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MEENDING A BROKEN HEART

The local office of commercial real estate firm Trammell Crow Co. isn't usually in the business of fixing broken hearts.

But the group recently raised \$12,000 to help a child from Belize named Alton from Belize get medical treatment for his heart



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Alton got the surgery he needed.

defect. Through a local nonprofit, the HeartGift Foundation, the money was able to bring the boy to Austin for surgery.

HeartGift only needed \$8,000 for the project, so Trammell Crow is rolling over the extra \$4,000 to kick-start next year's fundraising, the company says. Stan Erwin, senior managing director with the real estate firm, says he hopes to support the nonprofit every year.

"This has been one of the most rewarding charitable experiences we have had as a company," Erwin says.

Alton's treatment was successful, and he's now back home in Belize with his family.

■ Jenny Robertson