IT'S A WONDERFUL LOWCOUNTRY LIFE
In 2019, Community Foundation of the Lowcountry celebrated our 25th anniversary. When I think of all that has been accomplished in that time, the metaphor that immediately comes to mind is Frank Capra’s classic film It’s a Wonderful Life. The beloved cinematic story is all about impact, purpose and how one person can make a difference in the lives of many.

The influence that George Bailey discovers he has had on his hometown of Bedford Falls is the same kind of effect that the Community Foundation and our donors have had on our Lowcountry community for 25 years. I can’t help but pause at this momentous juncture in our journey and take a few minutes to consider what our community might look like today had Community Foundation of the Lowcountry not been established; if we didn’t have generous, community-minded people quietly establishing funds and making donations, recommending grants and working together to first address and then meet the challenges our region and its residents have faced for the past 25 years.

Our story has purpose, too. Like George Bailey, we help people of the Lowcountry lasso the moon; we’ve been doing so for a quarter of a century, and we believe this calls for some Frank Capra-esque reflection. In this year’s annual report, we will revisit some of our firsts, explore some of the significant changes sparked by the Community Foundation and celebrate the fact that, unlike the people of Bedford Falls, we will never have to imagine what our local landscape might look like today had Community Foundation of the Lowcountry never existed.

Happy 25th Anniversary. It’s a Wonderful Lowcountry Life.

CHRIS KERRIGAN
President and CEO

OUR MISSION
Strengthening community by connecting people, resources and needs.

OUR VISION
Community Foundation of the Lowcountry is the most respected and able provider of philanthropic direction, management, education and support to the people in the communities we serve.

OUR CORE VALUES
We are dedicated to the following core values: Integrity, honesty, respect, fairness, caring, stewardship and responsiveness.
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF THE LOWCOUNTRY BY THE NUMBERS

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**GRANTS AWARDED BY CATEGORY**

- Arts & Culture: 36 grants, $331,667 (11%)
- Community Development: 11 grants, $1,020 (3%)
- Education: 229 grants, $2,067 (7%)
- Environment: 79 grants, $735 (3%)
- Health: 156 grants, $1,961 (7%)
- Human Services: 228 grants, $3,331 (12%)
- Religious Organizations: 34 grants, $320 (1%)
- Scholarships: 222 grants, $2,443 (9%)

**GRANTS AWARDED BY AREA**

- Inside Service Area: 2,306 grants, $19,202,035 (95%)
- Outside Service Area: 774 grants, $27,023,999 (5%)

**IN 2019**

- 364 total funds
- 27 new in 2019
- 4,463 donors in 2019
- 2,001 are new donors

**SINCE 1994**

- 13,420 grants awarded
- 2,071 nonprofit recipients (includes HHIFEF and all other funds)
- 268 nonprofit recipients from HHIFEF
- 898 scholarship recipients

**TOTAL ASSETS**

- $70,618,929

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- $82,276,034

**INSIDE SERVICE AREA**

- 1,161 grants, $6,502,925 (26%)
- 1,202 grants, $70,618,929 (74%)

**OUTSIDE SERVICE AREA**

- 3,331 grants, $27,023,999 (84%)
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**IN FY2019**

- 4,001 grants, $27,023,035
- 5,332 grants, $55,252,999

**CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED**

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In 1994, upon the sale of the hospital to Hilton Head Health System LP, the articles of incorporation and bylaws of the foundation were amended and restated, and Hilton Head Island Foundation, Inc. was created. The remaining funds from the sale of the hospital were used to create the Hilton Head Island Foundation Endowment Fund (HHIFEF). This first fund would become the cornerstone fund of Community Foundation of the Lowcountry.

The original board set up HHIFEF as an endowment fund designed to ensure that the fund would continue to grow and benefit future generations. The fund would support the hospital’s original service area of Hilton Head Island, Bluffton, Daufuskie Island and the organizations that provide support to the residents and workers of these communities. For 25 years, the grants awarded from this first fund have come only from its principal and investment income; the original endowment remains intact and will grow as the community continues to invest in HHIFEF.

It’s impossible to imagine what our community might look like today without the vision and foresight of that original group of community leaders. Thanks to their wisdom, the first fund has made more financial and human services impact than any Foundation fund. Since its inception, 268 nonprofit organizations have received one or more grants from the HHIFEF, enabling them to affect positive change in our communities and transforming the lives of thousands of Lowcountry residents. And because this first fund continues to grow, because our community continues to invest in this life-changing endowment, the HHIFEF will continue to provide grants for as long as Community Foundation of the Lowcountry exists.

