Connecting Donor Gifts with Community Needs
It is my great pleasure to write my first letter to the many partners of the Community Foundation of Northeast Alabama. In the early summer of 2011, I had my first experience with the Foundation through the executive search process. I was impressed. The search committee, comprised of board trustees and staff, were very professional and personable. The interview process was well planned and executed. Your Community Foundation made a great first impression!

When I returned to Anniston in July for a second interview, I encountered the same warmth, southern hospitality, friendliness and professionalism. I knew this was the place for me.

I was thrilled when I was offered the position as President and CEO and I accepted immediately. Within a few weeks, my husband and I moved to Anniston from Plymouth, Indiana. September 6, 2011 marks the beginning of my career with the Community Foundation of Northeast Alabama. I discovered an organization with exceptional staff; outstanding trustees; committed volunteers; and, a history of trust, respect and commitment to community and donor service. I am exceedingly blessed to be a part of such an endeavor.

Before moving to Alabama, I held a unique position in Plymouth, Indiana—serving as the CEO of two not-for-profit organizations: the Marshall County Community Foundation and the United Way of Marshall County. Prior to that position, I served as Manager of Administration & Finance for the Department of Physics at the University of Notre Dame. Before joining the University, I served as the Executive Director of the Mental Health Association of St. Joseph County, Inc. My educational background includes a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Finance from the University of Houston and a Master of Business Administration from the University of Notre Dame. I have extensive experience in working with not-for-profit organizations and many years of community volunteerism.

Our Community Foundation is poised for growth in all areas: establishing new funds committed to community assistance; helping more donors establish a charitable legacy; partnering with more not-for-profits and governmental agencies; and, increasing our service as our region’s collaborator, convener and catalyst. The Community Foundation of Northeast Alabama exists to serve the communities in our region today, tomorrow and forever.

I am passionate about community foundations and how they can benefit the people and communities they serve. My promise to you is I will always seek to maintain the trust you have placed in the Foundation.

Sincerely,

Jennifer S. Maddox
President & CEO
As I reflect on my service as chairman of the board I am reminded of a year full of challenges, opportunities and accomplishments.

Having served as a trustee for several years, I was very familiar with the work and mission of the Community Foundation of Northeast Alabama, however, it would be during my term as board chairman that I would truly begin to understand and embrace the value of a Community Foundation and its role in the community.

It’s interesting when one looks back on how things fall into place. In the year just prior to my term as chairman, the Community Foundation expanded its regional footprint to encompass nine counties. It would be during my term that the Foundation would reach out to many new communities, build new partnerships, make many new friends and provide financial support to communities in need who had one thing in common, devastation. In the months that followed, these opportunities came by the dozens as we began to examine how we could assist our community in the rebuilding of homes and lives. In the end, a very generous community pulled together to raise the funds needed for long-term recovery from the storms of April, 2011.

Throughout the pages of this report you will learn much more about our work through the gifts of generous donors, grants and scholarships and how you can join these efforts and be a part of our journey. As a Community Foundation we strive to be community-minded partners, trusted investors, visionary thinkers, and opportunity connectors.

I consider it an honor to have been selected to serve as chairman and have enjoyed the opportunity to grow its mission.

Leon Garrett

Board Chairman
2010-2011

Our Values

- We place the community as our highest priority.
- We honor the charitable intentions of our donors.
- We promote inclusion and challenge prejudice in all of its forms.
- We uphold professional, ethical and fiduciary standards.
- We exercise impartiality and fairness in distributing assets.
Inspiring Philanthropy - Gifts of Recovery

We hear it and see it over and over again. Disasters bring out the best in us. That’s when we come together to help those in need. This was experienced once again on April 27th of 2011 when our state was ravaged by tornadoes. Just hours after the storms passed, volunteers were out assessing the needs and helping to restore our communities.

As a Community Foundation we knew we wanted to be involved. The board of trustees established a fund of $20,000 to assist our community. As we heard stories of lost lives and homes from our neighboring communities of Cherokee, DeKalb and Etowah, the needs for financial assistance grew. The news spread quickly and caught the eyes and hearts of many who felt the same desire as us, to help. Gifts poured out to those needing assistance through labors of love working in the trenches, from school children in Chicago who collected money and from local artists who entertained crowds through fundraisers and more.

The Community Foundation of Northeast Alabama received a challenge like it had never experienced before. This challenge came from The Patterson Foundation of Sarasota, Florida. This young private foundation had a gift for our communities. The gift was a challenge grant to match dollar-per-dollar each contribution up to $250,000. Their gift gave everyone an opportunity to participate and build philanthropy. As the word spread throughout the communities, the creativity to meet the challenge grew and people asked themselves, “How Can I Help”? The photos on this page tell the story.

