



# 2023 ANNUAL REPORT

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# *From the* **BOARD & CEO**

*Dear Friends,*

From its creation in 1965 as the Portsmouth Community Trust, the Southeast Virginia Community Foundation successfully completed its 58th year in 2023 by fulfilling our mission of Connecting Donors to Causes that Matter. In celebrating the success, we are very proud to present the Annual Report for 2023.

We are pleased to report that the Foundation's value of our net assets showed a modest increase to just under \$17 million. We received contributions for a total of over \$858k while adding four new Funds.

We continued to support the community with over \$968,000 in grants awarded to local non-profits and offering 38 scholarships to high school students valued at \$77K.

The Board of Directors welcomed new board members, Bett Cornetta, Executive Producer with BHC and Associates and Dr. Joe Rampersad, Executive Director at the Grandy Street YMCA of South Hampton Roads.

The 2023 year can be considered a success for the Foundation, and the coming years bring with it both challenges and opportunities. We are grateful for our accomplishments as we look forward to our continued success in serving the community and connecting donors to causes that matter.

We thank you for your dedication to this community and look forward to the journey ahead.

*Sincerely yours,*

*Amy Folkes*

**Amy Folkes**  
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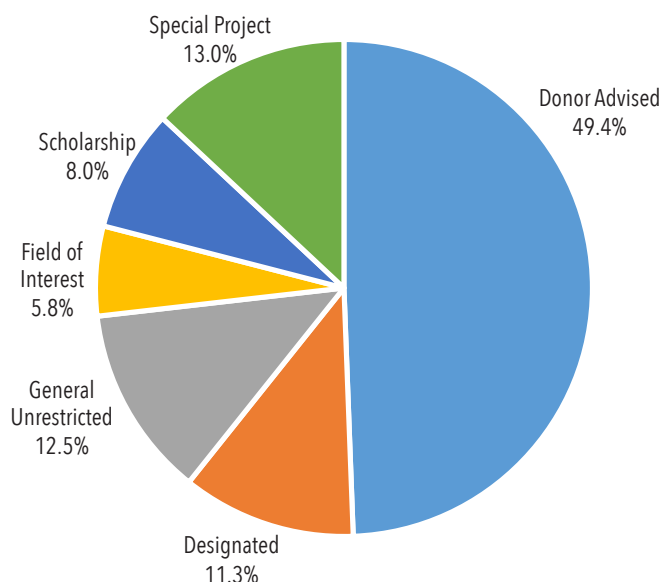
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# 2023 FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

The Southeast Virginia Community Foundation holds itself to high standards of financial management and transparency, and operates efficiently for the interest of our community. Financial overview is for the year ending December 31, 2023.

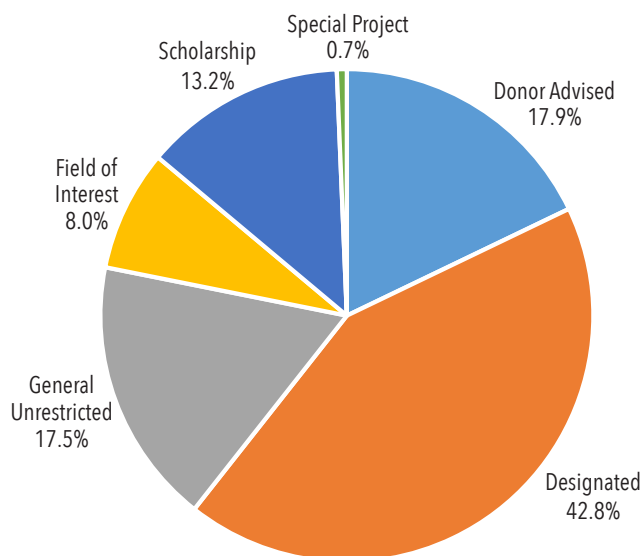
## GRANTS BY FUND TYPE



### Grants By Fund Type

Total Grants:	\$968,202
Donor Advised:	\$478,326
Designated:	\$109,596
General Unrestricted:	\$120,650
Field of Interest:	\$56,500
Scholarship:	\$77,030
Special Project:	\$126,100

