families can’t afford the cost of internet. Grants like those from CNS kept that gap from widening in 2020.” — Stan Harville, Hamblen County EXCEL executive director

Food for Residential Home Project
A $5,000 grant from CNS was combined with three other East Tennessee Foundation (ETF) funds resulting in a $9,000 Neighbor to Neighbor grant to support the United Way of Anderson County’s crisis response efforts.

“This grant has impacted so many families. We were able to help families by providing food and other essentials so that families could survive the difficult days of the pandemic.” — Naomi Asher, United Way of Anderson County executive director

United Way COVID-19 Crisis Response