Several other events took place in towns on the weekends and within six months, over $500,000 was raised for tornado relief. What took hours to destroy will take years to rebuild. Through the generosity of donors many will be helped in the recovery process. Follow our journey on our website www.yourcommunityfirst.org and visit us on Facebook. While you are there, please “Like” Us.
Watching from 500 miles away in Indianapolis – we knew we wanted to help
– The Lilly Endowment Fund

The Indianapolis-based Lilly Endowment has awarded a $1.5 million grant to the United Way of Central Alabama to aid in recovery efforts. Drew Langloh, President and CEO of United Way of Central Alabama is pictured with Eula Tatman, Vice President for the Community Foundation of Northeast Alabama. The check, in the amount of $10,538, is for long term recovery in Cherokee County.
Generous Donors & Grantors
Build Recovery Fund of over $500,000

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Bill and Emily Robison
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Phillip and Elise Sanguinetti
Richard Sharpton
Henry and Patricia Smith
James Walker Swift
The Water Works and Sewer Board of the City of Anniston
John and Susan Williamson

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Lori Brown-James
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Bob and Mary Ann Couch
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Steven and Melba White
Johnny Williams
Charlotte Wilson
Dai Wilson
Hal Wilson
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In Kind Donations
Calhoun County Baptist Association
Cherokee County Chamber of Commerce
John Chevalier, Chevalier Productions
Carl McDuff, CRS Printing and Promotions
First Baptist Church of Williams and
Michael B. Oliver, Pastor
Jon Holder with Grace Radio
Retired Senior Volunteer Program
of Calhoun County
The Salvation Army of Anniston
Tyn Tymes Band
Walmart - Centre
Walmart Store #0301

We have made every effort to provide a complete and accurate listing of our generous donors. Please accept our sincere apologies if we have made a mistake or omission. Please contact us at 256-231-5160 and we will gladly correct our records.

Rita Green’s home is being built in partnership with the Community Foundation, Storm Troopers and volunteers from the Calhoun County Baptist Association.
### List of Funds & Distributions for the year ending September 30, 2011

**Unrestricted Funds** $12,196.00  
The donor gives the Board of Trustees full discretion to make grants that respond to the community’s greatest needs. $10,000 minimum to start a fund.

- Longleaf Fund
- R. L. and Jean Marrow Jordan Charitable Fund

**Field of Interest Funds** $552,392.00  
The fund’s grantmaking focuses on a particular charitable area, such as child development, education, animal welfare or other broad areas of interest. The Foundation then ensures that your fund supports meaningful projects providing impact to the targeted social need.

- Susie Parker Stringfellow Health Fund
- E. D. King Family Fund
- Foothills Community Partnership Fund
- Gene Inglis Music Scholarship Fund
- George and Louise Ritch Endowment Fund
- Hon. & Mrs. J. Fay Guin, Jr. Charitable Fund
- Juliette P. Doster Fund
- Leamon (Lea) Fite, Jr. Charitable Fund

**Institutional Endowment Funds**  
Establishment or contributions to an existing endowment fund in support of a specific nonprofit organization, religious institution or government agency to provide annual operating support or to provide long-term funding for a specific project. $10,000 minimum to start a fund.

- Community Foundation of Northeast Alabama Operating Endowment Fund
- Anniston Museum Corporation Endowment Fund
- Boy Scout Troop #247 Endowment Fund
- Calhoun/Cleburne Mental Health Endowment Fund
- Calhoun County 4-H Club/Alabama Tree Trust Endowment Fund
- Cherokee County Historical Museum Endowment Fund
- Dr. Gerald Woodruff Honorary Fund benefiting Calhoun County Medical Society
- East Central Alabama United Cerebral Palsy Endowment Fund
- Faith Christian School Endowment Fund
- First Presbyterian Church of Anniston Endowment Fund
- Hank Turpin Endowment Fund benefiting Habitat for Humanity
- Jacksonville City Schools Education Trust Endowment Fund
- Joy Kathryn Courtney Endowment Fund benefiting Second Chance, Inc.
- Kiwanis Club of Anniston Endowment Fund
- Knox Concert Series Endowment Fund
- Longleaf Botanical Gardens Endowment Fund
- Patti Jensen Memorial Fund benefiting St. Francis Xavier Catholic School
- Public Library of Anniston & Calhoun County Endowment Fund
- Rainbow Omega, Inc. Endowment Fund
- Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic School Endowment Fund
- YMCA of Calhoun County Endowment Fund

