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A Message From our President & CEO

Dear Past and Present Board Members and Fundholders,

It is with great excitement and sincere gratitude that I share this special edition of our newsletter, offering an insider's look at the Communities of Coastal Georgia Foundation's momentum as we enter a new era of impact and service.

At our most recent board meeting, the Foundation formally adopted its **2025–2029 Strategic Plan**, a comprehensive roadmap that reflects months of collaborative effort, research, and listening. This five-year vision outlines ambitious goals for deepening community engagement, expanding philanthropic services, and ensuring our operational excellence matches the high expectations of those we serve. A summary of the plan and

the full report are available here: **[2025-2029 Strategic Plan Report](#)**. I encourage you to explore the direction we're heading together.

We are also proud to spotlight two capital campaigns from partners deeply rooted in our region:

- Coastal Outreach Soccer has announced a remarkable **\$100,000 matching opportunity** through its new partnership with Atlanta United FC. This initiative will empower hundreds of underserved youths in Coastal Georgia through sports, mentorship, and teamwork. Every dollar you give to COS will be matched, doubling your impact on a program that brings joy, structure, and opportunity to young lives.
- Holy Nativity Episcopal Church has launched its **\$700,000 Diamond Jubilee Capital Campaign**, aimed at expanding its facilities to better serve the St. Simons Island community. With a focus on accessibility and hospitality, the campaign supports classrooms, meeting spaces, and essential infrastructure that support the church's long-standing outreach programs, from recovery groups to youth engagement.

Back here at the Foundation, I am pleased to report tremendous progress toward the **Community Impact Committee's \$250,000 goal** for the *2025 William "Bernard" McCloud Community Impact Awards*. To date, we have raised over **\$210,000**—a testament to your belief in the power of local, unrestricted funding to help nonprofits meet urgent and evolving needs across Camden, Glynn, and McIntosh counties. We are within reach of making this the most significant community investment in the Foundation's history. Contact me directly if you wish to contribute to this fund at **kkase@coastalgeorgiafoundation.org**.

Finally, I want to acknowledge an important update in our operations: The Foundation has retained **JP Latz & Associates**, a highly regarded accounting and advisory firm, to support the refinement and professionalization of our **finance and accounting functions**. This move is part of our larger strategic commitment to operational excellence and transparency and will enhance the services we provide to our fundholders, grantees, and partners. While staffing transitions are never easy, we are confident that this step will strengthen our internal capabilities and better position the Foundation for future growth.

Thank you for your continued trust, generosity, and belief in our shared mission. Together, we are not only building a stronger Coastal Georgia—we are ensuring that every gift, every initiative, and every voice contributes to a community where all can thrive.

With gratitude,

Keeva Kase
President & CEO
Communities of Coastal Georgia Foundation

2025-2029 Strategic Plan



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Coastal Outreach Soccer \$100,000 Match Opportunity with Atlanta United

Coastal Outreach Soccer (COS), an organization dedicated to providing soccer opportunities to underserved youth in coastal Georgia, has announced a significant partnership with Atlanta United FC. Through this collaboration, COS will benefit from a \$100,000 matching grant aimed at expanding its programs and

increasing access to soccer for local youth. This generous grant underscores Atlanta United's commitment to community engagement and youth development. For every dollar donated to COS, Atlanta United will match it, effectively doubling the impact of contributions from supporters.

The funds raised will support COS's mission to offer soccer programs that promote physical activity, teamwork, and personal growth among young participants. By removing financial barriers, COS ensures that all interested youth have the opportunity to participate, regardless of their economic background. This partnership marks a pivotal moment in COS's efforts to enrich the lives of young individuals through soccer, fostering a sense of community and providing positive outlets for personal development. The matching grant from Atlanta United not only amplifies the reach of COS's programs but also highlights the power of collaboration in making a lasting impact on youth in the coastal Georgia region.

For more information on how to contribute and have your donation matched, visit the Coastal Outreach Soccer [website](#) or contact their office directly.

