

FOOTHILLS COMMUNITY FOUNDATION




ANNUAL REPORT TWO-THOUSAND TWENTY TWO



FOOTHILLS COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT & THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

Philanthropy is a powerful tool. It can transform communities and change lives. Foothills Community Foundation's Mission and Vision is centered on the promotion of philanthropy in this place we call home. One way we do that is by annually celebrating the impact of philanthropy. This year we recognized Charles and Libby Dalton with our annual Robert M. Rainey Philanthropy Award. In addition to their lifetime of service to people in our region Charles and Libby recently headed up the capital campaign for a new YMCA building in the City of Easley. That facility is now under construction and will make a significant impact in the community for many years to come. We celebrated philanthropy during our annual grant distribution event in October when 16 of our fund holders awarded 48 grants to 25 different charities in our region. Our growing number of fund holders believe in the power of philanthropy. Since our inception in 1999 our fund holders have enabled us to distribute over \$25 million in overall grants. We celebrate their efforts throughout this Annual Report. **When donors understand that they are making a difference they are willing to invest again and again.** We celebrate their (your) generosity. Working together we are making a difference in our communities and we are changing lives.



R. Dean Woods, *President*



Jeff Roberts, *Board Chairman*

OUR 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."



John Miller, Libby and Charles Dalton, and Robert Rainey

CHARLES & LIBBY DALTON

2021 ROBERT M. RAINEY AWARD RECIPIENTS



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The Robert M. Rainey Philanthropy Award is presented to a philanthropist in the Oconee, Pickens, and Anderson County area who has made significant contributions to the betterment of the community. On Tuesday, November 15th, founding board member John Miller presented the 2021 Rainey Award to Charles and Libby Dalton at a luncheon in their honor.

Charles Dalton is President and CEO Emeritus of Blue Ridge Electric Cooperative, retiring in 2018 after 36 years. Under his leadership, the company's Blue Ridge Fest grew to one of the largest charity fundraisers in the Upstate, donating more than \$2.7 million to human help organizations since its beginning in 1998. With a background in business, public relations and marketing, **Libby Dalton** rose to CEO of the Pickens County YMCA, the first woman in South Carolina to serve in this capacity. Both have served tirelessly throughout the upstate in charitable and community service organizations.



Drone shot of the new Easley YMCA currently under construction

“Libby and I were honored when we were given the opportunity to be involved in the YMCA capital campaign,” Charles Dalton said. “We gladly accepted this opportunity because both of us are indebted to Pickens County and its people. I was born and raised in the county and both of us spent most of our adult years working here. It is very meaningful to us to have a chance to give back to Pickens County through this wonderful project.”

**CHARLES AND LIBBY
DALTON HAVE
EXEMPLIFIED A
LIFETIME OF SERVICE
TO THE COMMUNITY.**



Agency and Organizational Funds

Anderson Area Chamber of Commerce
Anderson Arts Center
Anderson Cemetery Fund
Anderson Interfaith Ministries
Anderson Police Department Endowment
Calvary Home for Children
City of Westminster Hall Street Park Fund
Clemson Community Foundation Fund
Friends of the Anderson County Library
Friends of the Anderson County Museum
Greater Anderson Musical Arts Consortium
Hospice of the Upstate
Kiwanis Club of Anderson
Harry and Julie Morse Anderson Free Clinic
Park Partners
Pendleton Historic Foundation
Pendleton Presbyterian Church Cemetery
Trust Fund Maintenance Fund
Pendleton Presbyterian Church Fund

Rotary Club of Anderson
Saint Luke's Free Medical Clinic
Tile Heritage Foundation
United Way of Anderson County Endowment
Walhalla Rotary Club

Scholarship Funds

Tres Bailes Memorial
Beth Park Memorial Scholarship/
Altrusa of Anderson
Bill Barnette Band Scholarship
Bloomer Foundation
Irvin Cauthen Scholarship
Coach Jim Fraser Memorial Scholarship
Hill Electric Company Scholarship
Jonny A. Lyons Scholarship
Anderson County Club Dee Watkins
Endowed Scholarship
Sandra Myers Memorial
George E. Prince Memorial Ring
Tamassee-Salem Challenge to Be Great

