ANNUAL REPORT

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COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
of South Alabama
Donors give to The Community Foundation of South Alabama with a vision of a better tomorrow. We grow these gifts to provide grants that make their vision a reality.

By giving today, we’re growing tomorrow.
The year 2014 marked the 100th anniversary of community foundations. Over 750 foundations across the country celebrated the founding of this magnificent model of philanthropy. Mayor Sandy Stimpson proclaimed November 12 – 18 “Community Foundation Week” to celebrate the spirit of philanthropy and to recognize the many individuals, businesses, and organizations which have been the inspiration for the growth and progress of this community.

The Community Foundation of South Alabama has grown to over $70 million in assets. During the fiscal year, we distributed over $2.7 million in grants.

Perhaps most importantly, we began to chart the course for our future endeavors. Buoyed by the new excitement for our community and this foundation, we embarked on a new direction and with a new vision. For so long, people have said that our part of Alabama is the region of perpetual potential but now we are realizing that potential as we experience new and exciting growth. We at the Community Foundation are determined to join with others in our community, inspired to help create a thriving region. We identified three initiatives to address pertinent issues which will not only move our economy but improve the quality of life for all of our people: Veterans, Workforce Training, and Young Philanthropy. Through collaborative efforts with other organizations and individuals, we have begun preparations to launch these initiatives.

It was 150 years ago that Admiral David Farragut led his fleet to victory in the Battle of Mobile Bay. Ignoring the dangers of the mines which lined the channel, Farragut ordered his men, “Damn the torpedoes, full speed ahead!” It was a defining moment which changed the course of history. We are at another defining moment and are prepared once again to change the course of history in our region.

Norman Pitman
Board Chair

Rebecca Byrne
President and CEO

Henry Ford writes, “Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success.”
Nearly 300 guests attended The Community Foundation of South Alabama’s 2014 Annual Meeting, “The Power of Will,” to celebrate the accomplishments of the Foundation and community throughout the past year. John Croyle, founder and executive director of Big Oak Ranch and former defensive end for the University of Alabama’s 1973 National Championship football team, was the featured guest speaker at the event and talked about “The Power of Will.” Founded in 1974, Big Oak Ranch is a Christian home for abused, neglected and abandoned children with two camps located in Gadsden and Springville, Alabama.

The meeting also included the first-ever presentation of the Ann and Fred Delchamps Distinguished Philanthropy Award, named in honor of A.F. “Fred” Delchamps and his wife, Ann Weaver, both of whom served as chair of our Board of Directors, supported the arts in Mobile and statewide, and served as chair of the Alabama State Council of the Arts. The Delchamps’ legacy continues to support causes such as youth development, cultural programming, scholarships and aid for the underprivileged through the A.F. and Ann Delchamps Charitable Fund at the Foundation.

Dr. Eichold, Immediate Past Board Chair, presented the award and explained that the individual selected wished to remain anonymous. Eichold said, “The recipient has demonstrated exceptional philanthropic generosity in the Mobile community throughout their life. The award was inscribed with a quote from the recipient that represented their ideals and philosophy – ‘Take heed that you do not do your charitable deeds before men, to be seen by them. Otherwise you have no reward from your Father in heaven. Matthew 6:1’.”

After the award presentation, Rebecca Byrne, President and CEO, introduced the Foundation’s new brand and tagline – Giving Today. Growing Tomorrow. Byrne explained the icon in the new logo symbolizes the coming together of people for one united purpose. The logo’s clean and modern look represents the Foundation as a progressive anchor for the community.
SANKOFA ACADEMY OF EXCELLENCE
a M.O.R.E. Initiative Grantee

Sankofa Academy of Excellence (SAE) is a program offered at Pillans Middle School that aims to build the capacity of young men who are deemed “high risk” due to a high level of discipline infractions, low level of academic performance and lack of community engagement during the academic year. It is a collaborative effort between Lifelines Counseling Services, the lead operational agency, the Mobile County Public School System, and A Servant’s Love.
In 2014, we distributed $2.7 million in grants, $429,000 of which was awarded through our competitive grantmaking process. The Foundation’s competitive grantmaking concentrates on our special initiatives and four priority areas: Arts and Culture, Economic Opportunity, Health and Wellness and Civic Engagement.

Many of these grants focused on strengthening the capacity of nonprofits in our region. Grants were also awarded as part of our continued work through the Males Overcoming and Reaching Excellence (M.O.R.E.) Initiative. This multi-year initiative was designed to increase the ability of males ages 8 - 18 to make better lifestyle choices to improve their overall health now and in the future.

Camp Horizon
a M.O.R.E. Initiative Grantee

Camp Horizon, a therapeutic wilderness residential program of the Baldwin County Commission, helps struggling youth transition their lives in a more meaningful and positive direction. The program is designed for non-violent, low-level juvenile offenders from Baldwin, Escambia, Clarke, Mobile, Choctaw, Conecuh and Washington counties. Court-referred youth are required to successfully complete sixteen weeks of the program that focuses on enhancing social skills, enriching family relationships, increasing personal accountability, reducing risky behavior and improving overall academic participation. As the treatment progresses and time elapses, the residents gradually transition back into their real-life setting with aftercare support and monitoring.

