

## AT A GLANCE

### OUR TOP FIVE GRANT DISTRIBUTION YEARS

(JULY 1 – JUNE 30)

1. 2020 -2021

\$2,330,598

2. 2006 – 2007

\$1,833,869

3. 2019 – 2020

\$1,529,396

4. 2007-2008

\$1,469,206

5. 2009 – 2010

\$1,420,952

### TOTAL GRANT DISTRIBUTIONS SINCE INCEPTION

(1999- JUNE 30, 2021)

\$20,931,437



*Foundation Grants Review Committee Chairman Jane Mudd (center) presents an Unrestricted Grant to AIM. Representing AIM are Juana Slade, Ala Chappellear, Kristi King-Brock and Susan Anderson*

## FROM THE PRESIDENT

A Community Foundation is defined as a “grant making public charity.” Listed in the At A GLANCE column in this newsletter are the top five grant making years in our 23-year history. During our previous fiscal year, 2020 – 2021, we surpassed \$2 million in overall grants for the first time in our history. But, when our current fiscal year ends on June 30th, we will have a **New Number One** year in overall grant making. During the first nine months of our current fiscal year, we have distributed \$2, 579,083 in overall grants. Most grants stayed here in our service area.

With the volatility in the stock market during the first quarter of 2022, I have been reminded that the overall objective for our corpus of charitable funds is **long term capital growth**. I am confident that in the months and years to come we will experience new highs in the market, and we will enjoy the continued growth of our corpus of charitable funds that in turn will lead to many **new ‘number one’ years** in overall grant making. With the continued generosity of our current and future fund holders, we will have many more years in which we celebrate a record amount of grant making.

Sincerely,

R. Dean Woods, President

PROJECT #6 REVEAL  
COMING April 28th



North Main Commons  
500 Block of North Main St.



# SPOTLIGHT ON SERVICE

## VISION:

“Our vision is to be the leading donor-focused philanthropic organization in our service area committed to improving the quality of life in our communities.”



## MISSION:

“Our mission is to inspire participation in philanthropy and retain the charitable wealth in Anderson, Oconee and Pickens Counties to positively impact lives now and for future generations.”



**THE LOT PROJECT**  
LOVE NEVER FAILS

**The LOT Project** had much to celebrate on March 17th at their Celebration 2022. Cody Wright, Development Director brought us up to date recently on the latest programs underway at The LOT Project.

Taylor Henry, **Artisan Gardens** Director is using former residential properties in the Alphabet Streets and transforming them into greenspaces and gardens where they can grow food for those in need, teach people how to garden, and serve the community in a sustainable and life-giving manner.

**West Market Makers** is quickly taking shape at their West Market Street location, featuring state of the art tools and equipment donated to The LOT Project by Maril Yeske. Participants will be able to collaborate on projects and have access to machinery far too expensive to purchase individually. Specialized classrooms will provide the prerequisite training for mastering woodworking tools, metal working tools, and eventually also 3D printing and weaving.

Meanwhile, weekly food and clothing distributions continue every Tuesday and Thursday evening from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the LOT.



Maril Yeske and Cody Wright discuss how the woodshop at West Market Makers will benefit the community



Donations of clean, gently used clothing are always appreciated!



Artisan Gardens is hosting a Composting Workshop on April 23rd, at 9:30am!



**Anderson Free Clinic**  
Providing Better Health Through Caring

**The Anderson Free Clinic** celebrated their grand reopening on March 15, hosting a reception to mark the occasion. We caught up with them recently to get a closer look at the completely refurbished pharmacy and patient care areas.

The Free Clinic relies heavily on a dedicated team of trained volunteers who provide their expertise free of charge. Director Tammie Collins explained that “We are the only agency providing free medical, vision and dental care to low income, uninsured residents of Anderson County. She reminded us that Walk With the Docs is just around the corner: The Honea Path Walk is Sat, Apr 23rd & the Anderson Walk is Sat, Apr 30th. **Join them for both!**



Adult dental services offered onsite include fillings and extractions. Dental Clinics are usually Friday mornings, but times may vary.



In this 2016 photo, the late Jorene Cauthen (right) is shown working in the Free Clinic Pharmacy where she volunteered for over 17 years. Jorene's legacy of service endures as well as her benevolence through the Irvin and Jorene Cauthen Fund.



Adult medical services offered onsite include sick visits, ongoing treatment of chronic conditions, and flu vaccinations. Services are offered by physicians and nurse practitioners.