Community Foundation Initiatives

American Heritage Forum Fund
Anderson Area Remembrance and
Reconciliation
Anderson Chamber Music Series
Anderson International Festival
Anderson Regional Airshow
Anderson Swim Club Booster Club
Blue Zone of Anderson
Brighter Christmas Fund
Celebrate Anderson
Clemson Bone Marrowthon
Dog Park Fund
Freddie Stowers Memorial Veterans Park
Go Play Outside Disc Golf Course
Junior Leadership Anderson
Junior Leadership Pickens County
Leadership Anderson Class 37
Operation Dragonfly
Sol Flowers Fund
TBA 100
William R. Phillips Memorial



Anderson Toy Parade presents their gift to the Brighter Christmas Fund



Mayor Terence Roberts looks on as The Big Dog steel sculpture is unveiled at the TBA Dog Park.

Field of Interest Funds

AnMed Community Health Improvement
 Anderson County Savannah River Basin Restoration
 and Education
 Ben Comen, Living Without Limits
 Catawba Wateree Habitat Enhancement Fund - NC
 Catawba Wateree Habitat Enhancement Fund - SC
 City of Anderson Public Art Fund
 City of Easley Joe Lesley Athletic Assistance
 City of Easley Parks and Recreation Partners
 Greater Anderson Musical Arts Consortium
 Lakes and Bridges Charter School
 Piedmont Health Assistance Fund
 Keowee Toxaway Habitat Enhancement Fund
 Rocky River Conservancy
 Shaw Center for Housing and Economic Growth
 Students Demand Action
 Upstate Historic Preservation Society
 Upstate Land Conservation Fund
 Westminster Hall Street Park Fund

Designated Funds

Orr Family Designated Fund
 Schonauer Designated Fund

Donor Advised Funds

Beatenbough Fund
 Anita R. and James T. Boseman Fund
 Austin Fund
 Briar Patch Fund
 Carol E. Burdette Fund
 Dennis M. Burt Family Fund
 Carroll Family Fund
 Irvin L. and Jorene J. Cauthen Fund
 Collins Fund
 Peter and Anne Cook Fund
 Crader-Vaughn Family Fund
 Direct Access Fund
 The Faith Fund
 Carole and Fred Foster Fund
 Father Francis Friend Fund
 Irene B. Friend Fund
 Mason Garrett Fund
 Harold and Kay Gilbert Fund
 Great Outdoors Fund
 Sue and John Greene Fund
 Thomas C. and Sherrill Knobel Hall Fund
 Harmon Fund
 Haynie Family Fund
 Hill Electric Donor Advised Fund
 James O. and Ann Dunaway Herbert Fund
 Hughes Donor Advised Fund
 Joye Family Charitable Fund
 F. Stevon Kay Fund
 Lynn A. Kay Fund
 Lauri and Art Klugh Fund
 Krause Family Charitable Fund
 J. Charles and Sharon Lee Fund
 Lucas Family Fund

J. Michael Magaha Fund
 David and Saunders McCollum Fund
 McCollum Community Fund
 McDonald Charitable Fund
 McDougald Family Fund
 Marshall and Jennifer Meadors Fund
 Mohsseni Fund
 C. L. Morehead, Jr. Fund
 Mosley Family Fund
 Guiseppi-Elie P2V2 Fund
 Chris Painter Fund
 Pickens Family Fund
 William B. Pickens Fund
 J. Calhoun Pruitt, Jr., Fund
 Pruitt Foundation Fund
 The Red Bird Fund
 Tom and Pam Roose Family Fund
 Louise Weston and Robert M. Rainey Fund
 Linda Kelley Smith (O'Quinn) Fund
 Ron and Pam Spinharney Fund
 Sarah L. Spinharney Fund
 Suggs Johnson Fund
 Fred and Sandi Tolly Fund
 Tope Family Fund
 Ernest and Louise Trammell Fund
 Sue and Tom Tuten Family Fund
 Mary Alyce and Barry Visioli Fund
 Wham Family Fund
 Whitaker Donor Advised Fund
 Wilkes Donor Advised Fund
 Dean Woods Fund
 Maril Yeske and Family Fund

