



# SAMARITAN CENTER



Change Lives

## We Hope You Are Well

### Resources for Severe Winter Storm Recovery

After last week's devastating winter storm, we hope you are well and safe. We know many of our neighbors are still struggling with access to water and food and the aftermath of damaged homes and businesses.

Below are resources for the following areas:

- [Austin/Travis County](#)
- [Williamson County](#)
- [Hays County](#)
- [Bastrop County](#)

Also check with the [Austin Disaster Relief Network](#) for helpful resources and volunteer opportunities.

## Celebrating Black History Month



### 3 Things to Know about Dr. Kenneth Clark, Mental Health Pioneer

In recognition of Black History Month, we present this excerpt from Episode 76 of Into the Fold, a rare look back at the 1974 Human Condition broadcast featuring the late African American psychologist Dr. Kenneth Clark, whose innovative research in child psychology—conducted alongside his wife, Mamie Phipps Clark—played a pivotal role in winning the legal battle against segregation in schools.

Listen to Hogg Foundation's [podcast](#), "From the Archives: Dr. Kenneth Clark on Racism and Child Well-Being."

## You're Invited to the Virtual ATX Veterans Ball

Friday, March 5, 2021, 7:00 PM

RSVP

Thank you to those of you who have registered for the Veterans Ball and those that are sponsoring!

The **4th Annual ATX Virtual Veterans Ball**, presented by **PCSI**, raises awareness and garners support for the mental health needs of veterans and military families in Central Texas. This year's gala will be a one-of-a-kind virtual event raising funds to support Samaritan Center's no-cost and low-cost mental health services.

**Register and pay** for the event by **February 26** and be **guaranteed to receive a cocktail kit delivered to their home for the evening's festivities!**

Thank you to our loyal sponsors.

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For more info, please contact **jenny@samaritan-center.org** or call (512) 451-7337, ext. 212.

Purchase Tickets

**PCSI**

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March 5, 2021, 7:00pm

Benefiting mental health programs and services for children, families, and veterans.

Register at:  
[Samaritan-Center.org/veterans-ball](http://Samaritan-Center.org/veterans-ball)

**Will You Be a Fundraising Champion?**



## Amplify Austin Day in March 4th-5th

Do you love Samaritan Center? Help us share the love! We are looking for a few people to be **Fundraising Champions** during **Amplify Austin Day**. It's as easy as going to [our page](#), click 'Fundraise' to set up a personal page, then share it!

Amplify Austin Day is our city's annual day of giving and will take place March 4th 6:00 PM to March 5th 6:00 PM.

This year we are thrilled to announce that all donations given through [Samaritan Center's Amplify Austin page](#) from now until March 5th at 6:00 PM will be matched by The Hood Endowment Fund of the Greater Round Rock Community Foundation.

Let's [#AmplifySamaritanCenter!](#)

## Meet A Board Member

### Leonie Dsouza, Trustee

Leonie Dsouza is the Director of the Upward Bound Program at Southwestern University, a program that she has worked with since 2015. Prior to this appointment she worked with Round Rock ISD and Goodwill Industries of Central Texas.



She believes that education has the tremendous power to make a difference in one's life. It has been the driving force behind her dedication to working with low-income, first generation and at-risk students throughout her professional career that has spanned almost 20 years.

She has a Master's Degree of Science from Bombay University, India and a Master's Degree of Education from UT-Austin. She has lived in Austin from 1999 and enjoys reading, travelling, cooking and decorating.

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### Vision

We envision a healthy and compassionate community in which every individual achieves mental, physical, spiritual and social well-being.

### Mission

We heal hearts, provide hope and enhance lives with a holistic approach to mental health for all ages,

whole families and the military community.

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