## FUND ASSETS BY TYPE



### Fund Assets By Type

Total Assets:	\$16,893,214
Donor Advised:	\$3,018,658
Designated:	\$7,222,392
General Unrestricted:	\$2,960,632
Field of Interest:	\$1,343,915
Scholarship:	\$2,237,225
Special Project:	\$110,392

# 2023 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

**total**  
**NET**  
**ASSETS**

\$16,893,214

**total**  
**GRANTS**  
**AWARDED**

\$968,202

**total**  
**OF ALL**  
**CONTRIBUTIONS**

\$858,535

**total**  
**NUMBER**  
**OF FUNDS**

120

# Starr Oliver is Still Making a Difference in Hampton Roads

The beginning of TowneBank is the stuff of local legend. In the “room over Bob Aston’s garage” back in 1998, the founders said they hoped to raise \$30 million from 400 local investors. Instead, 4000 pledged \$50-million, and 6 months later, Towne was in business. Today it has 51 branches across Virginia and North Carolina plus insurance, mortgage, benefits and more in a Financial Services Division.

“I started as a teller at Citizens Trust Bank in Portsmouth in 1974 when Bob was head of the installment loan department,” Starr recalls. “I could tell then that he had big ambitions.” And she had a front row seat along the way working side by side for Aston in a host of roles including marketing and human resources until her retirement in 2019. “I always thought Bob and I would call it quits at the same time, but he outlasted me!”

Now retired with husband Michael and doting on their first grandchild, Starr can still be found in the shadows of her beloved TowneBank. Her financial acumen, and devotion to the region, led her to establish a Donor Advised Fund at SEVACF. “It has helped me to direct my philanthropy to non-profits that are important to me.” Those have included Churchland Baptist Church, the

Southeastern Virginia Food Bank, and Achievable Dream, just to name a few.

Her principal focus now, though, is “feet on the street” organizations that have limited resources but large challenges, like GiveBack2DaBlock. “My friend Susan Pilato introduced me to Darrell Redmond,” who created GiveBack. “A former state

prison inmate who came home to Portsmouth, Darrell risks his life and gives his heart and soul every day to break the cycle of violence,” says Oliver, who now serves on Darrell’s board. “I marvel at how he tackles conflict de-escalation, fosters peace and builds positive empowerment. He is called upon constantly by the city, social services, etc. when gun violence occurs. For real change though,

Darrell could be even more effective with a seat at the ‘prevention solution’ table.”

“We must do better as a society to acknowledge that hurt people hurt people,” she says. “We must listen to these residents, have tough conversations and be open to practical solutions.” Through her time and disbursements from her SEVACF fund, Starr Oliver is using the skills she developed in her career to bring attention to those often ignored so that real solutions can be implemented. She would like to see others take an interest and join her.



Pictured left to right-- Michael and Starr Oliver, Darrell Redmond and Gaylene Kanoyton

## DONOR ADVISED FUNDS

**Donor Advised Funds** offer a meaningful opportunity to support the community and also grow your own funds. You can donate cash, stocks or non-publicly traded assets like private business interests, cryptocurrency and stock for an immediate tax deduction.



# SEVACF Helps Crush Cancer Through Unique Cycling Event

When Rosemary Wilson lost her husband of over 37 years, Tom, to anaphylactic thyroid cancer in 2013, she mourned, and then did something important in his honor.

“In 2014, I attended an event in Washington where people on stationary bikes rode to raise money for research into the causes and cures for rare cancers like the one that took Tom’s life,” she recalls. “It was put on by Memorial Sloan Kettering Institute’s Cancer Center in New York and was both fun and very successful. I said, ‘why can’t we do one here?’”