2022 GRANTS

ARTS AND CULTURE

Anderson Arts Center
Anderson Chamber Music Series
Anderson County Museum
Belton Area Museum Association
Brookgreen Gardens
Carolina Youth Symphony
Electric City Playhouse
Friends of the Anderson County Museum
GAMAC
Highlands Performing Arts Center
Market Theatre
Peace Center for the Performing Arts
Pendleton Historic Foundation
Pendleton Foundation for Black History & Culture
SC Arts Foundation
SCETV
UGA Foundation

TOTAL 13%

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Abba's Ministries
Abiding Savior Lutheran Church
American Red Cross
Anderson Area Remembrance and Reconciliation Initiative
Anderson County PAWS
Anderson Emergency Kitchen
Anderson Forum for Progressive Theology
Anderson Interfaith Ministries
Bethany Baptist Church
Brighter Christmas Fund
Broadway Lake Fire Protection Association
Catherine's House

Cedar Springs Baptist Church
Centerville Fire Department
Central Carolina Community Foundation
Central Presbyterian Church
Chevy Chase Center
Christ Church EPC
Christian Veterinary Mission
Church of the Mediator
City of Anderson Police Department
Clayton United Methodist Church
Community Foundation of Greater Clemson
Covenant Baptist Church
DAV
Emmanuel's Hammer
Favor Upstate
Fellow Countrymen
First Baptist Church of Anderson
First Baptist Church of Iva
First Presbyterian Church
Flat Creek Baptist Church
Folds of Honor
Foothills Alliance
Foothills Community Foundation
Grace Episcopal Church
Highland Park United Methodist Church
Highlands First Presbyterian Church
H.O.M.E.
Habitat for Humanity
Haven of Rest
Hopewell Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.
Joy Comes
LaFrance Church of God
Leadership Anderson Class 37
MADD
Matthew 28
Meals on Wheels



Chief Jim Stewart, Mayor Terence Roberts and Major Nikki Carson at the Juneteenth Celebration, North Main Commons

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North Anderson Community Church
 North Anderson Presbyterian Church
 North Carolina Community Foundation
 Oakdale Baptist Church
 Oconee United Ministries
 Operation Dragonfly
 Salvation Army of Anderson County
 Sardis Baptist Church
 Set Free Alliance
 Shaw Institute
 Sheldon's K9's
 Sol Flowers
 Sons of the Divine Providence, Inc.
 South Main Chapel and Mercy Center
 St. Francis by the Sea Episcopal Church
 St. John's United Methodist Church
 Ten at the Top
 The Bridge Center
 The Carter Center
 The Lot Project
 Together SC
 Trinity United Methodist Church
 Tunnel To Towers
 United Ministries
 United Way of Anderson County
 United Way of Pickens County
 Westside Community Center
 Wings of Eagles Ranch
 World Vision
 Young Memorial ARP Church

TOTAL 21%

EDUCATION

Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College
 Anderson School District Five Homeless Liaison
 Anderson University
 Auburn University Alumni Association
 Chi Psi Educational Trust, Inc.
 Christ School
 Clemson University
 Clemson University Foundation
 College of Charleston
 College of Charleston Foundation
 Duke Divinity School
 Foundation for Geriatric Education
 Jay Bloomer Foundation
 Lakes and Bridges Charter School
 Mercer University
 School of Accountancy Excellence Fund
 Southern Wesleyan University
 Spartanburg Methodist College
 Special Education Fund of Emerald High School
 St. Timothy's School
 The McCallie School
 Trevecca Nazarene University

United Negro College Fund
 University of Cincinnati Foundation
 University of South Carolina
 Vanderbilt University
 Western Carolina University
 Wilson Hall

