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## **Humane Society of Elmore County Receives Eleventh 'Surprise Grant' from the Central Alabama Community Foundation**

MONTGOMERY – This year the Central Alabama Community Foundation (CACF) is celebrating 30 years since its founding in 1987. To commemorate this milestone anniversary, CACF will award 30 surprise grants to local nonprofits. These grants will be awarded over the course of 2017.

The eleventh surprise grant was awarded Wednesday, June 14 to the Humane Society of Elmore County (HSEC). CACF surprised HSEC Executive Director Rea Cord with balloons and a \$3,000 check.

The Humane Society of Elmore County is located in Wetumpka and has been in operation since 1993. Approximately 5,000 domestic animals come into the shelter each year through surrender or Animal Control. The shelter houses 250 animals at a time, preparing them for adoption by providing food, immunizations, medical treatment, and behavioral evaluation. The shelter receives 25% of its funding from the government and the remainder comes from charitable donations and fundraising activities.

“CACF would like to congratulate the Humane Society of Elmore County staff and volunteers for being chosen as our eleventh surprise grant recipient. We thank them for providing crucial services to animals in our community,” said CACF President Burton Ward.

Donate to our surprise grants and help CACF celebrate our 30th anniversary, by making a donation at [www.cacfinfo.org](http://www.cacfinfo.org) or by check to CACF, 35 S. Court Street, Montgomery, AL 36104. For more information, contact CACF Development Officer Whitney Griswold Califf at (334) 264-6223 or [whitney.griswold@cacfinfo.org](mailto:whitney.griswold@cacfinfo.org)

*CACF was founded in 1987 and has grown to hold over \$59 million in charitable assets while distributing over \$50 million to organizations that serve the community. CACF serves several counties including Autauga, Coffee, Dale, Elmore, Geneva, Henry, Houston, Lowndes, Macon, and Montgomery.*

*Through its 200+ funds, CACF addresses a wide variety of concerns, supporting projects and programs in education, health, human services, cultural arts, recreation, historic preservation and other civic concerns. Each year, the Foundation distributes over \$3 million through hundreds of grants and scholarships.*

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