Rosemary, vice mayor of the City of Va Beach and on its Council since 2000, approached Armada Hoffer President Tony Nero, who had lost his wife to cancer, about it. “I’m in,” he said. A partnership with Sloan Kettering was formed, and Crush Cancer was born, first held in 2015 at Onelife Fitness on Virginia Beach Boulevard. After a COVID pause, the site shifted to the Cavalier Golf & Yacht Club.

“We have raised \$2.3 million over the past decade thanks to teams of men and women who were peddling with encouragement



from trainers and enjoying being with their fellow employees,” says Wilson. She serves on a volunteer committee that puts this together each year, not a non-profit so Crush Cancer needed one to house the money and pay out expenses. Enter SEVACF.

“The Foundation has been invaluable,” says Mark Rosenfield, who represents McLeskey and owner Cheryl McLeskey on the organizing committee. McLeskey was a founding sponsor because it owns the shopping center in which Onelife Fitness resides. “Cheryl’s husband Wayne also died of cancer, so we are big advocates of Crush Cancer ([www.letsrushcancer.org](http://www.letsrushcancer.org)).”

Mark was on the mic throughout a beautiful afternoon on the water at the Cavalier, encouraging the cyclists and reminding them of the critical cause they were helping.

Crush Cancer 2024 netted almost \$180,000. This fall, planning for 2025 will begin. “50% of all cancers are considered rare, and those are what Sloan Kettering studies,” says Wilson. “We are proud to support their efforts.”



Rosemary Wilson

At SEVACF, so are we.

## SPECIAL PROJECTS FUNDS

**Special Projects Funds** can be established through SEVACF, thanks to our 501c3 status, to allow benefactors to donate and earn a tax-deduction. This is a great way for a school or non-profit to raise money for causes dear to their hearts.

# SEVACF Scholarship Fund Honors the Memory of a Beloved Chesapeake Son, Friend and Actor

*“We miss Mason terribly,” says his father, “which is why we hope the scholarship fund through SEVACF, which has been a wonderful partner, will continue to grow.”*

Back in late July 2019, when 16-year-old Mason Hackworth complained to his parents of what seemed like routine heartburn with nausea, David and Mary Beth gave him Tums.

But the symptoms persisted. Indeed two days later, Mason threw up. “He told me he was really starting to feel bad,” says Mary Beth. She took her son to an urgent care on August 3, which diagnosed him as having GERD, Gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD) that occurs when stomach acid repeatedly flows back into the esophagus. They prescribed a nausea medication.

Three days later, when Mason didn’t come downstairs, Mary Beth figured he was sleeping in after a long night. When she went into his room, Mason was dead. An autopsy revealed the teen had Viral Myocarditis, an inflammation of the heart muscle that impairs the organ’s ability to pump blood. “His body was fighting a very serious virus, but they missed it through their misdiagnosis,” says Mary Beth. “If they had recommended we take him to the emergency room, perhaps his life could have been saved.”

Mason was special, say his parents and lone sibling, his sister Morgan, now studying accounting at ODU. “He loved to play and watch sports but also to sing, particularly numbers by groups like the Beatles and Chicago,” she says. “He was an old soul.” And like his

sister, Mason loved to act. He was in many shows in elementary school, and when he scored a lead in a production, David and Mary Beth cancelled a planned Disney Cruise so he wouldn’t miss it. Mason took some years off, reemerging as a sophomore at Grassfield High School in Chesapeake to earn a part in Fiddler on the Roof. “It wasn’t a big role,” recalls Mom, “but he was really into it.”

That’s also when Mason became friendly with Gavin White, a year older but very focused on an acting career. “Mason was one of those people you just get drawn to and want to know better,” he

remembers. “He had a wonderful personality, and I figured we would be friends for a long time.” Gavin, now 22, works part-time as a costumed character at theme parks in Florida while finishing his degree in acting at Central Florida University.

\$500 of his freshman expenses at CFU were covered by a gift he received back at Grassfield. “I was the first one to receive money from the Mason Hackworth Scholarship Fund,” he says. “I was very proud.”

