

Giving Matters

NEWSLETTER FOR THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF GREENVILLE • SUMMER 2011

Greenville Benefits from Community Enrichment Grants

Eighteen nonprofit organizations will share **\$132,753** from the Community Enrichment Grants program of the Community Foundation. These agencies provide services to Greenville's neediest adults and children and educational and arts opportunities. Greenville is a better place because of its many nonprofit organizations. We thank them for the work they do in our community.

*** COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT GRANTS FOR 2011 ***

EDUCATION PROGRAMS: \$25,493

*** The Children's Museum of the Upstate – \$5,543**

This grant opens the doors of the Museum to exploration by 1,000 children and their chaperones from Title I schools, Head Start Programs, after-school networks and other partners in at-risk communities.



*** Communities in Schools of Greenville County – \$5,000**

Thirty sixth-grade students at Tanglewood Middle School who are at-risk will receive intensive guidance to help them transition from elementary school and develop the skills necessary to successfully progress toward high school.

*** Public Education Partners of Greenville County – \$5,000**

Teachers in two high-need elementary schools will receive professional development to improve their ability to teach reading effectively. The goal is to increase by 15% the number of students reading on grade level by the end of the third grade and to replicate the program in other schools.

*** St. Anthony of Padua Catholic School – \$9,950**

Current successful programs for pre-school children will be extended to the K5 classroom and into the home. School and home will be improved with additional training for teachers, educational sessions for parents, support groups and renovations to the classroom.

HEALTH PROGRAMS: \$19,000

*** Lutheran Homes of South Carolina – \$5,000**

An office of BeWell Home Services will be opened by Lutheran Homes in downtown Greenville. The new office will offer services to 12,500 older adults in Greenville County who need help with daily living activities so they can remain at home.

*** S.C. First Steps to School Readiness – \$4,000**

First Steps will develop an email system for families to help them track their child's developmental progress and provide links to services and resources for information about appropriate development for children and early literacy.

*** Taylors Free Medical Clinic – \$10,000**

This grant will help the clinic provide chronic disease patients with medication during the four week period they often have to wait to qualify for assistance from pharmaceutical companies and avoid serious health consequences.

ARTS & HUMANITIES PROGRAMS: \$12,500

*** Fountain Inn Museum – \$5,000**

This five-week summer enrichment camp for K-12 students is designed to connect youth with generational stories experienced by residents who grew up during the Great Depression, WWII, and Greenville County's expansion. Major themes include archeology, woodworking, quilting, native and African-American experiences and textile community life.

*** Metropolitan Arts Council – \$7,500**

This grant will help fund the design and implementation of a digital strategy that will improve communication, fundraising and awareness of programs and services at MAC, particularly to a younger, tech-savvy audience and improve measurement of online marketing.

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Party for Grant Recipients



The Community Foundation hosted a party at the home of Harriet and Andy Goldsmith in honor of the Community Enrichment Grant recipients on June 1. There was lively conversation, good food, and, best of all, grant checks for the eighteen nonprofits who received funding. *Thank you for all you do for Greenville!*

Grants Review Committee

The Community Foundation thanks these volunteers for their dedication evaluating applications, making site visits and being good stewards of these grant funds.



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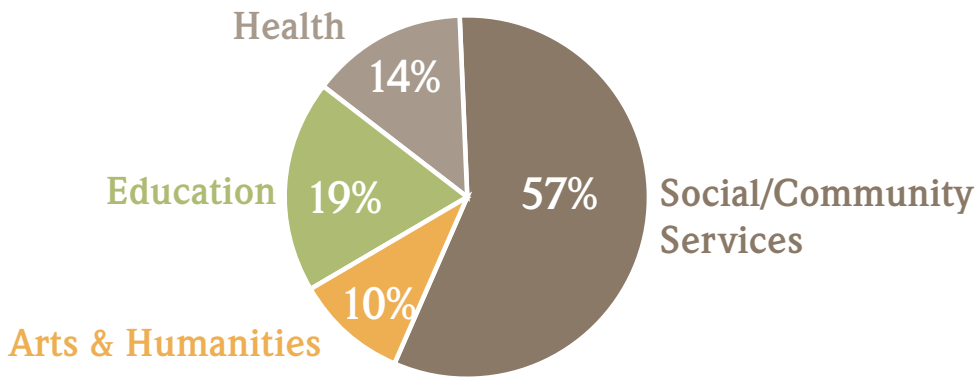
“The fine stewardship and thoroughness of our Grants Review Committee members help ensure that the Foundation’s finite financial resources are prudently allocated. And the tremendous commitment and dedication by our partnering agencies to continually improve our community is both inspiring and heartwarming.”

–Ben Clauss, Chair of the Grants Review Committee

Memorials

PEDRICK STALL LOWREY
(CONTINUED FROM
MAY NEWSLETTER)

- Alta Vista Garden Club
- Carolyn Cody-Fuller
- Ed & Peggy Good
- Steven & Donna Graddick
- Frank B. Halter
- Hayne Hipp Foundation
- Joe & Ann Jennings
- Don & Debbie Martin
- Alex & Fritzie Mumford
- Pete & Sibet Partee
- Reedy River Historic Park Fund
- Ben & Becca Rook
- Jack & Lizzy Sterling
- John & Elizabeth Wells
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President's Message

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SOCIAL & COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRAMS: \$75,760

*** A Child's Haven – \$4,980**

Young children who are abused, neglected and developmentally delayed and their families will receive therapeutic treatment and prevention services at A Child's Haven.

*** Alliance for Collaboration with the Hispanic Community – \$8,500**

This online bilingual resource directory will help Spanish-speaking citizens and the agencies that serve them to get information in Spanish and find services they need. A comprehensive website will expedite services and cross-referrals among agencies, as well as get feedback on services.

