

2018 Fall Greetings from the Columbia County Foundation for Children

March 2019 will be twenty-five years since the late Mrs. Barbara Beazley founded the Columbia County Foundation. The compassion she showed to the disadvantaged children in Columbia County is an inspiration for us all. Her mission was to ensure these children had every opportunity to be the best they could be.

The foundation is a private 501(c) (3) nonprofit. Relying solely on individual, school and community support, the Foundation provides a wide range of benevolence services to children in Columbia County from referral based individual assistance, need based college and technical college scholarships, summer school assistance, medications, clothing, and a large Christmas gift program.

A Christmas program was implemented all those years ago, and still continues today. The Resource Center (Helping Hands Thrift Store) began as a one room building in Blanchard Park.

Our store, Helping Hands Thrift Store, provides DFAC referral based free family clothing to families in need; it is also open to the public. This year, we began a Pantry project that has been well received, providing personal and hygiene items to students in need. Our programs continue to grow each year.

Because of your generosity children in the Columbia County school system benefit from abundant opportunities to learn, grow and excel. Your support makes a difference in the life of a child. It is with continued community support we are able to continue the Foundation's mission of "assisting a child to be the best they can be".

Thank you,
Ann Edwards, President

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Thank you to our all-volunteer board of directors, the staff and volunteers at the Helping Hands Thrift store, Scrubs of Evans, South Fire Web Site Services and Solutions, the Cleveland Group and to those in the community who support the Foundation. It is with continued support that we are able to assist children in Columbia County to be the best they can be.

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



College Scholarship Program

The scholarship fund is named in honor of Mrs. Barbara Beazley. It is a tribute to her lifelong commitment to helping children in Columbia County. Recipient may reapply annually for renewal of the scholarship. This year the Foundation awarded scholarships totaling \$27,500! Of the scholarships awarded, twelve were first time awards and twelve were renewals. We wish them all the best as they pursue their career goals.

Applications for the 2019-2020 academic year will be available in early 2019. Please visit our web site for more information.



BAPS Augusta Charities chose Columbia County Foundation for Children as partial recipients of funds raised from the 2018 Walk Green Walkathon.

We are proud to be their local charity partner.

Benevolence Services

Benevolence Request made to the Board
August 2017 - June 2018

Benevolence Requests - \$ 4,499.58

- Health Occupation Fees/Materials
- Uniforms
- Saturday Sacks
- Graduation Items
- Online Recovery Courses
- Clothing/Shoes
- Medications
- Miscellaneous Expenses

Christmas Program	\$ 5,431.04
Pantry Project	\$ 397.96
Scholarships	\$ 27,500.00
Summer Camps	\$ 125.00
Summer School	\$ 2,400.00
Grand Total	\$ 40,353.58

Christmas Program 2017

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 Christmas Program assisted 207 families with a total of 544 children. The Foundation sponsored 42 children.

If you would like information on the Christmas Program, or how to become a sponsor, please visit our website. Sponsorship is needed by November 1, 2018.



Helping Hands Thrift Store We are Accepting Donations

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.



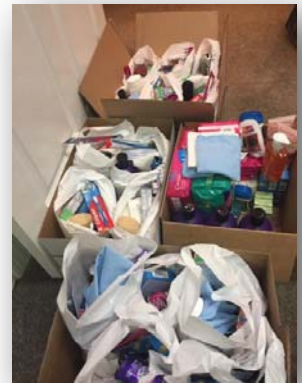
The store is open to the public for low cost clothing and household goods purchases. Donations of new and slightly used family clothing, furniture and household items are welcomed. Tax-deductible receipts are available. Proceeds from the store support the CCFFC Scholarship and Benevolence programs. Through our referral program for 2017, we assisted 84 referrals with a total of 276 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

Pantry Project

This is the second year for the pantry project and it is growing. Schools are provided with hygiene items to keep in a "pantry" so they have them when their students need them. The program has been well received and well utilized, especially in the middle schools.

We attempt to get items that are small enough in size that students may slip them in their backpacks. Some of the most requested items have been: acne wash, baby wipes, hair brushes & combs, deodorant, feminine wipes, laundry soap, sanitary napkins, toothbrushes, etc. We have been fortunate that many members of the community have donated funds as well as needed items for the pantry project.



Thank you to all of those who have donated to the project and to those who have dropped off items for the gift baskets we assemble and deliver to the schools. Donations may be dropped off at 7009 Town Center Blvd Evans Ga. 30809 For a full list of items we provide, to request items for your schools, or to find out more information, please contact ccfchildrenscholarships@gmail.com

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