CHANGING LIVES
VICTORY HEALTH PARTNERS

This year, we awarded a $20,000 grant to Victory Health Partners for a technology upgrade through our Health and Wellness Priority Area.

Victory Health Partners’ mission is to provide affordable quality care for low income uninsured adults in the greater Mobile area. With this grant, combined with a $100,000 medical records software donation from the Greenway Medical Software Company, Victory Health Partners is able to meet HIPAA compliance standards and better serve the uninsured of Mobile County.

BLACK BELT TREASURES CULTURAL ART CENTER

Through the Arts and Culture Priority Area, the Foundation awarded an $18,000 capacity building grant to Black Belt Treasures Cultural Art Center (BBTCAC) to strengthen diverse arts activities in Choctaw, Clarke, Conecuh, Monroe, and Washington counties. BBTCAC aims to foster, develop, and promote economic development initiatives aimed at creating jobs and increasing the income of Black Belt residents through the marketing of arts, crafts, literature, food products, and other items unique, as well as to cultivate and provide arts education, to the region.
NEW FUNDS

Ahavas Chesed

Clarke County Museum Memorial Trust Endowment Fund

Friends of Doyle Park Fund

James “Fat” Robertson Donor Advised Fund

John and Mary Tucker Fund

John D. & Myriam Crosby Expendable Fund

Mobile County Sheriff’s Flotilla Fund

Restoration Fund

Sara Sanford Dodd Fund

Trey/Dorothea Johnson Fund

The Alabama State Veterans Memorial Cemetery at Spanish Fort Foundation, Inc. Fund

U.S. Navy League - Mobile Council Sea Cadet Endowment Fund

Watts Family Fund
“Our synagogue is over 100 years old and the availability of ongoing support is of vital importance to us. The growth of our fund at the Foundation is astonishing, and that gives us a feeling of security and assurance that we can continue on.”

—BERT MEISLER

Ahavas Chesed

Early members of the Jewish community in Mobile gathered in 1894 and called themselves Ahavas Chesed, Hebrew for “loving kindness.” Shortly thereafter, they purchased land for a proper burial site. Today, members of the Ahaves Chesed Synagogue have funds at The Community Foundation of South Alabama to ensure a viable future for their synagogue and to maintain their cemetery. Contributions to the Cemetery Fund are prudently invested to produce income to support the preservation of the historic two-acre burial place.
Excellence grows from a culture of philanthropy. Thank you for giving to the Foundation. Your gift makes a difference in our community today and tomorrow.
Family legacy will live on.

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Endowment Fund in honor of Glen Brock's 65 years made to establish the Glen P. and Esther G. Brock BuzzFeed.

FROM RAILROAD TIES TO FAMILY TIES

In 1977, a symbolic contribution of $6,500 was made to establish the Glen P. and Esther G. Brock Endowment Fund in honor of Glen Brock's 65 years of service to the railroad industry. Through wise investment, their unrestricted fund continues to grow today, providing grants for charities in our community. The civic minded couple instilled the spirit of philanthropy in their son Glen Porter Brock, Jr., who continued the family tradition of supporting the Community Foundation. The Brock Family legacy will live on.
SCHOLARSHIP

Al & Molly Kahn Scholarship Fund
Alfred F. Delchamps Sr. Memorial Fund
Anita S. Edwards Scholarship Fund
Ann St Baptist Church Mem II
Arendall/Boone Fund
Ben May Scholarship Fund
Beulah Goode Memorial and Thelma Goode Scholarship Fund
Brad Douglas Memorial Scholarship Fund
C. V. Daniels Memorial Scholarship
Carolyn Smith Adams Scholarship
Chadwick David Chesser Salutatorian Scholarship
Charles B. Arendall Scholarship Fund
Charles Hand Scholarship Fund
Charles Lang Christian Leadership Scholarship
Constance S. Bolton Scholarship Fund
David Christopher Coley Memorial Scholarship
Dorothy C. Smith Scholarship Fund
Dr. Charles & Patricia May Scholarship
Dr. Escous Blackwell Goode Scholarship
Edmund L. Deasy Scholarship Fund
Elizabeth Martin-Wilma Scrivner Scholarship Fund
Evie L. Kohen Scholarship Fund
Fannie Utsey Memorial Scholarship Fund
First Baptist Church Chickasaw/Colleen & Kenneth Bergdolt Scholarship
Gavin ”Gee” Hunter Agricultural Scholarship
Gus Shopoff Scholarship Fund
H. Austill Pharr Memorial Fund
Harry E. & Lula H. McCarn Nurses’ Scholarship
Hilliard P. and Helen P. Jenkins Scholarship
Hooper W Matthews Jr. Forestry Scholarship
Jack Edwards Scholarship Fund
Jean Fry Scholarship Fund
Joe Wayne Wright Jr. Scholarship Fund
Josephine Salter Educational Scholarship Fund
Kathy P. Knight Scholarship Fund
Kinsley Elizabeth Bulger Memorial Scholarship
Lucille Burson Scholarship Fund
Mary & Council Powell Scholarship Fund
Mary W. Steedley Scholarship Fund
Mathews Scholarship Fund
Mobile County Education Fund
Murphy Alumni Association, Inc.
/Curtis Williams Scholarship Fund
Murphy High School Class of ’31 Scholarship Fund
Orline Florey Endowment Fund
Pat Piercy Education Trust Fund
Patricia Boyd Wilson Scholarship Fund
Paul J. Bueche Memorial Fund
Rev. C. R. Maples Memorial Scholarship
Roy F. Martin Scholarship Fund
Roy R. Wilkie Scholarship Fund
Sam & Charlotte Eichold Endowment Fund
Samuel Willard Gates Scholarship Fund
Sara King Shepard Memorial Scholarship
Spring Hill College Class of ’51 Scholarship Fund
Sue & Sidney Magnes Scholarship Fund
T. Massey/Martha Bedsore Scholarship
The Eichold MD/MPH Scholarship Fund
Thomas T. Martin Scholarship Fund
Thompson Holdings Foundation Scholarship Fund
University of Mobile Scholarship
W K Weaver Jr. Endowment Scholarship
W. C. & Jeanette Dobbs Lectures Fund
Wayne D. McRae Scholarship
Wendell Hart Scholarship Fund