When the Hackworths started the fund in Mason’s memory, they chose the Southeast Virginia Community Foundation to manage it. “Other arts programs at Grassfield, like choral and orchestra, had scholarship programs, but theater did not. So it filled a void,” says

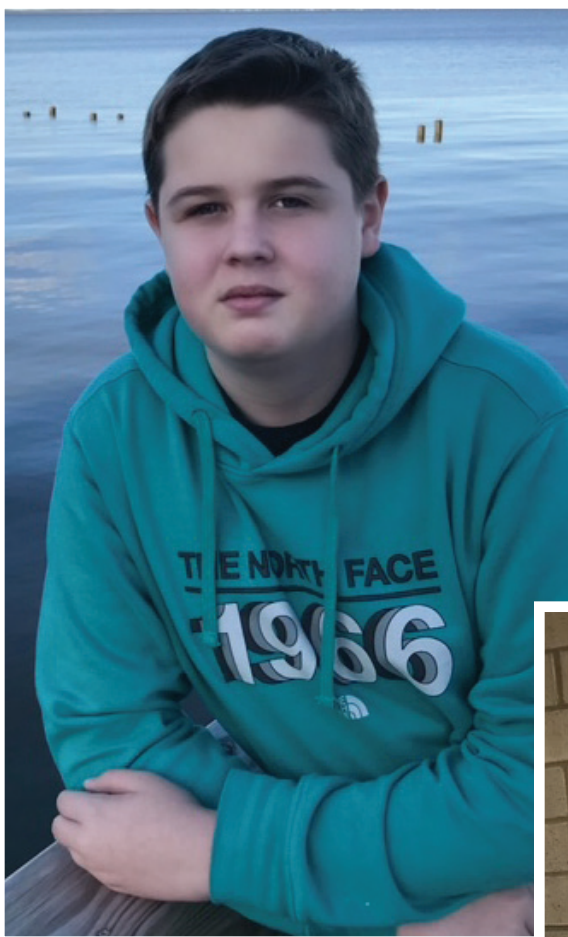


Pictured from left to right -- Mason, Mary Beth, Morgan, and David Hackworth

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David. “And thankfully our extended family and the community responded with very generous investments.”

The family thought the fund might generate one or two \$500 gifts a year, but so much money has come in that today, two students a year are receiving \$1,500 each (or three at a \$1,000 apiece). Morgan is on the committee that reviews the applications and is “amazed at the quality of their essays. We want these students to be able to continue doing what they love.”

To qualify, a Grassfield student must be in good academic standing, be in the International Thespian Society, and plan to attend a two- or four-year college. So far sixteen students have won scholarships. Jon Vredenburg is one. “When I received it, it felt like Mason was still looking out for me. I cannot thank the Hackworth family enough for the recognition it gives to students who exemplify Mason’s virtues.”



“We miss Mason terribly,” says his father, “which is why we hope the scholarship fund through SEVACF, which has been a wonderful partner, will continue to grow.” Says daughter Morgan, “it helps keep Mason’s memory alive for us.”

## SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

Scholarship Funds memorialize or honor an individual who has made a significant impact on your family or community. Their memory can live on through an educational scholarship that can help future generations of students and create a lasting legacy.



All third-grade classrooms in Portsmouth, including this one from Churchland Academy Elementary School, visited the

Virginia Zoo in Norfolk last spring, thanks to a \$12,000 grant from SEVACF. "It was the most exciting trip my students had ever been on," said teacher Stephanie Niavez. "Seeing the animals up close really brought to life what we had taught them in school and helped them better understand the different habitats in which they live. It was an amazing experience." Some 900 children and 100 adults were able to visit the Zoo thanks to the SEVACF grant.