**Non-Endowed Funds** $223,887.00  
The primary purpose of the Fund shall be designated by the donor.

- Anniston Noon Rotary Club Charitable Fund
- Anniston Morning Rotary Club Charitable Fund
- Edward Crutcher Charitable Fund
- Good Choices Fund benefiting children served by the Anniston Parks & Recreation Department
- Kiwanis Club of Anniston Charitable Fund
- The Animal Shelter Fund

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**Six new gifts were created during this year. Each for a special purpose.**

- **Evans Litigation Scholarship Fund**  
  Strengthening a Community with Education Opportunities
  A fund created by Phelps Dodge Industries, Inc.; Mifflin Custom Papers, L.P.; TFCO, Companions United, L.P. and United States Pipe and Foundry Company, L.L.C. in part of a litigation settlement to provide financial assistance to qualified applicants from Calhoun County who seek to improve themselves and their communities through continuing their education. Awards from this fund are to be applied toward training or certification courses, including trade schools that meet industry recognized standards. Scholarship awards are specifically for the pursuit of career-related studies and cannot be used for recreational, hobby or cultural interests.

- **Jenifer Recovery Fund**  
  A fund created by Mark R. Longleaf Industries, Inc; Longleaf Fund
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Our gift is to the community from the Anna Satcher Scholarship Support Fund of Mt. Liberty Baptist Church.

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This fund was created after the April 27, 2011 storms as a way to assist in the recovery efforts and to assist individuals in rebuilding their homes and businesses. While many organizations were on the ground quickly responding to needs, the Foundation began to work through community partnerships and support to establish a fund that would provide assistance in the future. A committee comprised of representatives from the four counties affected, members of the Foundation’s Board of Trustees, a professional from home construction, and members of the local faith-based community working day to day with recovery efforts throughout the region. The committee is tasked with the responsibility of distributing the funds based on priority of need to not-for-profit organizations, area businesses providing goods and services and government agencies, not to individuals.
Designated Funds $3,000.00
The donor may specify one or more charitable organizations to receive annual distributions providing them ongoing support. $10,000 minimum to start a fund.

Arthur F. and Barbara R. Toole and Family Fund benefitting First Presbyterian Church of Talladega
Charles W. Babcock, III Memorial Fund benefitted Sacred Heart School
George and Louise Ritch Designated Fund benefitted Rainbow Omega
Karan Lee Evans Memorial Fund benefitted Cartersville Middle School
Margaret E. Tucker Designated Fund benefitted the Opportunity Center
Marie T. Rayfield Charitable Fund benefitted First Presbyterian Church of Anniston
Mary Charles Cassidy Charitable Fund benefitted All Saints Interfaith Center of Concern
Oleta B. Spearman Fund benefitted the Anniston/Calhoun County Public Libraries
Sister Maria Luther Charitable Fund benefitted Sacred Heart School

Donor Advised Funds $62,100.00
Gives you an opportunity to express all your philanthropic interests. Donor recommendations are submitted to the Foundation board for approval. This fund type is an efficient alternative to a private foundation. $10,000 minimum to start a fund.

Carla and Cleophus Thomas, Jr. Family Fund
Dr. & Mrs. Arthur F. Toole III Charitable Fund
Dr. & Mrs. James W. Mullins Jr. Charitable Fund
E.C. Lloyd & J.C.U. Johnson Family Fund
Greg and Cheryl Potts Charitable Fund
Jerry L. & Judy Klug Advised Fund
Joyce Parker and Linda Parker Charitable Fund
Mack & Rebecca Burt Charitable Fund
Mrs. Stanton B. Ingram Charitable Fund
Robert and Mary Ann Couch Charitable Fund
Susan Artemis Spector Wisminiti and Connor Jacob Wisminiti Memorial Fund
William E. Wakefield Charitable Fund

Scholarship Funds $50,250.00
Name and designate a scholarship fund to provide financial assistance to students or professionals to advance their education. You may define guidelines for candidacy, the review committee, the school and the basic requirements. $50,000 minimum to start a fund.