UNDESIGNATED

Alabama Power Foundation Unrestricted
Alfred F. Delchamps Sr. Fund
AmSouth Bank Unrestricted
Ann & Fred Delchamps Jr. Memorial
Baldwin County Undesignated Fund
Ben May Charitable Unrestricted
Book of Memory Fund
CFSA Community Endowment Unrestricted Fund
Charles Barkley Undesignated Fund
Crampton Trust Unrestricted
David Christopher Coley Unrestricted
Dennis Howard Fund
Edward A. Hirs Sr. Fund
Founder’s Society Fund
Frank P. Ellis Fund
Glen P. and Esther G. Brock Fund
Hand Arendall Unrestricted
Hank Aaron Fund
J. Finley McRae Fund
Jacque & Robert Williams Jr Undesignated
Jay Maisel Memorial Fund
Jean and Jack Smith Fund
Jean and Julius Marx Fund
Jeanette G. & Julius Kretzer Fund
John & Mia Hendon Unrestricted
Kenneth R & Zelma M Giddens Fund
Lippincott Warren Honorarium Fund
Mae Ellis Taul & Frank P Ellis Jr.
Mary Jane Huffman Fund
Meisler Family Undesignated Fund
Melvin and D.C. Stein Unrestricted
Metcalfe Undesignated Fund
Mitchell Unrestricted
Ogden Shropshire Fund
Oliver H Jr & Olilia M Delchamps Fund
Peggy & Blacksher Whitespunner Fund
Phil and Katherine Maher Unrestricted
R. Lloyd & Annie Meaher Hill Fund
Ralph B Chandler Charitable
Regions Bank Unrestricted
Roy Wilkie Unrestricted
South Trust Bank Unrestricted
Strauss Charitable Undesignated Fund
Sybil H. Smith Unrestricted
The Batchelor Fund
W. Davis Pilot Jr. Undesignated Fund
Walter & Loresa Bell Unrestricted
Walter N. Ingram Unrestricted Fund
Waterman Family Fund
Wayne D. McRae Undesignated
William A. & Marilyn Lubel Fund

A personalized fund at The Community Foundation of South Alabama supports what matters to you.

A variety of fund types provide the flexibility for you to be as active as you wish, recognize your family or business, gain an immediate tax deduction and grow your charitable fund through investment. Let us help you build a tradition of giving that will last forever.

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The Community Foundation of South Alabama (CFSA) recognizes that stewardship of the assets entrusted to us is one of our most important responsibilities. The trust of our donors is based upon our ability to invest these resources prudently and to use the income produced in accordance with our donor’s charitable wishes, today and in the future.

The responsibility for managing CFSA’s investment portfolios is vested in the Board of Directors through the Investment Committee.

CFSA is audited annually by independent auditors McKean & Associates CPAs and Consultants. A copy of the Audited Financial Statements are available upon request. The IRS Form 990 can be found at communityfoundationsa.org.
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Vision: To create an inclusive and economically thriving community that is healthy and safe for all.

Mission: The Community Foundation of South Alabama assembles and directs philanthropic assets to make Southwest Alabama a better place.

Value Proposition: The Community Foundation of South Alabama is uniquely positioned to raise permanent assets primarily devoted to Southwest Alabama, and to lead in convening, identifying, and generating solutions to some of the region’s most pressing issues.

Service Area: Mobile, Baldwin, Escambia, Conecuh, Monroe, Clarke, Choctaw, and Washington Counties