



ABOUT OUR COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

WHO WE ARE

Southeast Alabama Community Foundation (SACF) is an affiliate of the Central Alabama Community Foundation and offers citizens in the Wiregrass region the opportunity to build long-term support for their community. Individuals may establish new funds to support specific purposes or organizations, or they may contribute to existing funds.

Established in 1995 by community leaders, SACF serves the five-county Wiregrass region of Henry, Houston, Coffee, Dale and Geneva counties. SACF became an affiliate of the Central Alabama Community Foundation in 2010.

Through its 26 funds, SACF 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 \$30,000 in community trust grants and more than \$15,000 in scholarships.

SACF's Advisory Board of area citizens oversees an annual grantmaking program that determines the best investment of these community dollars.

Community foundations are public charitable organizations, built through generous gifts of all sizes from a wide range of donors that are pooled and permanently invested. There are more than 650 community foundations nationwide.

The interest earned from these endowments generates a sustainable source of support for local charitable projects for years to come.

Foundation staff work with donors to help achieve their personal, financial, and philanthropic goals and to establish endowments for a variety of purposes.

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:



Donors make a contribution to SACF



The donations are pooled and invested.



Income generated is distributed to support charitable organizations.

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FUNDS OPTIONS:

Southeast Alabama Community Foundation offers different types of funds to help you meet your specific charitable objective. Establishing a fund with SACF is a simple procedure.

We offer a variety of options for making donations such as cash, appreciated stock, real estate, mutual funds and other assets. By combining your resources with others who share your interests, you can maximize the impact of modest contributions with minimal costs.

Community Trust Grant Endowment (CTGE) Fund - Your gift allows us to respond to the community's most pressing needs, today and tomorrow.

Field of Interest (FOI) Funds - Your gift allows you to identify and support a broad charitable purpose or category of interest, such as the arts, education or human services, or a particular geographic area.

Donor Advised Funds - Your gift allows you to remain actively involved in suggesting uses for your gift. These flexible funds for individuals, families, and businesses are ideal for satisfying a range of community interests.

Restricted Funds - Your gift allows you to choose one or more specific charitable organizations to support and SACF will "restrict" grants only to those nonprofit agencies.

Scholarship Funds - Your gift allows you to create a scholarship to benefit students graduating from a particular school or attending a specified college or university. You can choose to designate a particular field of study or define other qualifying criteria.

QUESTIONS? WE'RE HERE TO HELP!

Learn more at sacinfo.org or in person at 111 Adris Place, Suite 8, Dothan, AL 36303. Please contact our **President, Burton Crenshaw** by calling (334) 264-6223 or emailing burton.ward@cacinfo.org

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANT RECIPIENTS

Boys & Girls Club of the Wiregrass -- \$1,500 for their Healthy Lifestyles project which offers dancing as exercise, requires no skill level, is fun and builds confidence.

Enterprise Public Library -- \$2,500 to purchase and install one bilingual AWE Early Learning Literacy Station. The goal of this project is to provide a safe and fun learning environment for young children who may or may not have access to a computer at home.

Patti Rutland Jazz -- \$1,500 to provide weekly dance classes to more than 6000 children in every Dothan City elementary and middle school and Vaughn Blumberg Center.

Vivian B. Adams School -- \$2,500 for an innovative and specially designed expressive arts initiative for the 115 individuals with intellectual disabilities served by the school.

Wicksburg Volunteer Fire Rescue Department. -- \$2,184 to purchase a variety of firefighting equipment.

Wiregrass Angel House -- \$1,600 to help fund crime scene clean ups in the area.