

COMMUNITIES OF COASTAL GEORGIA FOUNDATION, INC.

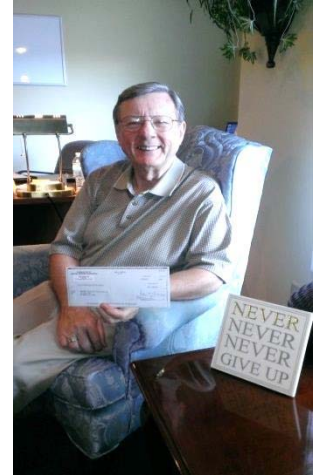
RESULTS - 2013 COMMUNITY IMPACT GRANTS

Camden Community Crisis Center

\$4,000

Board Development and Training/Strategic Planning

Outcome/Impact: Board Boot Camp, SWOT Analysis, Strategic Planning Session, Domestic Violence 101 and Trauma Informed Care were some of the activities funded by this grant. Board members have achieved clarity on the scope of their financial knowledge responsibility and fundraising obligations. The organization has a well thought out strategic plan. Board and staff have a better insight into Domestic Violence. Implementation of a “Trauma Informed Care” approach has been achieved as a result of training.



Camden County CASA

\$5,000

Educational tools for Advocates

Outcome/Impact: Forty-seven Advocates benefited from the various training offerings such as Darkness to Light, the Georgia conference, Trauma, Advocate In-Service and Suicide Prevention this grant made possible.



CASA Glynn, In.

\$7,000

Replace server and office computers



Outcome/Impact: Prior to upgrading the server and computers, confidential and urgent data had been lost. Systems were slow and undependable. The upgrade increased productivity. One volunteer said it best in this quote: “I have very limited computer skills and it was always a struggle to write court, panel and monthly reports. It literally took me hours. Now, with a dedicated computer available I am able to complete required reports without waiting and glitches. What used to take me hours can now be done in 30 minutes. It frees me up to spend more time with my CASA child.”

The Glynn Community Crisis Center, Inc.

\$3,000

Consultant to navigate state and federal changes

Outcome/Impact: Ongoing changes in the field of domestic violence at federal and state levels has left shelter programs in a constant state of upheaval. Through the assistance of a consultant, in collaboration with nine other shelter programs, the Glynn Community Crisis Center was able to successfully implement programmatic adjustments and in fact exceeded all certification standards. As a result of the proactive steps taken, the Center was awarded state and federal funding. The Community Foundation’s investment in this local nonprofit helped provide badly needed resources to hire a specialist who could address the programmatic shifts.



Golden Isles Arts & Humanities Association (GIAHA)

\$5,000

2014 Big Read

Outcome/Impact:

The 2014 Big Read was a huge success. True Grit was the book for adult readers, however an unexpected surprise came out of the selection of the book for Middle School students. The book “Divergent” was such a big hit that it resulted in the formation of book clubs and even a waiting list to be part of the clubs’ enthusiastic discussions. Students bombarded Heather with ecstatic “thank yous” and “this is the best book ever!”



Grace House of Brunswick, Inc.

\$4,000

Website upgrade and redesign, in house counseling and training conference

Outcome/Impact: The website was beautifully updated and now contains all the social media links, a paypal donation button, a stories page and a section recognizing supporters, such as the Communities of Coastal Georgia Foundation. The weekly group in-house meetings with a certified addiction counselor have greatly benefited residents. They receive guidance on addressing personal challenges as well building group unity. Residents learn skills to better communicate and work through their differences. The three day conference on Jekyll Island geared specifically to recovery with fantastic speakers was a big hit for all residents. The positive outcomes realized from the in-house counseling and the outside conference are such that they are being incorporated into the overall program at Grace House.



The Remedy Project

\$3,836

Infrastructure expansion – video production, computer purchase and database software



Outcome/Impact: The Coastal Georgia Foundation was a critical partner for the Remedy Project in 2013. The production of the video allowed us to move our story into the public eye. There are no words to explain how critical this was. The video was used during the St. Marys Foundation site visit, and during the Sea Island Foundation meeting. Both foundations became funders. The computer purchase and database management funding helped us build capacity as a young organization seeking to better serve and impact our local community.

Southeast Youth Development Academies

\$4,250

Books, Career exploration/life skills programs, referees certification

Outcome/Impact: 380 books read in FY2014, upper school students were able to visit three colleges, all 58 players were promoted to the next grade level, of the 5 seniors in the program 100% graduated. Four of the five will attend college in the fall, two received scholarships. One player is working full time to help with family expenses instead of attending college. Only 2 out of the 58 players had a disciplinary referral at school. The



program collaborates with the Brunswick Housing Authority: McIntyre Court and Glynn Villa housing sites. The programs are implemented where players live to help facilitate resources and positive changes in players' lives. The City of Brunswick/Glynn County Recreation Department provides meeting space and Altamaha Technical College Academic Support Center provides space for the tutoring program.

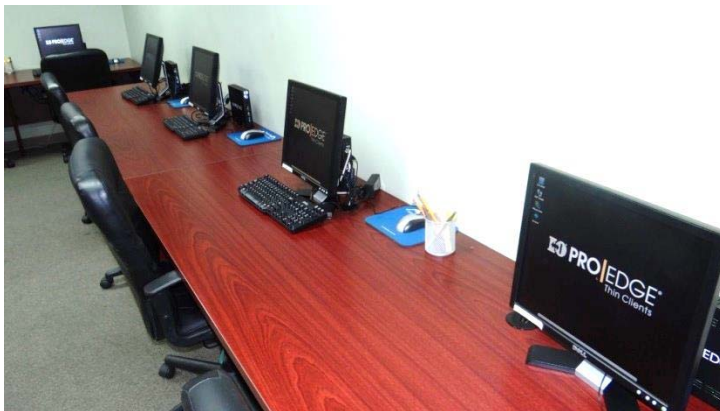


STAR Foundation

\$10,000

30 classroom computers (partial funding)

Outcome/Impact: The challenge match was achieved and 30 state-of-the-art computers were purchased. Upgraded software and the speed of the new computers made teaching a breeze (well almost). The current software allowed students to take what they'd learned to the workplace. These resources continue to benefit graduates who use the site to work on resumes and other skills for employment opportunities.



**YMCA of Coastal Georgia – McIntosh
Pryme Tyme Mobile Computer Lab (Laptops for after school program)**

\$3,875

Outcome/Impact: The after school program was able to offer access to computers for homework a great benefit, particularly for some students who did not have computers at home. It provided a medium for improved computer literacy and opportunities to learn some great out-of-the-classroom concepts such as the Gulf Stream “Learn to Fly Curriculum where students were introduced to things like thrust, stability, aspect ratio, wing loading, power loading and airplane design. Students learned about what it might be like to fly an airplane. For the younger children there were also other programs to encourage learning. “The McIntosh County school system is excited about our partnership with the YMCA. Their forward thinking and use of technology will have a big impact on student achievement” Mr. Merwan Massa Director of Curriculum, Technology and Federal Programs was quoted as saying.