*** Fostering Great Ideas – \$5,200**

Family visits for children under foster care operate under an improved model with volunteers who work with parents to improve the experience and assist in faster family reunification when appropriate. This grant partially funds the program manager position.

*** Greenville Humane Society – \$7,980**

The Humane Society has moved into a new home on Airport Road and this grant funds a new technology system to serve the animals and owners by improving and streamlining operations and increasing the long range capacity of the organization.

*** Harvest Hope Food Bank – \$16,000**

This grant will be used to integrate The Benefit Bank of South Carolina with Harvest Hope Emergency Food Pantry in Greenville County.

The Benefit Bank is an online service that connects low- and moderate-income people with eligible work support and benefits.



*** Pendleton Place – \$10,000**

Many children arriving at the shelter have injuries, illnesses or have been sexually abused. This grant provides funding for an on-site medical program of comprehensive pediatric services including complete physical exams, routine care and testing and treatment for sexually-transmitted diseases.

*** Safe Harbor – \$10,000**

Safe Harbor and Mental Health America (MHA) are partnering to provide better service to victims in the evenings and on weekends when only one staff member is at Safe Harbor. The crisis line of Safe Harbor will be transferred to MHA's CRISISline program so their highly-trained interventionists can assist callers.

*** Triune Mercy Center – \$8,100**

This grant will partially fund an upgrade of the computer infrastructure and improve effectiveness and efficiency. It will also enable Triune Mercy Center to communicate across various media with clients and the community.

*** United Ministries – \$5,000**

The Employment Readiness program removes employment barriers like transportation to job interviews, providing assistance for the first week of work before a paycheck, and the requirement of CNA students to complete clinical practicum at the Pelham Road office every day.

YOU CAN HELP...

If you'd like to help fund more grants next year, you can donate on our website. Or just mail a check for the 2012 Community Enrichment Grants to Community Foundation of Greenville. Our mailing address is Community Foundation of Greenville, 27 Cleveland Street, Suite 101, Greenville, SC 29601.

Leadership is the key ingredient in any successful business venture or civic project. Greenville has benefited from a strong tradition of visionary leaders. And with the support of capable and enthusiastic followers, we can all take pride in our common accomplishments.

Penny Fisher, the Superintendent of Greenville County Schools, Fred Baus CEO of the University Center and Grier Mullins Executive Director of the Public Education Partners had developed a strategy to create an Early College program for low-income underachieving students. They researched methods and curricula proven to help these students become first-generation high school graduates who would earn college degrees.

Many of the operational details, curriculum standards and annual budgeting were in place by November 2010 when the Community Foundation was approached for a significant financial commitment to make this innovative public-private partnership a reality. The Community Foundation's strategic planning committee had just recommended that financial and volunteer resources be devoted to middle school students.

Other Greenville-based foundations also agreed to provide financial support. The Hollingsworth Funds, Symmes Foundation, Jolley Foundation, Michelin and the United Way together committed over \$650,000 to establish the Early College. Many of the University Center's college partners have agreed to admit and secure scholarships for the students that graduate from the Early College. And, on June 14th, the Greenville County School Board voted to approve the Early College program. It is slated to start in the fall of 2012.

One of Greenville's distinctive qualities is its ability to rally around leaders and forge partnerships. We're proud to be part of this latest partnership to help our children and youth succeed.

Best regards,
Robert W. Morris, President

If you have made a planned gift for the Community Foundation, please contact Bob Morris at 331-8412.



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Making a Difference

Max Heller — In Memoriam

In so many ways, Max Heller spent his life making a difference. He cared about people and about creating quality places for people to enjoy. As mayor of Greenville, Max was a staunch defender of human rights, working to desegregate all the departments and commissions in the city and to improve treatment of youthful offenders. He had a vision of revitalizing downtown Greenville as the heart of the community with trees, flowers, businesses and inviting spaces.

In the 1970s, Max worked to secure a Federal Urban Development Grant that made it possible to narrow Main Street and attract the Hyatt and convention center as the anchor of North Main Street. This public-private partnership, which included assistance from the Community Foundation, began a new era of bringing business to downtown.

Max Heller said "We must care about everybody." And his life reflected that conviction. He

served as Chairman of the Board of the Community Foundation in 1985, sharing his vision for Greenville and leadership with the nonprofit community. Max and Trude also established a donor-advised fund with the Community Foundation, providing resources to support the needs of Greenville.

In 2007, Friends of Max on Main set out to commemorate the life and work of Max Heller with a statue and display. The Community Foundation supported the project by establishing a donor-advised fund to provide financial accounting for the funds raised by friends and family. The statue was unveiled in 2009 on Max's 90th birthday.

Max Heller passed away in June at the age of 92. We are blessed that Max made Greenville his home.



Grantmaking Deadlines

Hollingsworth Funds, Inc.
SEPTEMBER 2, 2011 AT 4:00 PM
For the benefit of Furman University, the YMCA of Greenville, and for charitable organizations that operate or conduct affairs for the benefit of charitable uses within Greenville County or for the benefit of residents of Greenville County. Visit www.cfgreenville.org.

Greenville Women Giving Grants
JANUARY 18, 2012 AT 4:00 PM
High impact grants from \$40,000 to \$100,000 in the areas of arts and culture, education, environment, health, and human services. Visit www.greenvillewomensgiving.org.



2010 Report to the Community

Legacy donors and the impact of legacy giving is the focus of our 2010 annual report. Last year, 1,074 donors contributed almost \$7 million to funds at the Community Foundation and distributed \$4.8 million to nonprofit organizations. The assets of the Community Foundation grew to \$39 million, an 11% increase over 2009. You can now see the full report for 2010 on our website at www.cfgreenville.org or call us at 233-5925 to request a printed copy.