

## 2020 Grant Recipients

**Med-I-Assist** pays for eye exams and glasses for people living at or below the poverty level. This grant will provide additional glasses and reduce 2 yearly to annual eye examinations for specific cases

**Memory Matters** offers support services to those patients afflicted with Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia. This grant supports partial cost of a certified nurse for 24 clients

**National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)** works to preserve and strengthen family relationships challenged by severe mental illness. This grant supports community advocacy education for those with mental illness and an updated data base

**Pockets Full of Sunshine** makes Beaufort County a sunnier place by employing intellectually and physically disabled people. This grant supports the micro printing process

**Programs for Exceptional People (PEP)** enhance the lives of disabled adults with opportunities for socialization and employment. This grant provides for additional clients and partial cost towards replacement of a damaged vehicle.

**Sandalwood Community Food Pantry** provides fresh food, love, dignity and spiritual guidance to 700 families mainly in the HH area. This grant will purchase equipment for fresh fruit and vegetable storage.

**Second Helpings** rescues food from supermarkets, restaurants and stores for delivery to charities and food banks to feed 5900 people weekly. This grant will go towards vehicle maintenance.

**Special Olympics SC** provides year-round training for special needs children and adults in a variety of sports and competitions. This grant supports purchase of materials for a one day SC Olympic track and field event

**Volunteers in Medicine HHI (VIM)** provides free medical, dental and mental healthcare to poverty stricken and underinsured residents. This grant will support a program to reduce the incidence of cancer by funding some 75 mammograms and pap smears to patients aged 30 and older.

**Volunteers in Medicine Bluffton** provides the same services as VIM HHI to Bluffton clients. This grant supports the only Diabetic Retinopathy Treatment program including screenings, treatment and injections to uninsured clients in Beaufort County

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

### A Special Thanks to our Corporate Sponsors



The Wexford Foundation would also like to thank those members who have supported us through financial contributions and donations of auction items.

### Become a Supporter of the Wexford Charitable Foundation

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Consider the Wexford Foundation in your estate plan. Speak to your Financial Advisor to learn more.

#### Donor Advised Funds

Speak with your Financial Advisor to learn more about setting up a donor-advised account.

#### Gift from your IRA Funds

If you are subject to taking a Required Minimum Distribution from your IRA, consider making a gift to the Wexford Foundation. The transfer must be made directly from your IRA to the Foundation. All IRA gifts may be mailed to us at P.O. Box 4100, Hilton Head Island, SC 29938.

*\*Your donation may be tax deductible*



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

## Wexford Plantation Charitable Foundation 2020 News Update



When 32 local charities (pictured above) attended our Grants Luncheon in February nobody anticipated the impact of the Covid19 virus on the charities who address humanitarian needs in our community. The Wexford Foundation has committed additional support to those charities which are most affected by this situation.





## A Letter from the Chair

Dear Neighbors and Friends of the Foundation

When this letter was first drafted we were celebrating our annual luncheon, and the awarding of more than \$234,000 to 32 deserving organizations; I was quietly reflecting on a family wedding in London and the prospects for the year ahead. How dramatically things have changed over the course of a few weeks. With the impact of the Covid 19 virus so many of our local agencies and the people they support are facing unprecedented difficulties and almost certainly will well into the future. However, your Foundation is proactively talking to the charities that we donated to this year and establishing where we can provide additional assistance. Accordingly, I wrote to you with an appeal for extra help and I am proud to say the outpouring of support from Wexford members was terrific.

We have said many times that this is your Foundation, dedicated to responsibly making grants to deserving causes throughout Hilton Head and the surrounding area. Each application we receive is examined by our Grants Committee and if judged to be worthy of further consideration is allocated to a committee member for a more detailed review. Personal visits along with a detailed examination of financials, operating procedures and management structure results in a comprehensive grant application. During December, the Grants Committee meets to review all completed applications for the year before recommending to the Board of Trustees which charities should receive a grant and how much it should be. Grants are then awarded at the Grants Awards Luncheon every February and there is a follow up process to ensure grants have been correctly utilized in the way that the application described.

All of this is a very long way of saying that your donations are handled responsibly and since the Foundation operates as an all-volunteer team handling fundraising, allocation of grants and administration, nearly 97% of every dollar raised goes to the charities that we support.