TOTAL 15%

ENVIRONMENT AND GREENSPACE

Coastal Conservation League
 Dog Park Fund
 Friends of Lake Keowee Society
 Lake Hartwell Association
 Lake Rabun Foundation
 National Audubon Society
 Naturaland Trust
 Nature Conservancy of South Carolina
 Southern Environmental Law Center
 TBA 100
 Upstate Forever
 Upstate Land Conservation Fund

TOTAL 19%

HEALTH

Anderson County Department of Social Services
 Anderson Free Clinic
 Anderson Pregnancy Care Center
 AnMed Health Foundation
 Bethesda Recovery
 Blue Zone of Anderson Project
 Cancer Association of Anderson
 Compassion and Choices
 DocLink
 Heather Abbott Foundation
 Holy Angels
 Hospice and Palliative Care Foundation
 Hospice of the Upstate
 Leukemia and Lymphoma Society
 Marion Medical Mission
 Mercy Ships
 MUSC Foundation
 National Child Safety Council
 National Multiple Sclerosis Society
 Salvation Oaks Recovery Community
 SCHA Foundation, Inc.
 Shriners Hospital for Children
 St. Baldrick's Foundation
 St. Jude Children's Research Hospital
 St. Luke's Free Medical Clinic
 Wounded Warrior Project

TOTAL 16%

YOUTH AND RECREATION

Anderson Area YMCA
 Area 14 Special Olympics
 Blue Ridge Council of the Boy Scouts
 Brushy Creek Elementary School PTA
 Calvary Home for Children
 Clemson University Disc Golf Association
 CRU
 Friends of Palmetto Boys State
 Girl Scouts of South Carolina Mtns to Midlands
 Lander University Disc Golf Club
 New Foundations Home for Children
 Outdoor Dream Foundation
 SC United Methodist Camps and Retreats
 Thornwell Home for Children
 Tri-County Young Life

TOTAL 16%



Craig Chappelear at the unveiling of
 TBA Project #6 "Threaded, a Sculptural Fountain"



GAMAC presents Ray McGee's Jazz Club,
 featuring the Shannon Hoover Quartet

EVERY EFFORT HAS BEEN MADE TO PRESENT THE MOST ACCURATE AND UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION POSSIBLE IN THIS REPORT.
 SHOULD YOU SEE AN OMISSION OR AN ERROR, PLEASE CONTACT THE FOUNDATION.