Alabama State University Alumni Scholarship Fund
Anna Satcher Scholarship Support Fund
Anniston High School Scholarship Fund
Calhoun County Auburn University Scholarship Fund
Cleve Holloway Memorial Scholarship Fund
Daniel Davenport Memorial Scholarship Fund
Dr. Clarence W. & Mrs. Juanita Harris Jairrels Scholarship Fund
Dr. Martha Merrill Scholarship Fund
Farley Moody Galbraith Scholarship Fund
Gerald Powell Scholarship Fund
Guin-Stanford Scholarship Fund
H.T. and Terrell Stanford Scholarship Fund
Harry M. & Edel Y. Ayers Scholarship Fund
Joseph and Amelia Saks Scholarship Fund
Kathryn Ann (Kate) Malatino Memorial Scholarship Fund
Leslie and Mary Ella Scales Memorial Scholarship Fund
Mark D. Sawyer Memorial Scholarship Fund
Mary Katherine (Katy) Williamson Memorial Scholarship Fund
Melanie Edmondson Memorial Scholarship Fund
Nathan Jackson Sparks Memorial Scholarship Fund
Pedmont Education Trust Fund (includes 20 scholarships)
Samuel and Ruby Turner Memorial Scholarship Fund
Sunrisers Scholarship Fund
Todd Edmondson Memorial Scholarship Fund
Whitney Laine Gallahar Memorial Scholarship Fund

Piedmont Lions Club Scholarship
The club created a new scholarship within the Piedmont Education Trust Fund which currently offers 21 scholarships to students.

Alabama State University Alumni Scholarship Fund
(Middle Row - l to r)  James Hall, William Hutchings, Dr. Richard Hooks, Dr. Clarence Jairrels, Nettie Robinson, Dorothy Carnegie, Georgia Calhoun, Titus Storey, Eula Tarman. (Front Row - l to r)  Dr. Ruby Evans, Juanita Jairrels, Dr. Mary Harrington, Cynthia Tucker, Charles Jennings, Alberta Jennings, John Oliver.

This fund was created by area alumni of the Alabama State University Anniston/Calhoun Chapter for students seeking post-secondary studies from their alma mater. The fund will provide support for African American seniors graduating from Calhoun County who wish to attend Alabama State University.
Love at the End of a Rainbow

Fund Spotlight

Nestled in the countryside of Talladega County is Rainbow Omega. As you approach the corner of Peaceful Valley and Hopeful Drive, you twist and turn through 275 beautiful acres of resident homes with screened in porches, welcoming gazebos, basketball goals, vegetable gardens and most of all, happy residents with one thing in common...the need for a special home—one that is safe, loving and designed with their needs in mind. The residents of Rainbow Omega are intellectually disabled—whether from birth, an accident or disease. These 79 residents are between the ages of 18 to 87. In individual homes, residents gather around a large dining table with house parents and enjoy their morning and evening meals. Just after breakfast, they are off to their daily routine which for some consists of assembling parts and owner’s manuals for the neighboring Honda plant. For others, planting and caring for the seasonal plants in a greenhouse. At noon they lunch together in the cafeteria. After the evening meal, residents play Wii, other games or just sit on the screened in porch and enjoy nature and the wildlife which surrounds them.

The facility opened in 1995 with 16 residents. Today, 89 employees carefully oversee the operations of the facility. Residents grow and sell seasonal plants to the public throughout the year and at Christmas they deliver their beautiful poinsettias to neighbors. In 2012 a new facility will open and house a larger and more advanced assembly line, a physical training area, medical area and computer lab. A fitness instructor will be onsite to make sure the residents are healthy and physically fit.

Pictured is Shelly packaging bags of grommets two and six to a pack. Shelly looks forward to her job each day and is excited and happy to meet new friends. This partnership is built on the needs of an industry and the willingness of people to work. “They love to work and earn a paycheck,” says Stentson Carpenter, CEO.

Meet Jared from Gadsden, Alabama. He speaks many languages, plays the piano, sings, and can quickly tell you the day of the week you were born when you provide the day of the month and year. Jared’s friends on the assembly line say he keeps them moving with his songs and wit.

Just around another corner, one might be surprised to stumble onto an RV park tucked away in the forest. Stentson says, “Each year many volunteers make Rainbow Omega their destination vacation. They stay with us for days or weeks at a time and volunteer their talents. As many as 12 RV’s are camped at any time and sometimes as many as 17 are parked there.

Rainbow Omega has grown, prospered and been embraced by the community. Businesses have partnered to provide funding for a home or host special events onsite for the residents. The Community Foundation provided half of the funding for the Stringfellow Strickland Home. Recently opened, a new medical facility which houses 15 residents. Many of the rooms have been designed in memory or honor of someone. Residents enjoy meals in a large dining room with a beautiful view of the woods and gather for activities in a spacious great room.

“The dream of each parent faced with the task of raising a child with special needs is to live one day longer than they do. Should this dream not be realized, Rainbow Omega is the answer to many prayers”, says Stentson Carpenter, founder. Along with his wife, Dianne, they have two children, Chris and Mike. Chris was born with special needs. It was while raising Chris they realized the need for a home like Rainbow Omega. Mike is the Director of Operations for the facility.

