

Giving Matters

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Penny Cooper Gives Back to Greenville

Penny Cooper has called Greenville home since 1970. A graduate of University of North Carolina—Greensboro, she served in the Peace Corps in Thailand before landing in Greenville where she began her career with the Girl Scouts.

Penny's career with the Girl Scouts spanned thirty-eight years. During her twenty-four year tenure as CEO of the Girl Scouts of the Old Ninety-Six Council, she sought out opportunities for professional development while also managing the constraints placed on a nonprofit organization's budget.

In 2003, Penny applied for and received a grant from the Walter Johnson Trust, which is administered by the Community Foundation. This grant is designated to support staff development for employees of social services agencies that serve the citizens of Greenville County. The grant enabled Penny to participate in a leadership development program at the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania. The program was collaboratively developed by the Girl Scouts and the Wharton School to empower CEOs to effectively address challenges including the development of new programs and reaching new audiences. It helped prepare Penny to lead her council through a successful merger and integration to what is now known



Penny Cooper

as Girl Scouts of South Carolina—Mountains to Midlands. She appreciated the additional training she received as a recipient of the Walter Johnson Trust grant.

Since Penny's retirement in 2008, she has remained active in the community. She enjoys playing golf, volunteers at Senior Action and with the Junior Girls Golf program at Furman, remains involved with the Girl Scouts' local council, and travels whenever she can.

Penny recently became a member of the Legacy Society by designating the Community Foundation as a beneficiary of her estate. When asked why she has chosen to give back through the Community Foundation Penny said, "I loved Greenville when downtown was not what it is today and I am proud to be part of the revitalization. I love the people here. I want to continue to support the

community and find this to be a good way to provide the same support that I benefitted from years ago." We are grateful for the many ways Penny continues to give back to Greenville!

For more information about becoming a Legacy Society member, please contact Gina Blohm at 864-331-8418. For more information about the Walter Johnson Trust grants, please contact Debbie Cooper at 864-331-8414.

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Scholarship Information

Please visit our website at cfgreenville.org/scholarship-funds.php to find a list of available scholarships. Information includes a description, criteria to apply, and application deadlines of all scholarship funds administered by the Community Foundation.

Legacy Society

Our Legacy Society members are creating their own lasting charitable legacy with a planned gift to the Community Foundation or any fund at the Foundation. Planned gifts can be made by will or revocable trust, beneficiary designations of IRA and retirement plan assets, gifts of life insurance, charitable lead trusts, and charitable remainder trusts.

For more information about becoming a Legacy Society member, please call Bob Morris or Gina Blohm at 864-233-5925.



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Founder of Chris and Kelly's HOPE Foundation Fund Receives Community Service Award



Steve Grant, founder of Chris and Kelly's HOPE Foundation Fund, recently received a Community Service Award for his work to address adolescent and young adult substance abuse and addiction. As a recipient, he was awarded \$15,000 from the Northwestern Mutual Foundation. Steve was one of only four Northwestern Mutual advisors across the country to be recognized.

Steve established Chris and Kelly's HOPE Foundation Fund at the Community Foundation in 2011 after the loss of his two sons to accidental overdoses. The fund provides financial assistance to organizations and programs

that strive to help adolescents and young adults who are struggling with substance abuse, addiction, and depression.

Locally, Chris and Kelly's HOPE Foundation Fund has supported The Family Effect, Greenville Family Partnership, FAVOR, and Pavillon Place. In addition, Steve has helped College of Charleston establish a collegiate recovery program for its students. Recently, he has joined the Advisory Board of Medical University of South Carolina's Center for Drug and Alcohol Program. This program focuses on the research on the interrelation of addiction and adolescent brain development.

In his letter of nomination for the award Bob Morris wrote, "Steve is a champion for addiction recovery. His personal efforts are effectively changing the lives of those who face addiction, their families and communities by addressing one of the most critical health crises of our time".

To learn more about the Chris and Kelly's HOPE Foundation Fund, please visit their website at chriskellyhope.org.



Steve Grant with his sons, Chris and Kelly.



President's Message

I meet a lot of very charitable people in my work for the Community Foundation. My calendar consists of appointments with individuals that have the capacity and commitment to support local nonprofits. In addition, I have the privilege of brainstorming with volunteers and key leaders about strategies to improve the quality of life for struggling families. On rare occasions, I have the opportunity to work with people like Penny Cooper and Steve Grant who have both led and supported such endeavors. I hope you will enjoy reading about them in this issue of Giving Matters.

Another remarkable thing about Greenville is its tradition of including the entire community in inspirational arts and cultural activities. For example, thousands of students attend the Peace Outreach Program (POP) which integrates arts and academics for young learners. Recently we lost one of its true champions.

It is with sadness that I note the passing of Mary Peace Sterling. Her legacy exceeds my ability to describe it. But I will remember her fondly on visits to The Peace Center, Furman University, Upcountry History Museum and Pedrick's Garden. Her quick smile and gracious attention welcomed me to Greenville many years ago and she always treated me with kindness and warmth.

Best regards,
Robert W. Morris, President

If you have made a planned gift for the Community Foundation, please contact Bob Morris at 864-233-5925.

Community Foundation Welcomes New Staff Member

Kaye Boyd Lindler joined our staff as the Office Administrator in May 2017. She assists all functions of the office including operations, donor services and development. Kaye and her husband Tim have lived in Greenville most of their lives and have two adult children, Katie and Holly.



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Making a Difference

Margaret and Jack Paylor
Family Scholarship



Samiya Morton-Dotson was one of six students selected as a recipient of the Margaret and Jack Paylor Family

Scholarship Fund in 2017. She is a recent graduate of Legacy Early College High School where she was Salutatorian of her class. She plans to attend Clemson University this fall.

Samiya is the oldest of three children and daughter of Tonya Morton. Her favorite subjects in school are math and science. She plans to major in Biology and go on to medical school to become a pediatrician. Samiya's extra-curricular interests are diverse; she was a member of the varsity basketball team, volunteers at Nicholtown Baptist Church as well as the Phillis Wheatley Repertory Theater.

William Brown, founder of Legacy Charter School, and Cheryl Smith, varsity basketball coach at Legacy, both encouraged Samiya to apply for the scholarship. Samiya said, "I am grateful for the support from my school to find scholarship opportunities to help pay for my college education."

Samiya is looking forward to many new experiences as a freshman this fall. She is excited to learn new things, meet new people, and live on campus.

Congratulations, Samiya!

The Margaret and Jack Paylor Family Scholarship Fund, established in 2016, provides scholarship for economically disadvantaged students who live in Greenville County and plan to attend a South Carolina public college or university.

Grantmaking Deadlines

Capacity Building Grants
SEPTEMBER 29, 2017 at Midnight
Grants will be made to support nonprofit organizations establish and maintain a solid infrastructure and develop good governance. Visit cfgreenville.org.

Greenville Women Giving
DECEMBER 1, 2017 at Midnight
High impact grants will be funded in each of the areas of arts, education, environment, health, and human services. Visit greenvillewomengiving.org.

Walter D. Johnson Trust Grants
DECEMBER 15, 2017 at Midnight
Grants will be made to support staff development for social service agencies. Grants are awarded to 501(c)(3) social service agencies that serve the citizens of Greenville County. Visit cfgreenville.org.



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