## About the Front Cover Image

### **Hospital Point Park, Portsmouth, VA Portsmouth, VA Portsmouth (Independent City)**

In 1798 the United States Congress passed an act creating the Marine Hospital Service, the forerunner of the Public Health Service, and set up a Naval Hospital Fund to be filled by taking twenty cents a month from the pay of every seaman, officer and marine. When plans developed for establishing a marine hospital, the state of Virginia in 1801 offered to supply an appropriate site and in 1826 the city of Norfolk was selected. In 1827 the Commissioners of the Naval Hospital—the Secretaries of War, Navy and Treasury—picked eighteen acres at Fort Nelson, a fortification built during the Revolution to protect Norfolk and later purchased by the federal government in 1800, as the site of the future hospital. Sixty-one acres were purchased to add to the property and John Haviland, well-known Philadelphia architect, was commissioned to draw plans for the new building.

The Naval Hospital has had distinguished service serving those in need. In 1855 when Portsmouth lost one-fifth of its population in a dreadful Yellow Fever epidemic, over 500 civilians were treated at the hospital. In April, 1862, the Confederate government surrounded the building with earthworks and renamed it Fort Nelson. The next year it was occupied by Northern troops and re-established as a federal army hospital.



# 2023 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

*This year, 40 deserving students are the recipients of \$77,030 in scholarships thanks to the Southeast Virginia Community Foundation and our fund holders.*

Call our office at **757-397-5424** to get information about how to start a scholarship fund. Visit our website at <https://sevacf.org/scholarships/scholarship-offerings/> to apply for a scholarship.

## **AL TAYLOR MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Samantha O'Prandy

## **BARBARA HOWARD OTR MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Whitney Hoops

## **C.H. JORDAN SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Nazir Imhotep  
Noelle King

## **C.S. SHERWOOD SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Makiya Brooks  
Dionna Butts  
Erica Chappell  
Bretia Green  
Dawn Harris  
Jonathan McEwen  
Alexander Moody  
Luis Morales, IV  
Nathaniel Morrison  
Karli Murphy  
Allison Olivar  
Cameryn Pruitt  
Amaid Ramos-  
Atencio  
McKaya Robinson  
Rayne Mary Claire  
Sayoto  
Jreeme Thornton-  
Pretlow  
Cortney Vincent  
Allison Wilson

## **CONNER McGREY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Gavin Mosley

## **GLADYS CLARKE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Gabriel Riccio

## **HORACE SAVAGE SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Brianna Harrison  
Sakiah West

## **IFPTE LOCAL#1 RALPH McELFRESH SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Anaya Monroe

## **JARROD B. SHIVERS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Caden Ward

## **JOSEF D. COLLINS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Dawn Harris

## **KAREN MELLOTT COLSTON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Natalie Bowen  
Lydia Hall

## **MASON HACKWORTH THEATRE SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Ella Breshears  
Sara Ruane

## **MAYLEA BROCKINGTON BEASLEY LOVE & LAUGHTER SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Peyton Allbritten  
Morgan Lynch

## **PORTSMOUTH SERVICE LEAGUE SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Sonya Chapman  
Dawn Harris

## **SUSAN BERRY REITELBACH SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Allyson Harris

## **TYRONE HINES SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Jamie Young

## **W. CLAYTON ROBERTSON SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Yazmin Goodrich

# 2023 Grants Paid BY PROGRAM

*The majority of our annual grant-making is directed by donors to the causes they care about. Additional grants are made possible through our **Community Needs Fund**, which was established by philanthropists who have entrusted the Foundation to identify and address critical issues and community needs. This year we awarded \$197,750 to 39 organizations. Congratulations to the awardees!*

## **ARTS & CULTURE - \$10,400**

- Portsmouth Community Concerts, Inc., Program Support
- Tidewater Arts Outreach, Arts Outreach for Older Adults in Portsmouth and Chesapeake
- Virginia Museum of Contemporary Art, Museum Tours for Students
- Young Audiences of VA/Arts for Learning, I.D.E.A.L. (Intentional Designs of Expression in Artistic Languages) Year 2

## **CAPITAL - \$30,000**

- Holiday House of Portsmouth, Inc., Two Porch Enclosures at the Facility
- Sentara Foundation - Hampton Roads, Nightingale Air Ambulance Program
- St. Mary's Home for Disabled Children, State-of-the-Art Sensory Gym
- Tidewater Youth Services, Westhaven Home: Renovate Kitchen

