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 TO BENEFIT OUR COMMUNITIES

Newsletter

Dear Friends,

I hope you all have been enjoying your summers, vacations, and any time-off you have recently taken. We are more than halfway through another year, have had some exciting new developments, and are eager to share them with you.

First and foremost, I would like to thank you for your continued grant suggestions. Inside, you will see the nonprofits that you have allowed us to support over the past few months. We rely on you to keep us aware of local issues and are happy whenever we can connect you to important causes.

We have completed yet another grant cycle, in which we were able to fund 19 organizations in Southeast Virginia, totaling to over \$77,000 given back to our community. We received many impressive grant applications, all from great organizations. While we unfortunately were unable to fulfill all of them, we are humbled to

know that so many charities continue to turn to us for support. As we do each year, we tried to address all areas of community life, especially in regard to arts & culture, civic & economic development, education, and health & human services. We hope you enjoy reading about the outstanding programs and projects that the Foundation contributed to.

The most exciting thing we have to share with you is the success of this year's Give Local 757. We partnered with other local community foundations to host a giving day for the benefit of all 757-area-code nonprofits and were thrilled to have raised over \$400,000 in just 24 hours! This event was a great opportunity for our grantees, and for nonprofits across the region, to gain exposure, new donors, and more dollars.

Once again, we cohosted the annual scholarship reception with the Beazley Foundation in



This year's scholarship reception was hosted at the Virginia Sports Hall of Fame and featured the above-pictured centerpieces.

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June, during which we honored dozens of deserving recipients. The high school graduates and returning college students who received awards this year were able to meet and mingle with the various scholarship donors and to thank them for their support. We feel confident that these young people will go on to become great future leaders of Southeast Virginia.

As always, we like to share any Board Member success stories with you. We were pleased hear that our very own Stephen Korving's company, Korving & Company, LLC, was selected as the Top Small Business of the Year in Suffolk for 2015 by the Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce! Stephen and his father, Arie Korving, started Korving & Company in 2010 as a way to provide individualized financial advice to their clients and have been doing so ever since. More information on Korving & Company is included on page 7.

Another exciting piece of news is that we are now able to accept credit/debit card and online donations. This will make contributing to your funds much easier and faster, and we hope it will help to grow the Foundation's assets. Enclosed is a donation envelope, which you can use to remit a cash or check donation to SEVACF or to your fund if you wish. You may also use it to set up a one-time gift to be charged to your credit card or you can become a recurring donor by electing to have your card charged for a particular amount each month. Furthermore, if you would like to make a donation online, please visit our website!

Once again, we thank you for your continued trust and support. We cannot stress how important your involvement is to both furthering our mission and to bettering our community. Please feel free to give the Foundation office a call if you have any questions or concerns. We look forward to continuing to work together to make Southeast Virginia a better place to live.

Sincerely,

Timothy S. Culpepper
President of the Board

Donor Advised Grants

These nonprofits have received grants from donor advised funds since the last issue of The Fund Advisor Newsletter:

ACCESS COLLEGE FOUNDATION
BOBBY TRIPODI FOUNDATION
CHESAPEAKE BAY ACADEMY EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION
EASTERN VIRGINIA MEDICAL SCHOOL FOUNDATION
EDMARC HOSPICE FOR CHILDREN
ELIZABETH RIVER PROJECT
EMMANUEL CHRISTIAN SCHOOL, INC.
FRIENDS OF THE PORTSMOUTH JUVENILE COURT
LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL, INC.
NATIONAL MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SOCIETY
PORTSMOUTH ANGLER CLUB
PORTSMOUTH TRIAD
SOUTHEAST VIRGINIA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
THE V FOUNDATION
TRUE FREEDOM, INC.
UNITED WAY WORLDWIDE
UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA LAW SCHOOL FOUNDATION
WESLEY COMMUNITY SERVICE CENTER
WESTMORELAND CHILDREN & YOUTH ASSOCIATION
WILLIAMS SCHOOL

Chisholm House Endowment Grants

The following organizations received grants from the Chisholm House Endowment Fund during their Spring Grant Cycle:

AMERICAN NATIONAL RED CROSS OF SOUTHEASTERN VIRGINIA

Board Member's Company Selected 2015 Suffolk Small Business of the Year

We were thrilled to see that Korving & Company, LLC was selected as the Top Small Business of the Year in Suffolk for 2015 by the Chamber of Commerce! Stephen Korving, co-founder of the company, joined our Board of Directors this past November and is managing money for not only those in our community, but for many people across the country and the world. The *Inside Business* article paints a picture of what he and his father have done and continue to do at Korving & Company.