We truly appreciate your involvement in whatever capacity you may be able to help because we could not do it without your support and your generous contributions. If you would like to get further involved this year, and to discuss how you can help us, please contact me at [chair@wexfordfoundation.com](mailto:chair@wexfordfoundation.com) or approach any member of our Trustee Board. We would love to talk to you.

Best wishes

Stephen Carter

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*In November over 100 Wexford members attended the Midnight Masquerade Gala & Auction sponsored by Fidelity Investments and the Wexford Foundation raised over \$70,000 for local charities in need.*



*In December, several of the Wexford Foundation Trustees volunteered to help at the Special Olympics bowling tournament held over three days in Bluffton for special needs children and adults.*

Visit [www.WexfordFoundation.com](http://www.WexfordFoundation.com) to learn more about our recipient charities, our Foundation Committees and how you could become involved!

**SAVE THE DATE:** 9th Annual Gala & Auction— Saturday, November 7, 2020

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**Bikers Against Child Abuse (BACA)** Assists abused kids with law enforcement, court appearances, therapy/healing and keeping families together in their own home. This grant helps to set up a rolling billboard trailer at the Victims Service Center.

**Backpack Buddies** provides weekend and summer meals to disadvantaged school children and their parents on HHI. This grant covers meals for 25 children for one year

**Backpack Buddies of Bluffton** This grant supports their mission to provide weekend food, monthly food boxes for 700 children/145 families and Bluffton Farmers Market vouchers in the summer months.

**Bluffton Self Help** helps neighbors in critical need of short-term financial assistance, food and clothing to become more self-reliant. This grant will help 20 additional households.

**Born to Read** visits new parents to advise the importance of daily reading and communication with infants from birth. This grant provides support for materials and classes at hospitals and HHI library.

**Boys and Girls Club** enables young people to reach their full potential as productive, caring and responsible citizens. This grant together with matching funds will support remodeling of their kitchen.

**Child Abuse Prevention Center (CAPA)** focuses on keeping every child safe from intentional & unintentional harm. This grant provides expenses to support Pre K-5 training/mentoring programs.

**The Children's Center** provides quality pre-school and daycare learning for the working poor. This grant will support expansion and monitoring of their 6 week to 2 year infant toddler existing program.

**Children's Relief Fund** provides special needs children with appropriate tools to live productive lives. This grant provides therapeutic programs to children not covered by Medicaid or Insurance.

**Family Promise of Beaufort** provides shelter, food and support services to homeless families with children and this grant will support 72 individuals until suitable housing can be found.

**Grateful Hearts Soup Kitchen** provides hot meals to those in need. This grant will enable the purchase of food to serve weekly hot meals to more hungry, unemployed or poverty-stricken HHI residents.

**Heather Trew Foundation** promotes the increase in the registry of organ, eye and tissue donations. This grant will assist in their goal of targeting 100,000 donors from middle/high school and college students

**Heroes of the Lowcountry** provides support to under-served students to complete education beyond high school level. This grant provides additional tuition assistance for college education & scholarships.

**Heroes on Horseback** provides Equine Therapy Tuition for special needs children, adults and veterans This grant will support their program for an additional 20 individuals.

**Hilton Head Deep Well Project** helps people in emergency situations with rent, utility bills, food, clothing, furnishings or home repairs. This grant will provide support for 16 additional families.

**Hilton Head Safe Harbour** provides transportation for medical appointments so the aging population can remain in their own homes. This grant will fund services for 6 new clients covering 600 annual trips.

**Hopeful Horizons** has advocacy centers which provide safety, hope and healing to victims of child abuse, domestic violence and sexual assault. This grant supports proactive violence prevention through training in schools

**Hospice of the Lowcountry** is a nonprofit agency providing comfort, honor and dignity for end-of-life patients and their families. This grant supports their mission with programs for HHI residents.

**The Literacy Center** provides adults with reading, writing, and language skills to be self-reliant and successful in the community. This grant supports job skills development to support local workforce availability shortage and US citizenship programs.

**Love House Learning Academy** provides after school care and summer learning programs as well as a daily hot meal. This grant will support teaching/training materials & internet hook up for 60 students

**Lowcountry Autism Foundation** enhances the lives of individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder and their families through individually designed programming, advocacy and awareness efforts. This grant supports family services and the Parents Night Out program.

**Meals on Wheels** maintains daily contact with a hot mid-day meal 5 days a week, 52 weeks a year to homebound seniors. This grant will fund the cost of providing meals for an additional 6 clients.