## **CIVIC & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - \$3,700**

- Chesapeake Humane Society, Crisis Boarding Program

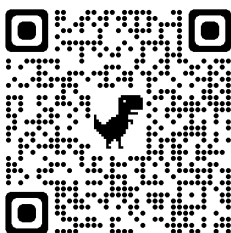
## **EDUCATION - \$41,300**

- All District Reads, Reading Program for 700 Students
- Don Carey REECH Foundation, STEAM in Schools Program
- Joy Ministries, Summer Reading Camps, Learning Ctrs & Mentoring
- PIN Ministry, Purchase Laptops and Backpacks
- Starbase Victory, AEROBASE Program
- Tidewater Friends of Foster Care, Tutoring Support for Foster Youth
- United Jewish Federation of Tidewater, BeAR Literacy Project
- Virginia Zoo, Educational Programs for Portsmouth Students
- Wesley Community Service Center, Tutoring Program

## **HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES - \$112,350**

- American Red Cross, Disaster Services Program: Response & Recovery in Ches. & Ports.
- Benjamin Goldberg Foundation, Peace Out Portal
- Boys & Girls Clubs, Out of School Programming
- Chesapeake Public Schools Educational Foundation, Supplying Our Students for Success
- Children's Assistive Technology Service, Clinical Coordinator Salary
- Connect With A Wish, Strengthening Support - Supporting Success
- Eliza Hope Foundation, Hope Stars Programs & Early Intervention Preschool Program
- Fellowship of Christian Athletes, FCA Camp
- Foodbank of Southeastern VA, Mobile Pantry Program
- Girls on the Run, Program Support - Food as Fuel
- Give Back 2 Da Block, Community Violence Reduction Strategy Training Program
- Habitat for Humanity of South Hampton Roads, Support Construction of Single Family Home
- Horizons Hampton Roads, Inc., Student Swim Program
- Joy Ministries, Bread of Life Food Delivery Program
- Meals on Wheels of Chesapeake, Inc., Meals for Low-Income Homebound Neighbors
- Portsmouth Reads, Child Care Provider Training Series
- Revival Center Virginia Beach, Meet the Need Initiative
- Roc Solid Foundation, ROC Solid Ready Bags
- Ronald McDonald House Charities of Norfolk, Adopt-a-Room
- Therapy on the Move, Timeless Living Fall Prevention Program
- Young Life Chesapeake, YoungLives in Chesapeake

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FOR A GRANT**  
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[sevacf.org/grants](https://sevacf.org/grants)



# 2023 Funds **BY TYPE**

## **DONOR ADVISED FUNDS**

- Apurva & Vandana Patel Family Donor Advised Fund
- Cherry Family Donor Fund
- Child & Family Fund of Patrick & Karen Callahan
- Don, Susan & Kathleen Comer Donor Advised Fund
- Fleming Family Advised Fund
- Folkes Family Donor Advised Fund
- Griffin Family Advised Fund
- Hackworth Family Donor Advised Fund
- Hardee Family Donor Advised Fund
- Herbert K & Carolyn K Bangel Advised Fund
- John Burns Family Advised Fund
- John Porter Wright Family Donor Advised Fund
- Korving Family Donor Advised Fund
- Major M. Hillard Family Advised Fund
- Maurice Gunter Advised Fund
- Neal & Jean Davis Advised Fund
- Oast Family Donor Advised Fund
- Patterson-Bertrand Family Donor Advised Fund
- Paul & Carolyn Gottlieb Advised Fund
- Paul W & Shirley K Robinett Advised Fund
- Richard E. H. Wentz Family Donor Advised Fund
- Sims Donor Advised Fund
- STRIVE - The Tapp Family Foundation Fund
- U. Starr Oliver Donor Advised Fund
- Viola Family Donor Advised Fund
- W. Lewis & Judith W. Witt Donor Advised Fund
- Ward & Bruce Robinett Family Advised Fund
- Willard & Betty Moody Advised Fund
- William Collins Hill Memorial Fund
- Wood Family Advised Fund