If you would like to support the work of Rainbow Omega, you may contribute to the following funds established with the Community Foundation of Northeast Alabama. The Rainbow Omega Endowment Fund was created in 2004 by Mrs. Dortha G. Travis. The Ritch Designated Fund was created in 2010 by George and Louise Ritch. Both of these funds support the work of Rainbow Omega.
The Anvil Story
Since the early 1800’s, iron ore mining and foundry work has shaped the communities in Northeast Alabama. Though the mines have closed, the fabrication of raw materials into their end products continues to be a source of pride and craftsmanship. With this heritage in mind, the anvil has been selected as a fitting symbol to recognize thoughtful donors whose generosity will shape the future well-being of the cities and towns in our region.

In support of our charitable goals, donors may affirm their desire to make a deferred gift benefitting the Community Foundation of Northeast Alabama. Through a bequest you may leave:
- A will or testamentary gift
- A charitable gift annuity, charitable trust or other split-interest gift
- A deferred gift of cash, stock or other personal property
- A contract gift such as life insurance, IRA designation or real estate
- Other gift, such as a royalty, patent, timber, rights, lease, or note

Through your estate plan, you can direct the creation of a permanent charitable endowment with the Community Foundation. This endowment will make grants forever, in your name, to the charities and causes you specify. If you prefer, you may direct your gift to an existing fund.

Anvil Members
Anonymous Donors • Mary S. Bernhard • Lindie K. Brown Mack & Rebecca Burt • Reverend & Mrs. Robert Childers Elizabeth S. Colyer • Bobby & Elaine Edmondson • Joseph B. Freeman • Forrest & Joyce French • Hon. & Mrs. J. Foy Guin, Jr. Wayne & Nicki Carmello-Harper • Chris & Virginia Hopkins Janice T. Hudson • Betty Hill Jackson • Mr. & Mrs. Robert L. Jackson • Mary Elizabeth Johnson • Harland C. Jones • Jerry L. & Judy M. Klug • Dr. Martha Merrill • John Pello • Jean L. Phillips Beverly Alison Ritch • Dr. Brenda Roberts • J. Mitchell Rogers Wes & Cheri Smith • Daniel E. & Esta G. Spector • Ronald & Eula Tatman • Anita Genevieve Turpin • Susan Waldron

Deceased Members
Edward Crutcher • Karan Lee Evans • Elizabeth G. Freeman • Mrs. Stanton B. Ingram • L. R. & Jean Jordan Gertrude C. Luther, M.D. • Paula Pello • Marie T. Rayfield • Mr. & Mrs. George B. Ritch, Jr. • Mr. & Mrs. Andrew J. Saks • Oleta B. Spearman • H. T. & Terrell Stanford • Susie Parker Stringfellow
Each year, the Community Investment Committee of the Community Foundation of Northeast Alabama awards grants to deserving not-for-profit organizations who need financial support for specific projects in areas such as healthcare, education and human services. During the period of October 1, 2010 - September 30, 2011, $523,028 was awarded to support the work of the organizations shown below. These grants will greatly help our local community's needs. By connecting needed funds to deserving opportunities, the Community Foundation can help make our community a better place to live.

In 2010, the grant application process was streamlined and simplified with an online process through the Foundation’s website. Grant applications are due on September 1 and March 1.

If your organization would like more information about applying for a grant, please call our office at 256-231-5160 or visit our website at www.yourcommunityfirst.org.

### Children’s Policy Council Grant 10
**Children’s Services, Inc.**
Support for personnel costs
$6,250

### Early Education Initiative
**Sirius Education, Inc.**
School Readiness and Student Achievement Initiative
$78,537

### Ed Crutcher Charitable Fund
**All Saints Interfaith Center for Concern**
General operations
$24,000

### Karen Lee Evans Memorial Fund
**Cartersville Middle School**
Media Center - to provide learning opportunities for all students
$2,000

### Longleaf - Faith Based & Community Service Grants
**Calhoun/Cleburne Children’s Center**
Support direct services for families in Cleburne County
$438

**Carey Baptist Association**
Community Needs in Clay County
$482

**Cherokee County Family Resource Center**
Support direct services for families in Cherokee County
$777

**Morrison Crossroads Volunteer Fire Department**
General support
$813

**Sylacauga Alliance for Family Enhancement**
Support direct service programs for families in Talladega County
$2,768

**United Way of East Central Alabama**
Support direct services for families in Calhoun County
$2,059

### Mary Charles Cassidy Fund
**All Saints Interfaith Center for Concern**
Unrestricted grant for charitable purposes
$1,000