TOTAL GRANTS AWARDED \$2,975,536



Maril Yeske and Family Fund
to Anderson Free Clinic



Suggs Johnson Fund to AIM



Sue and John Greene Fund to
Anderson School District 5 Foundation



Orr Family Fund to Anderson Area YMCA



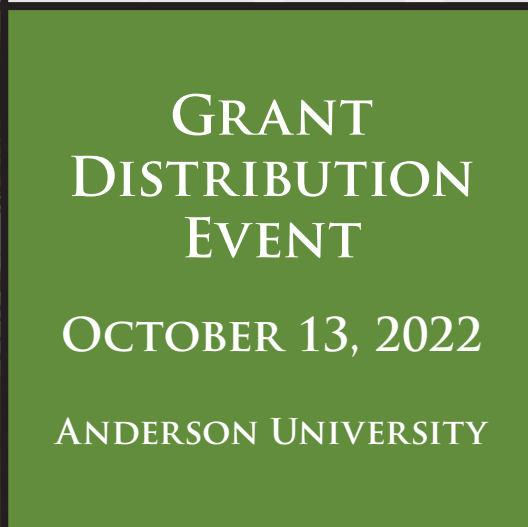
Rainey Fund to Hospice of the Upstate



Unrestricted Fund to Camp iRock



Unrestricted Fund to
Belton Area Museum Association



Wham Family Fund to Calvary Home



Unrestricted Fund to
Leadership Anderson Class 37





Bill Phillips Memorial Fund
to Habitat for Humanity



Boseman Fund
to Westside Community Center



Hall Fund to Meals on Wheels



Dennis M. Burt Fund
to Anderson University



Sol Flowers to The Bridge Center



Klugh Fund to Anderson Free Clinic



Crader-Vaughn Fund to
Lakes and Bridges Charter School



Orr Family Fund to
Anderson Emergency Kitchen



Cauthen Fund to
Anderson Police Department Endowment



Cauthen Fund to Favor Upstate



Briar Patch Fund to GAMAC



Carol Burdette Fund to
Pendleton Historic Foundation



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Legacy of Service

DONOR SPOTLIGHT

BOB AND KRISTINA AUSTIN

Bob Austin recognized the need for indigent dental services and responded by pioneering the community's first free dental clinic at the Anderson Free Clinic in 1991. "We discovered that poor dental health was having a major impact upon the overall health of our community and decided it was time to act" said Dr. Austin.

Dr. Austin began his dental training in the United States Air Force where he served four years of active duty as a dental tech, and then continued his education at the University of South Carolina and MUSC School of Dental Medicine where he received his Doctorate in Dental Medicine. Founder and owner of Austin Pray Family Dentistry, Dr. Austin has been recognized with a number of awards, the prestigious "Pointing the Way" award and most recently the "Fifteen over Fifty" award for community leadership.

**"You make a living
by what you take out
of the community,
but you make a life
by what you put
back into it."**

-Bob Austin, DMD



Kristi explains, "The Austin Donor Advised Fund provides us with an uncomplicated approach to giving. Helping others has just been a way of life for us. Our partnership with the Foothills Community Foundation makes it easier to fulfill our philanthropic goals."





Irvin Cauthen's Family Grocery Store in Lake Ida, Florida, 1930s

2022 SCHOLARSHIP HIGHLIGHTS



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THE IRVIN CAUTHEN SCHOLARSHIP – A scholarship honoring Irvin Cauthen is awarded to a student majoring in engineering or business at Anderson University, Florida State University, Clemson University, or Georgia Tech. **Elizabeth Haber**, a T. L. Hanna High School graduate majoring in business at Clemson, is the 2022 Irvin Cauthen Scholar.

HILL ELECTRIC SCHOLARSHIP – The 2022 Hill Electric Scholarship recipient is **Destiny Aiken**, a graduate of Palmetto High School, majoring in bioengineering at Clemson.

PRINCE MEMORIAL RING – The student body at T. L. Hanna High School chose **Dev Patel**, who attends the Honors College at USC and is studying biomedical engineering to be awarded the Prince Memorial Ring.



Elizabeth Haber



Destiny Aiken



Dev Patel

JONNY LYONS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

All three recipients descend from family members who were employed by Orr-Lyons Mill.

Whitner Bobo is a BHP graduate from Belton who attends Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College, majoring in crop and soil science.

Jay Dillard is a T. L. Hanna High graduate, studying sports communications at Clemson.

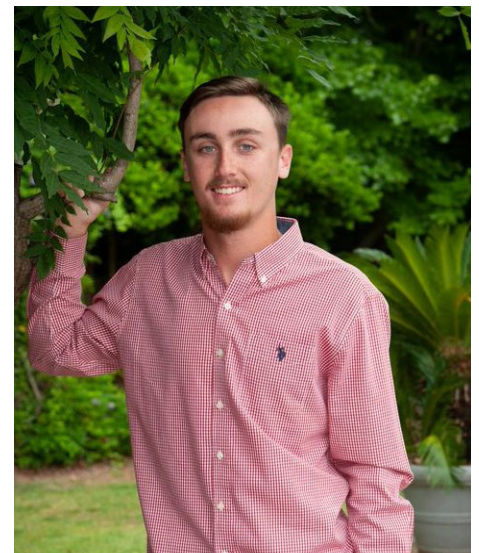
Regan Hendricks is a Crescent High graduate from Starr, majoring in civil engineering at Clemson.