## **COMMITTEE ADVISED FUNDS**

- Coach Rabbitt Howard Committee
- Randolph-Macon Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity Corp. Fund

## **AGENCY ENDOWMENT FUNDS**

- AAPI-HR Foundation Fund
- Annette Crandall Scholarship Fund
- Chesapeake Public Schools Educational Foundation Fund
- Chesapeake Sports Club Endowment Fund
- Children's Health Investment Program Endowment Fund
- E. Ann Stokes American Heritage Fund
- Elizabeth B. Watson Endowment Fund
- Elizabeth River Project Endowment Fund
- Friends of Chevre T'helim Fund
- India Heritage Foundation Endowment Fund

- Joy Ministries Endowment Fund
- Portsmouth Sports Foundation Fund
- South Norfolk Ruritan Club Endowment Fund
- USO of Hampton Rds and Central VA Restricted Endowment Fund
- YMCA of Portsmouth Endowment Fund

## **UNRESTRICTED FUNDS**

- Arthur & Martha Cherry Fund
- Bernard Griffin, Sr. Memorial Endowment Fund
- Dick & Dona Wood Fund
- Dr. H. Dale Sponaugle Family Fund
- Eustis Unrestricted Fund
- Jacquie B. McCready Deans Fund
- Southeast VA Community Needs Fund
- Willie G. Wilson Estate Fund

## **FIELD OF INTEREST FUNDS**

- Children with Special Needs Fund
- Chisholm House Fund
- Shuler Family Endowment
- South Norfolk Ruritan Club Robert G. "Buddy" Bagley Statue & War Memorial Fund
- 757 Lunch Money Fund

## **DESIGNATED PURPOSE FUNDS**

- AAPI-HR/TBF/SEVACF Designated Endowment Fund
- Chesapeake Sports Club/TBF/SEVACF Designated Endowment Fund
- Christopher Academy/TBF/SEVACF Designated Endowment Fund
- Collins Project Fund
- CPSEF/SEVACF/TBF Designated Endowment
- EDMARC Hospice for Children Endowment Fund
- Elizabeth River Project/TBF/SEVACF Designated Endowment Fund
- First Citizen Designated Fund
- Fort Nelson Chapter Nat'l Society DAR/TBF/SEVACF Designated Endowment Fund
- Fort Nelson Chapter of the NSDAR Fund
- Foskey-VanDyck Memorial Fund
- Heritage Fund
- John & Barbara Hill Designated Fund
- Joy Ministries/SEVACF/TBF Designated Endowment Fund
- Lee & Helen Gifford Fund
- Medical Transport Assistance Endowment Fund
- Merrimac Kiwanis Legacy Fund
- Neal & Jean Davis Family Fund
- Operating Fund
- Operating Reserves Fund
- PIT Foundation Designated Fund
- Portsmouth Cedar Grove Cemetery Fund
- Portsmouth Public Library/TBF/SEVACF Designated Endowment Fund
- Portsmouth Service League Endowment Fund

- Portsmouth Sports Fdn/SEVACF/TBF Designated Endowment Fund
- Schwetz Library Fund
- South Norfolk Ruritan Club/TBF/SEVACF Designated Endowment Fund
- St. John's/ London House Fund
- Tidewater Youth Golf Association Fund
- Trinity/ London House Fund
- YMCA of Portsmouth/SEVACF/TBF Designated Endowment Fund