Holy Nativity \$700,000 Diamond Jubilee Capital Campaign



*Holy Nativity Episcopal
Church*

TO KNOW CHRIST AND TO
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Holy Nativity Episcopal Church on St. Simons Island is excited to announce the launch of its

\$700,000 Diamond Jubilee Capital

Campaign. This essential project will fund the expansion of the church's facilities, allowing it to better serve both its congregation and the broader community. Rooted in its mission "To Know Christ and To Make Christ Known," Holy Nativity has long been a beloved place of worship and community gathering. In addition to regular worship services, the church hosts a variety of community organizations each month, providing a space for counseling services, 12-Step recovery programs, and local hobby groups like yoga and photography. With the addition of 1,700 square feet to Cate Hall, the church will be able to offer more meeting spaces and classrooms to accommodate these growing needs.

The building expansion will also focus on improving accessibility for all individuals, ensuring that the church remains a welcoming place for everyone, including those with disabilities. This project comes after thoughtful planning by the Vestry and Building Committee, who worked with local architect David Amos to create a master plan for the church's long-term growth. The proposed expansion includes two new classrooms and various improvements to make the church more functional and welcoming to all.

Holy Nativity has always been a careful steward of its resources, and this campaign marks the next step in ensuring the church can continue its mission of faith, love, and service for years to come. The campaign is estimated to cost \$700,000, and the church invites the community to join in this important effort. To learn more about how you can contribute to the campaign, please contact the church office or visit their [website](#). Together, we can continue to build a future where Holy Nativity remains a beacon of hope, service, and faith in the Golden Isles.



Celebrating 100 Men Who Give

Communities of Coastal Georgia Foundation is proud to shine a spotlight on **100 Men Who Give**, a local giving circle made up of men from all walks of life who are committed to making a difference right here in Glynn County. 100 Men Who Give is a movement built around the idea that when 100 men each give a little, together they can create powerful change.

Our recent feature in ***The Brunswick News*** shares the heart behind the campaign and the impact that's already unfolding. It's a testament to the strength of community, generosity, and shared purpose.

Want to be part of the mission?

Read the full story and join the movement by making your donation today. Every contribution matters—and when 100 men come together to make a difference, the results are extraordinary.

[Learn More or Donate Here](#)

Welcoming Wesley Jones to the Communities of Coastal Georgia Foundation Board

Please join us in welcoming Mr. Wesley Jones to the Board of Directors of the Communities of Coastal Georgia Foundation. A graduate of the University of Florida, Wes brings with him a wealth of leadership experience from a distinguished 40-year career in the forest products industry, including his role as an executive with Georgia-Pacific. Since moving to Glynn County in 1990 to manage the Brunswick pulp mill, he has demonstrated steadfast commitment to our community, serving on the Hospital Authority and remaining an active member of St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church.

“We are honored to have Wes Jones join our board,” said Hillary Stringfellow, Chair of the Foundation’s Board of Directors and a partner at Brunswick’s oldest law firm, Gilbert, Harrell, Sumerford & Martin, P.C. “His professional expertise, community values, and personal generosity will further strengthen a board that has long benefited from exceptional leadership. As I complete my final year as Chair, I’m proud to see the Foundation continue to thrive with such dedicated individuals on this distinguished Board of Directors.” Notably, Gilbert Harrell has provided pro bono counsel to the Foundation since its inception.

To view our full Board of Directors, please visit:

<https://coastalgeorgiafoundation.org/about-us/our-board>.



About the Communities of Coastal Georgia Foundation



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The Communities of Coastal Georgia Foundation (CCGF) was incorporated in 2005, as a tax-exempt public charity created by and for the people of Glynn, McIntosh, and Camden counties.

The Foundation manages approximately \$55 million in assets and hosts nearly 140 distinct funds. Since its inception, the Communities of Coastal Georgia Foundation has awarded over \$40 million in grants to community organizations in and beyond the 3-county region.

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