Whitner Bobo



Jay Dillard



Regan Hendricks



BLOOMER SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT MOLLY LOFTIS

Jay Bradford Bloomer
(1976-2019)



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THE JAY BLOOMER SCHOLARSHIP

Established in 2020, this award honors the late Jay Bloomer with scholarships at his alma mater, Dobyns-Bennett High School in Kingsport, Tennessee, and T. L. Hanna High School. **Kerri Coen** from Dobyns-Bennett and **Molly Loftis** from Hanna are the 2022 Jay Bloomer Scholars. Miss Coen attends Trevecca Nazarene University in Nashville, pursuing a degree in nursing. Miss Loftis is a graphic design major at Anderson University, pursuing a BSFA.



Kerri Coen



Molly Loftis



Claire Long

THE ANDERSON COUNTRY CLUB DEE WATKINS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Colleen and Claire Long, members of the T. L. Hanna High School Golf Team, were selected to receive the Dee Watkins Scholarship for 2022. **Claire Long** attends the University of South Carolina majoring in journalism, and **Colleen Long** is studying nursing at the University of South Carolina.

Michael Cothran, from the Westside High School Golf Team, is attending Spartanburg Methodist College as a member of the Pioneers golf team, majoring in business.



Colleen Long



Michael Cothran



Alissa Morehead

SANDRA MYERS SCHOLARSHIP AT WEST OAK HIGH SCHOOL

Alissa Morehead is the 2022 recipient of a scholarship honoring the late Sandra Myers, awarded to a West Oak senior majoring in nursing or elementary education. Alissa attends the College of Charleston.



REBUILDING COMMUNITY FROM THE FLOOR UP

*Leadership Anderson Class 37
at the Westside Community Center*



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Refinished gym floor at the Westside Community Center



Dr. Bea Thompson receives the WCC's new scoreboard



Class 37 raising funds at Magnetic South Brewery

Founded in 1984, **Leadership Anderson** is a 10-month leadership development program devoted to strengthening and dedicating our community leaders.

Each year, the class is challenged with planning, campaigning, and executing a community project. Class 37 adopted the **Westside Community Center (WCC) gym**. This space has long been utilized to bring the community together. The vision of this project is to create a lasting space to raise future generations of the Westside community. Located on the site of the old Westside High School, Westside Community Center's mission is to enhance the quality of life by providing programs and services that promote a healthy community.



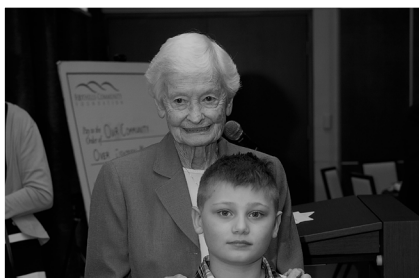
Improvements underway at Westside Community Center

HONORING LEGACIES

THE WILLIAM LAW WATKINS LEGACY SOCIETY

The William Law Watkins Legacy Society honors Mr. Watkins who had a vision that our area would benefit from a community foundation. His \$1 million bequest challenged the community to form the Foothills Community Foundation in 1999 and was the first planned gift received by the Foundation.

If you have made provisions for a planned gift through the Foundation or would like more information about creating your own lasting charitable legacy, please contact us. We would like to add your name to the William Law Watkins Legacy Society.



Jorene Cauthen
with her great-grandson



Clinky Seabrook



J. Roy Pennell, Jr. with Tom Ervin



James D. Huff, Sr.



Jonny K. Lyons



Kelley Smith O'Quinn



Beverly Lee



William Law Watkins



Mazie Burkett

MEMBERS

*Loyd & Mazie S. Burkett
Irvin L. and *Jorene J. Cauthen
*Francis Ann Friend
*Myrtle Gillespie

John & *Sue Greene
Lily Hall
*James Douglas Huff, Sr.
*Beverly Lee

*Jonny K. Lyons
John and Julie Miller
*J. Roy Pennell, Jr.
*Araluen "Clinky" Seabrook

**deceased*



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AT A GLANCE

July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022

GRANTS AWARDED

\$2,975,536

TOTAL GRANTS AWARDED SINCE INCEPTION

(1999-2022)

