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*Thanks to people like you,
 Wexford continues to make a difference to our neighbors in need!*

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Wexford Plantation Charitable Foundation Mission

Wexford Plantation, a residential community located on Hilton Head Island, SC, has created the Wexford Plantation Charitable Foundation, whose mission is to support with financial and volunteer resources, Beaufort County non-profit organizations, which provide social services for humanitarian needs.



Supporting Health, Housing, Hunger & Educational Charities of the Lowcountry



Wexford Plantation Charitable Foundation 2017 News Update



A Letter from the Chairman

Dear Neighbors & Friends of the Foundation,

Since our creation five years ago, the Wexford Charitable Foundation has raised over \$850,000 through your generous donations and support of our fund raising events. In addition to the fourteen well deserving charities that received grants at our fifth Annual Awards' Luncheon in February, this past year saw the award of our first major grant when we donated \$100,000 to Hopeful Horizons. Hopeful Horizons is doing an amazing job of supporting law enforcement, community awareness and healing in the very painful field of child and domestic abuse. They give victims a path to safety – a chance at normalcy. Our grant enabled them to open a new office in Bluffton to support adults and children in our area.

The Trustees and committee members of the Foundation work very hard to ensure the funds that we raise make a significant impact on the charities we support and that those charities make a positive impact on those in need in Hilton Head Island. The Foundation which has very low administrative expenses (3.1%) conducts a structured review of the charities, their mission and their finances, a completion review of grants, and communications with our donors and the community at large. We hope you know that you are a critical part of our Foundation and that the Trustees truly appreciate the support you continue to provide. Thank you for the privilege of being your voice of collective giving.

Whether this year is your first year to contribute to the Wexford Charitable Foundation, your sixth year, or somewhere in between please be assured that we will spend your donor dollars in a manner that will make you proud. Please contact any of the Foundation Trustees if you would like more information or would like to discuss ways that you can help the Foundation improve this wonderful place we call home.

Thank you,

Jim Hicks
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In February around 90 Wexford contributing members attended the Annual Grants Award Luncheon sponsored by South State Bank where awards were made to fourteen local charities.



Mayor Lisa Sulka and Jim Hicks open the new Hopeful Horizons office in Bluffton with CEO Shaw Chin Caps, COO Kristin Dubrowski and Hilton Head Councilman David Ames in close attendance.

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Visit www.WexfordFoundation.com to learn more about our recipient charities, our Foundation Committees and how you could become involved!

SAVE THE DATE: 6th Annual Gala & Auction—Saturday, November 4
Stay posted for this year's theme!

2017 Grant Recipients

Hopeful Horizons: Hopeful Horizons are our major grant recipient this year. The Wexford Foundation grant of \$100,000 enabled this outstanding children's advocacy, domestic violence and rape crisis center to open a new satellite office in Bluffton to provide safety, hope and healing to victims of child abuse, violence and sexual assault in southern Beaufort County.

Boys & Girls Club of Hilton Head Island (BGCHHI): Their mission is to enable young people to reach their full potential as productive, caring and responsible citizens. Their afterschool program reaches over 200 students per day and this grant will fund new computers for their computer lab.

The Children's Center: The Children's Center provides a quality pre-school and daycare learning environment for the working poor in our community. This grant will fund materials for children in Kindergarten through third grade, and also provide support for field trips.

Family Promise: Family Promise's mission is to provide temporary shelter, family stability and permanent housing solutions for homeless families with children. This grant will provide funds for participants in its Leaping Forward and Staying on Track Program.

Heather Trew Foundation: The Heather Trew Foundation is dedicated to raising awareness of the importance of organ, eye and tissue donation. This grant will provide much needed equipment and educational materials.

Heroes of the Lowcountry: The Heroes of the Lowcountry provides help to underserved students in Beaufort and Jasper Counties so they can realize their dream of continuing education beyond high school. This grant will provide money for an expanded scholarship program for 2017-2018.

Hilton Head Island Safe Harbour: Hilton Head Island Safe Harbour provides transportation, and other services to allow our aging population to remain in their homes. This grant will help them to recruit additional volunteer drivers to reduce the waiting time for their services.

Hospice Care of the Lowcountry: Hospice Care of the Lowcountry gives comfort, honor and dignity for end of life patients and their families through compassionate physical, emotional and spiritual care. This grant will provide funds to their Veterans Caregiver Relief program to provide nursing assistance to terminally ill veterans.

The Literacy Center (TLC): TLC's primary mission is to equip adults with reading, writing, math and speaking skills that are needed to be self-reliant and successful at home, work and in the community. This grant will fund their Family Literacy Program to develop literacy skills for children with their parents.

Meals on Wheels: Meals on Wheels provides a hot, mid-day meal 5 days per week to those in need of nutritional help. This grant will enable them to serve 6 new clients for one year

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI): NAMI is dedicated to improving the lives of individuals with mental illness and their families. This fund will cover speaker fees, travel, staff time, hospital outreach and training programs to improve services for patients and families of the mentally ill.

Neighborhood Outreach Connection: Provides tutoring, health screening, and workforce development for students and families living in poverty. This grant will enable them to purchase equipment for students use and for adults to learn English.

Pockets Full of Sunshine: Pockets Full of Sunshine's mission is to make Beaufort County a 'sunnier' place by employing intellectually and physically disabled adults. This grant will fund the purchase of much needed supplies for arts and crafts made by special needs adults.

Programs for Exceptional People (PEP): PEP's goal is to enhance the lives of adults with disabilities by providing socialization, occupational and employment opportunities. This grant will enable PEP to bring in more adults each day and return them safely to their destination.

Second Helpings: Second Helpings work with Food Providers and Distributors to distribute food and eliminate hunger to those in need in the Lowcountry. This year's grant will help fund transportation to improve their delivery service.

Become a Member of the Wexford Charitable Foundation

To make a one-time contribution or three year Cornerstone Pledge

- Send a check payable to "Wexford Charitable Foundation" at P.O. Box 4100, Hilton Head Island, SC 29938
- Request the Foundation Chair (Jim Hicks) to have your contribution billed to your Wexford Account
- Pay online with PayPal by logging onto www.WexfordFoundation.com

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