### Grants and Scholarships

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### Our Vision
The Foundation will leverage and use its philanthropic resources to foster a region where residents have access to medical care, where quality education is supported and valued and where people respect and care for one another.
Grants awarded from the Susie Parker Stringfellow Health Fund

2nd Chance, Inc.
Support for purchase of copier $1,500

Alabama Association of Nonprofits
Alabama Association of Nonprofits Summit, provided annual training to the following grant recipients $2,255
- Agency for Substance Abuse
- American Red Cross
- Boys and Girls Clubs
- Health Service Center, Inc.
- The Salvation Army

Alabama Lifespan Respite Network
Training/support for respite for caretakers of the disabled in Calhoun County $5,000

Alabama Partnership for Children
Collaborative Early Childhood Health Project $10,000

Calhoun County Commission
Calhoun County Extension MEP/4-H Program/Nutrition Program $6,000

Calhoun/Cleburne Mental Health
Telecommunication Equipment $5,000

Cobb Elementary School
Physical Education Department/equipment & supplies $13,350

Coosa Valley Youth Services
Purchase of indoor exercise/physical fitness activity equipment $2,500

Council on Foundations
General Support $2,100

East Alabama Regional Planning Commission
Paratransit Transportation $5,000

Impact Alabama
Supplies and Screening Equipment/Vision Screenings $7,500

Interfaith Ministries, Inc.
Meals on Wheels program for additional clients/Doster Award $6,000

JSU Wellness Center
Supplies and equipment for community screenings, youth summit $7,500

Options for Hope
Alabama Guide to Family and Community Services $8,000

Piedmont City Schools
Mpower Program $10,000

Quality of Life Health Services, Inc.
Equipment for Medical Clinic $5,000

Simon Solutions
Nonprofit subscriptions for Charity Tracker $1,296

Sirius Education, Inc.
School Readiness and Student Achievement Initiative $100,000

Steel Magnolias
Doster Award $1,000

United Way of East Central Alabama
"Waiting for Superman" a community forum discussing opportunities in education $1,000

YMCA of Calhoun County
Capital building program $52,457

Thank You - The Community Investment Committee consists of trustees, staff and community volunteers. This committee is responsible for reviewing and evaluating grant applications from qualified charitable organizations providing services in the nine counties served by the Foundation. Committee members: Esta Spector, Anthony Cook, Susan Gibbins, Steven Folks, Dodie Coleman, Susan Williamson, Eula Tatman
Scholarship Highlights
The 2011 awards totaled $27,000 and represent 14 individual scholarships.

Scholarship recipients attend the following colleges: Jacksonville State University, Huntingdon College, University of Alabama in Huntsville and Tuscaloosa, Auburn University, Treve-Hardenman, Bethune-Cookman and the University of Mobile.

Front Row (l to r): Brady Magounick, Jeremy Wilson, Courtney Carbolle, Tyler Robinson,
Lindie Abercrombie, Brittney Bradford.

Back Row (l to r): Caleb Duke, Gabrielle Webber, Quinta Jackson.
Not pictured: Andrea Smith, Jessica Wilson, Kayla Headrick, Morgan White.

JSU Wellness-Anniston Single Mom Program awarded 4 scholarships through its Single Parent Scholarship Program. The Single Parent Scholarship Program goals are to offer empowerment, education, encouragement, recognition, and support. The 2011 scholarship recipients are Miss Bethany Crook, Miss Lisa Cribbs, Miss Deanna Gerritsen and Miss Kanesha Williams. Miss Crook and Miss Cribbs will be studying in the Medical Billing and Coding program, Miss Gerritsen will be studying in the EKG Certification, and Miss Williams will be studying in the Pharmacy Technician program. The Community Foundation of Northeast Alabama partnered with Alabama Power and Wal-Mart.

Thank You -
The Scholarship Committee consists of trustees, staff and community volunteers. This committee is responsible for reviewing scholarship applications from qualified applicants according to established guidelines. Committee members are: Steven Folks, Lewis Doggett, Martha Merrill, Angela Dickert, Cathy Clifton, Susan Gibbins, Brenda Stedham, Redge Thagard, Debbie Davis, Lynda Aker, Natasha Scott.
The Community Foundation of Northeast Alabama is pleased to announce the Piedmont High School Class of 2011 recipients of the following Piedmont Education Trust Fund Scholarships:

