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Community Foundation Awards \$45,000 in Education Trust Grants

Montgomery – On Wednesday, August 17 at 10:00 a.m., the [Central Alabama Community Foundation](http://www.cacfinfo.org) (CACF) distributed thousands in grant dollars to nonprofits working to improve education and providing services in Autauga, Elmore, Montgomery, Macon and Lowndes counties. The presentation took place at T.S. Morris Elementary School (801 Hill Street, Montgomery, AL 36108).

2016 Grant Recipients-Cycle 1 (Education)

Central Alabama Community Foundation (CACF)

EDUCATION (\$40,000)

\$5,000 -- **Capital Area Adult Literacy Council** to provide training books for 125 volunteer tutor and student adult learners located throughout the community and within correctional facilities.

\$12,000 -- **Girl Scouts of Southern Alabama** to provide a school-based Girl Scouting program for 260 4th and 5th grade girls at Central Elementary, Fort Deposit Elementary and Jackson-Steele Elementary in Lowndes County; and at DC Wolfe School and Tuskegee Public Elementary in Macon County.

\$18,000 -- **Hope Inspired Ministries** to fund a year round rigorous 11-week job training program where low skilled, poorly educated and/or chronically unemployed men and women receive 400 hours of training; focusing on life skills, problem solving, critical thinking, anger management, employment readiness skills, character building, financial management, and GED training.

\$5,000 -- **Landmarks Foundation of Montgomery** to provide 400 students from Montgomery County schools the opportunity to tour Old Alabama Town. The tours are designed to match the 4th grade history curricula which concentrates on Alabama history.

Autauga Area Community Foundation (AACF)

\$1,800 -- **The Noah Foundation/New Hope Academy** to purchase 3 interactive projectors/smartboards for elementary, middle, and high school students that suffer with various learning disabilities (autism, dyslexia, etc.) at New Hope Academy.

Elmore County Community Foundation (ECCF)

\$2,500 -- **Elmore County BOE HIPPY** to provide a literacy and learning skills program to at risk, low income, preschool children and their parents throughout Elmore County.

FIELD OF INTEREST

Margaret & Auston Bridges Fund for Arts in Education

\$700 -- **Holtville High School Band** to provide funding to help purchase a sousaphone for the Holtville High School Band Program.

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