With more than four decades of experience in financial advising between the two of them, Stephen and his father, Arie Korving, started Korving & Co. in 2010 as a way to provide individualized financial advice to their clients. They decided they wanted to run their business to help people achieve their goals and to do so in an ethical, transparent way. Since then, the company has increased at 15%-20% per year. Their secret? Staying small. With a staff of only three working at their Suffolk office, they are able to better grow relationships and to be actively involved in the Southeast Virginia community.

"We are a family business that works with families," Stephen shares in the article. "We do for our clients what we would do for our family members if they were in our clients' situation."

To Stephen and his father, it's easy to grow in the amount of money they manage, but maintaining the personal relationships they have with people is what's most important to them. Helping others and putting people first is their main goal.

NOW ACCEPTING CREDIT CARD & ONLINE DONATIONS!

We're pleased to share with you that we now have the capability to accept both credit/debit card donations and online donations!

Use the enclosed donation envelope to schedule a credit/debit card payment to the Southeast Virginia Community Foundation. Or if you would prefer to make a donation online, visit our website at www.sevacf.org and click on the "Donate Now" link in the top right corner.

In addition, this new feature also allows you to set up recurring donations. If you'd like to make a monthly donation to the Foundation or to a specific fund, you now have the ability to select that option instead of making a one-time gift.

As always, thank you for your continued support!



Korving & Co. LLC

Korving & Company was featured in *Inside Business* for winning the Suffolk Small Business Award.

Designated/Organizational Grants

These nonprofits have received grants from designated and organizational funds since the last issue of the Fund Advisor Newsletter:

EDMARC HOSPICE FOR CHILDREN
FOODBANK OF SOUTHEASTERN VIRGINIA & EASTERN SHORE
FRIENDS OF CHEVRA THELIM
H.E.R. SHELTER
PORTSMOUTH AREA RESOURCES COALITION
PORTSMOUTH HUMANE SOCIETY
PORTSMOUTH VOLUNTEERS FOR THE HOMELESS
THE FOLDS OF HONOR FOUNDATION
WESLEY COMMUNITY SERVICE CENTER

Today's Scholars & Tomorrow's Leaders

2015 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS & RECEPTION

On June 16, 2015, the Southeast Virginia Community Foundation and the Beazley Foundation cohosted their annual Today's Scholars & Tomorrow's Leaders Scholarship Reception for this year's scholarship winners. The event was held at the Virginia Sports Hall of Fame in downtown Portsmouth, where dozens of high school graduates were recognized for their outstanding academic accomplishments.

The recipients, their parents, the board and staff for both organizations, the scholarship donors, and even Mayor Wright of Portsmouth all gathered together for a meal and to celebrate the occasion. The dinner was served buffet style, allowing the guests to mingle during the first half of the reception — recipients were able to meet and thank their scholarship donors.

“You all are here tonight because you're the cream of the crop,” Richard Wentz stated during his speech as Guest Speaker. “I am confident that you will all have even more success in college and go on to do great things.”

When it was time to recognize the students, the Honorable Judge Richard Bray announced the Beazley Foundation's scholarship winners, calling them to the stage for pictures. Then, Ward Robinett, SEVACF CEO, spoke about each of the Foundation's scholarships and asked their respective recipients to come forward to be acknowledged for their hard work.

“The SEVACF scholarship reception was a very nice event,” shared Ververlee Parrish, founder of the Josef D. Collins Scholarship Fund. “Having it at the Sports Hall of Fame allowed for a smaller, intimate setting where the students, parents, donors, and guests were able to talk and get to know one another. Being able to make a difference in supporting the dreams of our future generation makes it all worthwhile.”



The SEVACF and Beazley Foundation recipients pose for a group picture.



Thomas Wood, Immediate Past Present of the SEVACF Board, awarded the scholarship recipients.

2015 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

ARMED FORCES SCHOLARSHIP	X1
BILL CLARE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP	X3
C.H. JORDAN SCHOLARSHIP	X10
C.S. SHERWOOD SCHOLARSHIP	X6
DWIGHT & DOROTHY HUMPHREY SCHOLARSHIP	X1
EASTERN AMATEUR SCHOLARSHIP	X2
FOSKEY-VANDYCK SCHOLARSHIP	X1
HORACE SAVAGE SCHOLARSHIP	X2
JOSEF D. COLLINS SCHOLARSHIP	X1
MIKE MORELAND HUMANITARIAN ROTARY SCHOLARSHIP	X1
TYRONE HINES SCHOLARSHIP	X1

Spring Grant Cycle

THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATIONS & PROGRAMS WERE FUNDED DURING OUR SPRING GRANT CYCLE:

BON SECOURS MARYVIEW FOUNDATION

The Bon Secours Hampton Roads Care-A-Van is a free mobile health clinic serving the underserved and uninsured in our communities.

CHESAPEAKE BAY FOUNDATION

Chesapeake Classrooms, their environmental education program, will train 20 teachers from Suffolk, Chesapeake, and Portsmouth.