Walter Thompson - Scholarship to Hannah Cooper
The VanSant Family - Scholarship to Breanna Dixon
Leola Roberts - Scholarship to Samantha Baldwin
Dr. W.H. Kimbrough - Scholarship to Lauren Brown
McAbee/Salmon - Scholarship to Jessica DeVoe
Vera and Morgan Stewart - Citizenship - Scholarship to Jalen Johnson
Vera and Morgan Stewart - Advance Diploma - Scholarship to Hunter Amberson
Vera and Morgan Stewart - Standard Diploma - Scholarship to Tia Richardson
Vera and Morgan Stewart - Standard Diploma - Scholarship to Victoria Sears
Vera and Morgan Stewart - Education Major - Scholarship to Emily Jones
Lewis and Monteel Savage - Scholarship to Ellie New
Weldon “Pinkie” Roberts - Scholarship to Niesha Burroughs
Ryan Davis - Scholarship to Adam Thomas
Dr. John R. Kirkpatrick - Scholarship to Devin Rankin
Frank Watson - Scholarship to Megan Christopher
Granger Latta - Scholarship to Ethan Downey
Larry and Jane Gowens - Scholarship to Kelly Martin
Health - Scholarship to Lauren Brown
Health - Scholarship to Morgan Stewart
Miranda Givens - Scholarship to Coltin Allison
Erin Givens - Scholarship to Noah Willis
Class of 68 - Scholarship to Lauryn McCord
William Theodore Law - Scholarship to Lauryn McCord
Florence Bates Law - Scholarship to Samantha Baldwin
C.R. West - Scholarship to Noah Willis
Meagan McCain - Scholarship to Hilarie Hincy

The Piedmont Education Trust (PET) was founded in 1992 to help fund various educational and support programs in the Piedmont City School System. Your tax deductible donation may be sent “In Memory Of” or “In Honor Of” to Piedmont Education Trust c/o the Community Foundation of Northeast Alabama, P.O. Box 1826, Anniston, AL 36202

Gertie Lowe Scholarship

The Gertie S. Lowe Scholarship Fund of the Community Foundation awarded scholarships to six students totaling $16,000.00 to students from Gadsden State Community College.

The Fund was named in honor of Mrs. Lowe who graduated cum laude in 1980 from Gadsden State Community College with a degree as a registered nurse. As president of her class she was known for her vision, leadership and encouraging spirit to students. It is said that the middle initial “S” in her name stands for “Some kind of trail blazing Lowe.” Her love for people was instilled in her early in life through the examples of her mother and grandmother. Today, she remains committed to serving others and loving people. Gadsden is her home and she is active in volunteer work recruiting future nurses and as a tutor in math and reading.

This fund was established by foundation trustees ten years ago to provide funding for full or part-time students in the LPN and RN programs at Gadsden State Community College. Realizing the need to grow nursing careers, the Foundation created a scholarship to provide financial assistance to area students. Eula Tatman, Vice President says, “The largest assets of the Community Foundation are from a number of donors who have designated healthcare as the primary purpose of their gifts. Because of their generosity and commitment to better our community this scholarship is possible.” Scholarship recipients are selected based on their personal aspirations and contributions to the nursing profession, along with strong moral character, academic ability and school and community service.
Volunteers Honored For Outstanding Service In Healthcare

The Community Foundation of Northeast Alabama is pleased to announce the winners of the 2010 Juliette P. Doster Award for Outstanding Volunteerism in Healthcare. The award recognizes personal commitment, overall impact and extraordinary service in promoting or advancing healthcare in Calhoun County.

Helen Henley of Anniston gives tirelessly of her time and talents to support the patients and staff of Northeast Alabama Regional Medical Center, her church and the entire community. Helen is always a welcomed site to those who need a prayer and words of comfort and support. Margaret Taylor of Heflin is a cancer survivor, musician and educator. In January of 2006, she joined Steel Magnolias, a breast cancer support group. Margaret is passionate about promoting the early detection of breast cancer to young girls. As director of the Steel Magnolias School Girl Awareness Program, she has assisted registered nurses in teaching the importance of early detection to nearly 6,000 girls in area schools.

Recipients of the Doster Award are individuals who give of their time and talent at no cost in an institution or organization providing: (i) direct health or medical services such as a hospital, medical clinic, rehabilitation, assisted living, or nursing facility; (ii) medical education advancing the public’s awareness of health issues, health choices or a healthy lifestyle; and (iii) medical education or training to expand the public’s ability to respond to emergencies through specialized training or certifications. Recipients must be residents of Calhoun County or contribute their volunteer services in Calhoun County.

The Juliette P. Doster Award is an engraved crystal clock symbolizing the many hours of service donated for the betterment of our community along with a $1,000.00 grant from the Susie Parker Stringfellow Health Fund to a not-for-profit organization designated by the recipient.

