



The Spirit NEWSLETTER

President's Message

2016 Fall Greetings from the Columbia County Foundation for Children

The Columbia County Foundation for Children was started over twenty years ago by Mrs. Barbara C. Beazley with one mission in mind...to provide assistance and services to help enhance the lives of children in Columbia County. Today the Columbia County Foundation for Children has become a familiar and successful non-profit organization with supporter, like you throughout our community.

The Foundation is a non profit 501c3 charity; we are a member of the Columbia County Chamber of Commerce and a Business Partner at Large with the Columbia County Board of Education. The Foundation operates Helping Hands Thrift Store in Appling, Ga and coordinates a large Christmas assistance program for needy children in the county. Both of these programs have grown with the support of many generous donors and volunteers.

We have been very busy this past year, as you will see in reading our newsletter. Each year the CCFFC continues to advance it's mission of helping children to be the best they can be, we have seen many success stories and many children's lives change for the better. We are very appreciative to all of those in the community who continue to support the CCFFC and who recognize the importance of assisting children to be the best they can be.

Thank you,
Ann Edwards, President

Fall 2016

Ann Edwards, Editor
Michel Young, Co-editor

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College Scholarship Program

The scholarship fund is named in honor of Mrs. Barbara Beazley who founded the organization and is a tribute to her lifelong commitment to helping children in Columbia County. Scholarships are renewable.

CCFFC awards need based educational scholarships to qualified applicants up to age 22, for academic or technical training beyond high school. Scholarships are need based and awarded based on an applicant's financial need, supported documentation of family hardship, career goals, written recommendation, and a personal interview. Applications for the 2017-2018 academic year will be available in early 2017.

We had some wonderful candidates this year, all who are working very hard towards their educational goals. Our candidates represented all five of our local high schools. There were 19 scholarships awarded, totaling \$35,000. Scholarship recipients will be attending: Augusta University, Georgia Southern University, Georgia Southwestern University, Mercer University, University of Georgia and Armstrong State University. We are very proud of our recipients this year.

Applications for the 2017-2018 academic year will be available early in 2017. Please visit our web site for more information.



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Website: www.CCFChildren.org
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Benevolence Services

Benevolence Request made to the Board
August 2015-June 2016

Benevolence Requests

Health Occupations
Uniforms
Medical Expenses
Camps
Clothing/shoes
Cap/gown for graduation
Online credit recovery courses
Summer Camps
Saturday Sack Program
Summer School
College Scholarships
Christmas Program

Total awarded: \$44,780.97

A special thank you to our all-volunteer Board of Directors, the staff and volunteers at the Helping Hands Thrift Store, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bailie, Scrubs of Evans, Southfire Web Sites and Solutions, and the Cleveland Group and Associates.

A special thank you to Mr. Bill Beazley and Bill Beazley Homes for their continued support of the CCFFC.



We are Accepting Donations at the Helping Hands Thrift Store

CCFFC operates the Helping Hands Thrift Store. Family clothing is provided free of charge to Columbia County residents in need who are referred by the Department of Family and Children Services, schools, or churches. Other items may be available on request.

The store is open to the public for low cost clothing and household goods purchases. Donations of new and slightly used family clothing, furniture and household items are welcomed. Tax-deductible receipts are available. Proceeds from the store support the CCFFC Scholarship and Benevolence programs. Through our referral program, the thrift store assisted 104 referrals with a total of 294 members

Helping Hands Thrift Store, 6347 Columbia Rd, Appling, Ga
Tuesday and Thursday 9:30-2:30
First Saturday of each month 10am - 2pm
Phone: 706-541-2849 Email: CCFFCStore@gmail.com



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Christmas Program

Barbara C. Beazley recognized the need in the county to assist disadvantaged children and started the Christmas Program many years ago. During the Christmas holidays, children of families referred by the Columbia County school system and social service agencies are sponsored for holiday gifts. Local schools, businesses, churches and families donate Christmas gifts to include clothing, toys, shoes, school supplies and various other items to bring joy and comfort to these families during the holidays.

Thru the generosity of community sponsors, the CCFFC co-coordinated assistance for 542 children for the 2016 holiday season. The Foundation sponsored twelve children.

If you would like information on the Christmas program, or how to become a sponsor, please visit our web site.

Sponsorships are needed by November 1, 2017.



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