\$23,906,973

TOTAL ASSETS

\$31,506,778

TOTAL NUMBER OF FUNDS

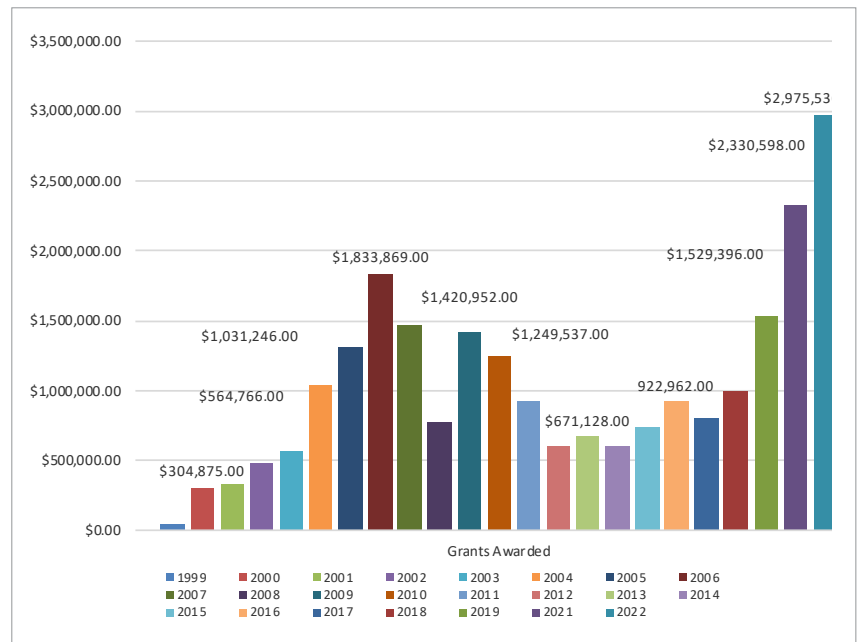
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NEW FUNDS

