

QUICK FACTS ON GÜLEN CHARTER SCHOOLS TEXAS



NUMBER OF SCHOOLS

54



KNOWN AS

**Harmony,
Science and Technology**

TOTAL ENROLLMENT

32,493

CHARTER VENDOR

Harmony Public Schools

TOTAL REVENUES

\$317,437,421

RELATED INSTITUTIONS



Dove Public
Charter School
Foundation



Little Scholars of
Arkansas Foundation



Frontier Schools



Riverwalk Education
Foundation



Harmony D.C.



Read Foundation



Pelican Educational
Foundation



School of Excellence

KEY PEOPLE



Ali Yavuz
Zeybek



Yetkin
Yildirim



Vahap
Uysal



Suleyman
Bahceci



Coskun
Cetinkaya



Soner
Tarim



Maria Frances
Curtis-Richardson



Murat
Torlak



Turgay
Korkmaz



Mehmet Sabri
Agachan



Bulent
Gumus

FINANCIAL ISSUES

In 2012, the TEA published an audit of Harmony's federal program spending. Findings included:



Harmony misspent
\$186,000
in federal funds



Inappropriate use
of federal funds
for payroll



Non-compliant
financial accounting
records

33.7%

of the Title I
expenditures
are questionable



Over Half

of the IDEA special
education expenditures
are questionable



According to the TEA, the questionable costs constituted a "material amount and effectively illustrate the degree to which [Harmony] failed to comply with law, rules and grant requirements and to maintain internal control over federal programs."

BOND FINANCING

Harmony currently
owes a principal and
interest debt of

\$645,405,203.53

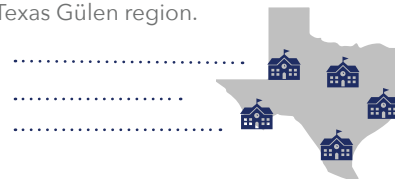
On public bond issuances



Harmony created CSS in 2015 to serve as a third-party real estate arm for financing and developing charter schools in Texas and nine other states in the Greater Texas Gülen region.



CSS



Under its arrangement with Harmony, CSS will own these properties and lease the facilities back to the schools, **charging schools inflated rents** that are significantly higher than the bond service payments and more than the bond reserve fund requirements.

HIRING PRACTICES

Harmony also favors Turkish nationals for leadership positions and, in most cases, Turkish men.



100% of Harmony's ten
senior leadership & six cluster
superintendents positions including
the CEO are Turkish men.

All figures based on available data for
2015-2016 academic year.

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Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, D.C.