CHESAPEAKE PUBLIC SCHOOLS EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

Funding will be used for Phase I of their project, the purchase of new digital equipment to be used in the planetarium.

ELIZABETH RIVER PROJECT

The Elizabeth River Project is planning the construction of a playground at their Paradise Creek Nature Park in Portsmouth.

FOODBANK OF SOUTHEASTERN VIRGINIA

Through their Backpack Program, they distribute nutritious food to children facing hunger before weekends and school breaks.

FORKIDS

Their Chesapeake Transitional Housing Program provides transitional housing for families with barriers to housing stability.

GIRL SCOUTS COUNCIL OF COLONIAL COAST

The Girl Scout Leadership Experience provides a wide variety of life changing opportunities for girls in grades K-12 in South Norfolk.

GOODWILL OF CENTRAL & COASTAL VIRGINIA

Their Portsmouth Community Employment Center provides job readiness, financial education, and skills training for residents of Portsmouth.

NORFOLK/CHESAPEAKE CASA, INC.

Their Our Community/Our Kids is an outreach and training program which will recruit, train, and place volunteers to advocate for children.

PORTSMOUTH COMMUNITY CONCERTS

Their Star Education/Arts Education Student Outreach programs are a series of fine arts outreach programs for students in Hampton Roads.

PORTSMOUTH SCHOOLS FOUNDATION

The Innovator Grant program provides teachers at Portsmouth Public Schools with up to \$500 to purchase items that support new lessons.

PORTSMOUTH SELF-SUFFICIENCY PROJECT



Ward Robinett, SEVACF CEO, presents a grant cycle check to Jason Robinson, Director of Communications at the Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia & the Eastern Shore.

Funding from SEVACF will support a comprehensive network of prevention, emergency services, and training.

ROC SOLID FOUNDATION

The Solid Support Program offers Roc Solid Ready Bags, which include essentials for a hospital stay, to children who have just been diagnosed.

SUFFOLK CENTER FOR CULTURAL ARTS FOUNDATION

A grant from SEVACF will partially fund two performances of Black Violin for students in Hampton Roads

VIRGINIA STAGE COMPANY

Through their program, CULTIVATE, students are provided with discounted tickets to attend special performances in the historic Wells Theatre.

VIRGINIA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Each year, the Virginia Symphony Orchestra presents the annual Young People's Concerts to Portsmouth and Chesapeake 3rd and 4th graders.

VOLUNTEER HAMPTON ROADS

The Service Enterprise Initiative is program that takes nonprofit organizations through a developed approach to volunteer capacity.

WESTMORELAND CHILDREN & YOUTH ASSOCIATION

Funding will go towards another year of continued sports, recreational activities, and a mentor program for at-risk/underprivileged children.

YMCA OF SOUTH HAMPTON ROADS

They plan to construct a new playground at the Effingham Street Family YMCA, which will improve access to recreation opportunities.

GIVE LOCAL 757!

More Than Doubles

2014's Results!

The final dollars are in, and it's official: this year's Give Local 757 more than doubled the 2014 event's results!

This year, the Southeast Virginia, Peninsula, and Suffolk Community Foundations teamed up to host the Second Annual Give Local 757 on May 5th & 6th. Give Local 757 is officially the largest, single-day, charitable crowdfunding event to date to be hosted in our region. Over the 24-hour giving period, thousands of donors gave to 167 worthy nonprofits.

With more support and a larger part of the Hampton Roads region covered, as well as the acceptance of cash and check donations in addition to online donations, the 2015 event raised over \$417,000 compared to last year's \$190,000! The total number of gifts this time around was 5,525 versus 2014's 1,880!

Southside nonprofits raised over \$162,000, while

those on the Peninsula raised over \$185,000. As extra fundraising incentive, the cohosting foundations held challenges throughout the 24 hours, awarding the winning nonprofits with cash and non-cash prizes. In addition, each region was eligible for matching funds, boosting their nonprofits' fundraising totals. The prizes and matching funds totaled to \$70,000!

The top fundraiser this year was Isle of Wight Academy, coming in first place with 522 gifts totaling to \$12,790 and an additional \$14,000 in prizes. Coming in second place was Alternatives, Inc., which raised \$12,498 from 465 donations and an additional \$6,000 in prizes.

We, along with our cohosting foundations, are thrilled by the impact of the event and the attention it got. The participating 167 nonprofits did an excellent job advertising for Give Local 757 through their social media sites, bringing in recognition from several local news publications and donations from every state in the country!

Give Local 757 is part of Give Local America 2015 (GLA) which was organized by Kimbia and raised \$68 million nationwide for over 9,000 participating nonprofits. The online giving platform gives nonprofits a unique way to not just acquire, but convert and retain new online donors – a group that is increasingly important to nonprofits as donor demographics change.