17



GRANTS AWARDED SINCE INCEPTION



FOUNDATION STAFF

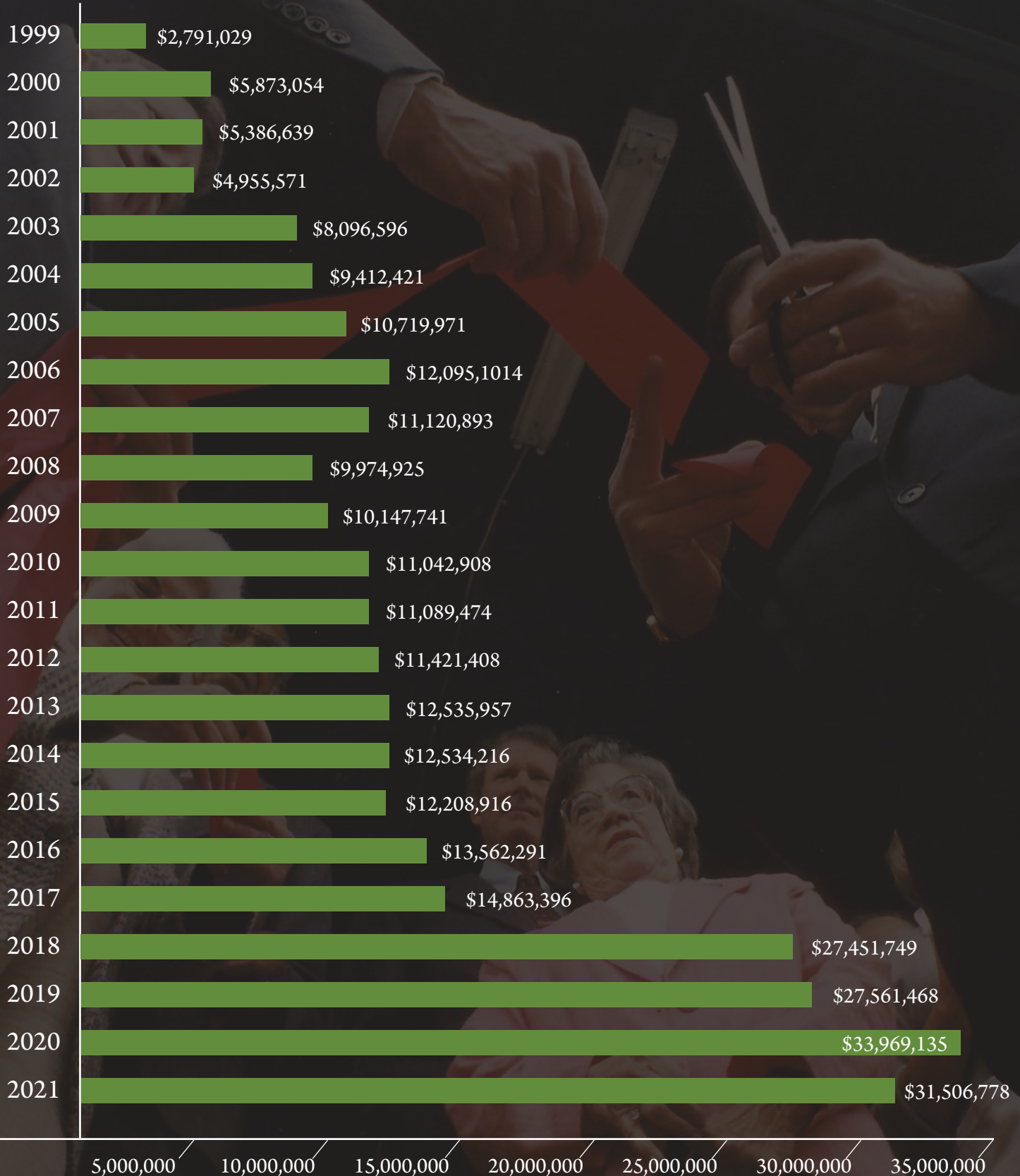


R. DEAN WOODS
President



CINDY E. KIBLER
Donor Services Director

GROWTH OF ASSETS SINCE INCEPTION



STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	JUNE 30, 2022	JUNE 30, 2021
ASSETS		
Cash	1,392,885	1,523,950
Marketable Securities and Real Estate	27,967,993	30,200,349
Fixed assets, net of accumulated depreciation	2,133,314	2,234,505
Other	12,586	10,331
Total	31,506,778	33,969,135
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Notes and Accounts Payable	1,083,365	1,213,856
Annuities Payable	697,196	731,202
Net Assets	29,726,217	32,024,077
Total	31,506,778	33,969,135
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITY		
Changes in Net Assets		
Investment Income	(2,462,863)	5,171,867
Contributions	3,443,597	3,678,118
Other	253,503	209,080
Total	1,234,237	9,059,065
Less: Grants	3,290,513	2,611,914
Other Expenses	298,109	250,007
Increase in Net Assets	(2,354,385)	6,197,144
Annuity Gifts in Excess of (less than) Actuarial Liability	56,525	21,878
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	32,024,077	25,805,055
Net Assets, End of Year	29,726,217	32,024,077
TOTAL ASSETS	31,506,778	33,969,135



See audited financial statements for additional details



2022 Executive Committee: Jeff Roberts, *Chairman*, Dennis M. Burt, *Vice Chairman*, Ann D. Herbert, *Secretary*, Theresa G. Knoepp, MD, *Treasurer*, and Robert W. 'Lujack' Orr, *Immediate Past Chairman*

2023 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Theresa G. Knoepp, MD, *Chairman*

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William Law Watkins*

Directors Emeriti

Irvin L. Cauthen

Cordes Gaillard Seabrook, Jr.*

**deceased*


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Gabrielle Cannick, MD, Ph.D

Anthony Guiseppi-Elie, Sc.D.

John A. Miller, Jr.

Jane W. Mudd

Robert M. Rainey, *President Emeritus*

Edward A. Spitz

D. Gray Suggs

Evans Whitaker, Ph.D.

Maril Yeske