Past recipients of this award include: George Areno, Calhoun County Head Injury Foundation; Bibby Cunningham, Salvation Army Women’s Auxiliary; Lolan Granger, ARC of Calhoun County; Eleanor Youngblood and Tony Areno, St. Michael’s Clinic; Jean Flanders, Medical Center Memorial Foundation; Karen Morris, Health Services Center; and, Dr. Brenda Roberts, American Cancer Society.
Benefits of Giving through the Community Foundation

Simplicity
It is easy to give through the Community Foundation of Northeast Alabama. Unlike establishing and maintaining a private foundation, a fund at the Community Foundation does not have the same IRS compliance and administrative requirements. Many donors have found working with the Community Foundation is the easiest and most convenient way to manage their charitable giving.

Flexibility
The Community Foundation is unique in its ability to offer highly individualized giving programs for any donor (individuals, families, businesses, civic clubs, etc.) You create a charitable fund that will achieve your goals, and you give the type of asset that provides you with the best tax benefits.

Convenience
It is simple to create a fund with the Community Foundation, and continuing a working relationship remains easy after the fund is established. All administrative tasks are handled by the Foundation staff, including management of complex contributions, records of transactions, disbursement of checks, and researching issues and organizations of interest to you. All fund holders receive semi-annual fund statements in the mail.

Choice
Donors make grant recommendations to the program, organization, or interest of their choice. The Community Foundation staff has helpful information regarding the needs of the community.

Tax Benefits
The Community Foundation qualifies as a public charity under the Internal Revenue Code, thereby offering donors the maximum charitable tax deduction allowed. A wide variety of assets may be used to establish your fund—including appreciated stock, real estate, retirement plan assets, and cash.

Recognition or Anonymity
When a grant is given from your charitable fund, you may choose to receive public recognition or remain completely anonymous.

Stewardship and Accountability
The Community Foundation is in compliance with the National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations as is a member of the Council of Foundations. Our funds benefit from high quality and diversified investment management.

Permanence
A gift to the Community Foundation can benefit the community in perpetuity. Donors can be confident that these gifts will always be available to meet the changing needs of their community. For those who wish, grants will be made in their name as a lasting symbol of their care and concern. A permanent record of your charitable interests, philanthropic endeavors, community legacy and giving philosophy is maintained.

Satisfaction
Most people have a desire to help others and to fulfill a charitable vision in their own hearts. The Community Foundation is deeply rooted in the community and seeks to implement and perpetuate these visions and to facilitate the humanitarian efforts of each donor.
### Statement of Financial Position
#### September 30, 2011 and 2010

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#### LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

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**Reports Available**

The current annual report, IRS Form 990, and public information items such as an annual audit report, fees charged, spending (distribution) policy, and investment manager information for the Community Foundation of Northeast Alabama are available to all interested individuals. Copies of documents may be requested by writing, calling, faxing, or visiting our office. Electronic copies of the annual report and the IRS Form 990 are available online at www.yourcommunityfirst.org and click the Learn tab.

Please use the contact information below when requesting copies of documents.

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“Adopting and adhering to high standards is the best way we can demonstrate our ongoing commitment to our donors and the entire community,” says Jennifer S. Maddox, President and CEO. “We are committed to reaffirming the trust and integrity that are a hallmark of our foundation.”

The Community Foundation of Northeast Alabama has been reviewed and is confirmed to be in compliance with the National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations in critical areas of operations including Mission, Structure, and Governance; Resource Development; Stewardship and Accountability; Grant Making and Community Leadership; Donor Relations; and Communications.

A total of forty-three standards address six key areas of community foundation operations.

**Grant Making and Community Leadership**
including standards related to broad and open grant making programs, due diligence and responsiveness to changing community needs.

**Donor Relations**
embracing guidelines for informing, educating and involving donors in responding to community needs.

**Communications**
including openness to public scrutiny and frequent communication about activities and finances.

National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations were designed to demonstrate transparency and financial responsibility. In addition, they also guide governing boards to adopt sound policies and practices and help build capacity of the community foundations to carry out their missions.

The Community Foundation of Northeast Alabama received compliance in 2006 and recompliance in 2011.
Members of the Foundation’s Board of Trustees serve as volunteers. They bring a wealth of expertise and business experience to the Foundation. Their experience spans the fields of finance, healthcare, education, banking, administration, journalism, law, and insurance. Members are charged with the fiduciary responsibility of investing, managing, distributing and evaluating assets from more than 110 charitable funds totaling $25 million throughout northeast Alabama. We would like to acknowledge and thank the following individuals for their dedication and service.

Foundation Staff

The Community Foundation staff is pleased to support the efforts of the committees, boards, volunteers, donors and all other active participants who help enrich the communities of northeast Alabama.

Our Mission

To wisely assess needs and channel donor resources to maximize community well-being.