## **SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS**

- Al Taylor Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Barbara Howard OTR Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Bradley Coles Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Brantley Memorial Scholarship Fund
- C.H. Jordan Scholarship Fund
- C.S. Sherwood Scholarship Fund
- Conner McGrevy Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Eastern Amateur Golf Tournament Scholarship Fund
- Foskey-VanDyck Scholarship Fund
- Frances V.C. Major Memorial Scholarship Fund
- George F. Bogdan Scholarship Fund
- Gladys Clarke Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Horace Savage Scholarship Fund
- IPTE Local #1 Ralph McElfresh Scholarship Fund
- Jack Matheson Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Jarrod B. Shivers Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Josef D. Collins Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Karen Mellott Colston Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Mason Hackworth Theatre Scholarship Fund
- Maurice Gunter Scholarship Fund
- Maylea Brockington Beasley Love/Laughter Scholarship Fund
- Portsmouth Service League Scholarship Fund
- Rachel M. Leister Scholarship Fund
- Susan Berry Reitelbach Scholarship Fund
- Tyrone Hines Scholarship Fund
- W. Clayton Robertson Memorial Scholarship Fund

## **SPECIAL PROJECT FUNDS**

- All Tidewater Classic Fund
- Chesapeake 50, Inc. T/A Chesapeake Charities Fund
- Crush Cancer (Cycle for Survival) Fund
- Faith United Fund
- North Suffolk Rotary Club Special Project Fund
- Serve the City of Chesapeake Special Project Fund
- Smithfield High School Choral Boosters Fund

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Every gift, regardless of the amount, is an investment to build stronger, healthier communities. We invite you to visit our website at <https://sevacf.org/give/> for detailed information on each of our giving vehicles and how to start a fund.



To learn more about how to get started,  
contact us at **757-397-5424**.



# 2023 DONOR CONTRIBUTIONS

## GIFTS ABOVE \$100K

- India Heritage Foundation

## GIFTS \$25,000 - \$49,999

- Paul W. & Shirley K. Robinett DAF
- TowneBank
- TowneBank Foundation

## GIFTS \$10,000 - \$24,999

- John McCammon
- Georgia T. Flournoy Unitrust #3
- Rotary Club of North Suffolk
- Champions For Charity
- George W. Cooper III
- Sara Taylor
- Steve and Yvonne Pierce

## GIFTS \$5,000 - \$9,999

- Virginia Buchanan Rountree
- Lawrence W. I'Anson, Jr.
- Otha & Bertha Wright
- Mo & Linnea Whitlow
- A. Russell Kirk
- AHP Development, LLC
- City of Virginia Beach Development Authority
- ESG Enterprises Inc.
- Harvey Lindsay & Company
- HTR Logistics LLC
- John C. Ellis, Jr.
- McLeskey & Associates, LLC
- Nancy W. Matheson
- PHR/GKR Holding Co.
- Rose & Womble Foundation
- Sentara Foundation Hampton Roads
- Southampton Roads Construction Corp.
- The Franklin Johnston Group
- Turner Strategic Technologies, LLC
- Warren Kozak

## GIFTS \$1,000 - \$4,999

- Bettie Grissom
- Hampton Roads Community Foundation
- Huddle Tickets
- Stephen Suttmiller
- Jordan-Young Institute
- Alperin Law, PLLC
- Carolyn Bernard
- Coastal Management Solutions, Inc.
- Divaris Real Estate
- Donald Powell
- Doug Ricks
- Eddie & Cindy Russell
- Ellis Gibson Development Group
- J. Michael Reitelbach
- MEB Inc.
- Michael Cuddyer
- Rickard E. Burnell
- Thomas W Dye Homes, LLC

- Venture Realty Group
- VOA Mgmt Co
- Wells Fargo
- Williams Mullen Foundation
- Rabbit Howard Invitational LLC
- John & Laura Dobson
- Charlie & Dorothy Hackworth
- Beach Eye Care
- James Williams, Sr.
- Larry & Chrystal Hill
- Alan E. Gollihue & Ms. Lane Killam
- Priority Toyota
- Bartholomew Foster
- Charles Hackworth II
- Hackworth Reprographics
- The Graphics Shop
- Shannon & Michelle McGrevy
- Capps Boat Works, Inc.
- Cerity Partners
- Dan E. Griffin
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- Debra Albiston
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