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Community Foundation Awards More Than \$69,000 in Grants

Montgomery – On Tuesday, May 2 at 10:00 a.m., the [Central Alabama Community Foundation](http://www.cacfinfo.org) (CACF) distributed \$69,726 to nonprofits working in the areas of food, medical and family support in who provide services in Autauga, Elmore, Montgomery, Macon and Lowndes counties. The presentation took place at the Mary Ellen’s Hearth at Nellie Burge Community Center (1226 Clay Street, Montgomery, AL 36104).

2017 Grant Recipients-Cycle 1 (Family, Food, & Medical)

CACF COMMUNITY TRUST GRANTS

Family

\$15,000.00 to the Family Sunshine Center - to provide one-year of individual counseling and emotional support to child victims of physical and/or emotional abuse through the Family Sunshine Center Counseling Center.

Food

\$5,500.00 to the City of St. Jude - to purchase (3) 23 cu. ft. commercial refrigerators and (2) 23 cu. ft. commercial freezers for The City of St. Jude food pantry and soup kitchen.

\$4,500.00 to the Montgomery Area Council on Aging (MACOA) - for the MACOA’s Frozen Food Program. This program will provide 150 frozen meals a month for a full calendar year.

\$5,000.00 to the Society of St. Andrew - for The Montgomery Gleaning Network. This network uses volunteers to recover and distribute fresh produce to local agencies in Montgomery, Lowndes, and Macon counties.

Medical

\$5,000.00 to Child Protect - to provide forensic interviews and follow-up counseling to victims of alleged child abuse.

\$5,000.00 to Medical Outreach Ministries - to purchase medical supplies, such as diabetes test strips, lancets, pen needles, and syringes for their Diabetes Self-Management Education Program.

\$5,000.00 to Sight Savers America - to provide vision screenings, administered by FocusFirst, to Head Start classes and daycares in Montgomery County.

AACF (Autauga Area Community Foundation) COMMUNITY TRUST GRANTS

\$1,300.00 to the Montgomery Area Food Bank - for their Mobile Pantry Program which will provide 15 deliveries of food distribution and nutrition education materials to 2,250 low-income and at-risk families in Autauga County.

\$876.00 to Child Protect - to support victims of alleged child abuse who will be served by the Child Protect Autauga County Satellite office. This office will help investigators discern the truth in child abuse allegations and provide follow-up counseling.

ECCF (Elmore County Community Foundation) COMMUNITY TRUST GRANTS

\$1,000.00 to the Elmore County Pregnancy Center - to provide ultrasound tracking, client training materials and supplies for the Cradle Closet.

\$1,000.00 to Community Hospital - for their Meals on Wheels program. This grant will assist in providing 33 daily hot meals to eligible participants.

\$1,000.00 to Child Protect - to support victims of alleged child abuse who will be served by the Child Protect Elmore County Satellite office. This grant will provide a forensic interview and follow-up counseling.

FIELD OF INTEREST GRANTS

Group Homes for Children (\$4,550.00)

\$4,550.00 to Brantwood Children's Home (Birthday Angel Fund) - to provide 12 monthly birthday parties for 55 boys and girls, ages 10-20 years old, that have been removed from their homes and are in foster care, temporary homes or awaiting transition to a new home.

Merle S. and Mack C. Hunt Diabetes (\$15,000.00)

\$15,000.00 to Service Dogs Alabama - to provide Diabetic Alert Dog training to 50 dogs and match them to children, adults, and Veterans with diabetes.

CACF was founded in 1987 and has grown to hold over \$58 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.