What an awful hole there would be in our community today without the organizations who benefitted from those first HHIFEF competitive grants; without Beaufort-Jasper-Hampton Comprehensive Health Services, Hilton Head Island Friends of the Library, Volunteers in Medicine Hilton Head, The Children’s Center, Planned Parenthood of South Carolina, Hilton Head Island Recreation Association, ACCESS Network, Neighborhood Legal Assistance Program, Technical College of the Lowcountry Foundation Scholarship Fund, Cultural Council of Hilton Head, and Family Resources, Inc.

After school programs for children, cancer screening for women, health care for the underserved and uninsured families in our community, needed books and research materials for those who patronize our public library, legal assistance for those in need, college and career success for young people with the talent and desire to dream bigger but not the funds – all of these life-changing opportunities benefit our community and were helped along by the HHIFEF.

Today, with more than 350 charitable funds, combined assets totaling $70 million and grantmaking and scholarships reaching $71 million, Community Foundation of the Lowcountry is the largest source of unrestricted philanthropic resources dedicated to Beaufort, Colleton, Hampton and Jasper Counties.
In 1995, Joan and Wade Webster established the Community Foundation’s very first college scholarship with two objectives in mind: to offset a portion of each recipient’s college expenses and to offer a gift they could carry with them throughout their lives—financial knowledge to make sound, future-changing fiscal decisions.

The scholarship comes with some conditions. Prior to receiving their scholarship money, recipients are given a reading assignment that covers financial management, then they meet as a group to discuss practical, responsible financial decision-making. The Websters also invest $250 into an IRA for each recipient. In order to continue to receive the scholarship, each student is required to contribute a small amount into this account each year.

To date, the scholarship has awarded $230,000 to 68 students. We talked with three former recipients and asked them to share how the scholarship influenced their lives.

Christian Yates
With one in four Americans currently carrying college loan debt, leaving college debt-free is a pipe dream for many. Christian Yates started his post-college life in the black. How, exactly, did he do it? With the help of the Webster Scholarship, an entrepreneurial plan and sound financial decision-making. “The Webster Scholarship definitely helped. I also started a bike rental business (on Hilton Head Island) after my first year of college. I focused on good financial decision-making, being financially literate and I made the decision to go to a state school instead of others that were more expensive.”

While working a summer job at The Island Packet, Christian volunteered to manage their website. Nine years later he was a vice president with the company and expanding his knowledge in the internet and IT field. He left The Island Packet in 2008, worked for various companies across the country and is currently a marketing vice president for a development platform company in the Boston area.

Kim (Harris) Reed
The Joan and Wade Webster Scholarship made quite an impression on Kim (Harris) Reed, ultimately leading her to choose financial management as her college major. “It boosted my confidence to know the Websters believed in my abilities,” she says. It was the first scholarship she was awarded, and it gave her the courage to push forward.

“At 18, I didn’t really know what I wanted to do,” Kim says. “Once I got to college, I changed my major a number of times before I landed where I did.” Kim ultimately earned a degree in financial management with a concentration in investments. “I really love numbers,” she says.

Kim is the proud mother of three and works as a cross-fit coach. Her advice to college-bound kids: “You’re young and you’ve got a lot of life to live, so don’t put yourself in a hole. In each phase of life your goals may change; don’t stress yourself out.”

Loren Rodgers
Would you travel to the center of an Ebola outbreak? That’s exactly what Loren Rodgers did in 2014 when he was deployed to Guinea, West Africa to lead a team of “contact tracers” identifying undiagnosed cases of Ebola in an effort to contain and halt the virulent disease.

Rodgers is an epidemiologist with the United States Public Health Service Commissioned Corps. These days, he’s stationed with the CDC in Atlanta where he leads a team that analyzes emergency room data from across the country to ensure early detection and rapid assessment of potential health threats.

Loren knew at age 16 he wanted to be an epidemiologist, and he says the Webster Scholarship not only helped him pay for school, but it also freed him “to pursue activities that I might not have been able to do if I had to fully self-fund my college.”

It wasn’t just the scholarship’s financial support that helped Loren achieve success. The financial education component of the scholarship “was a tremendously valuable experience that has contributed to the fiscal attitude that I’ve carried forward,” he says.
The Outside Foundation would not exist as it does today without the support of Community Foundation of the Lowcountry.

– Dr. Jean M. Fruh
Executive Director

When Angel Second Class Clarence gives a disillusioned George Bailey the chance to see what Bedford Falls would look like without him in it, George comes to realize the positive role his life has played in the lives of his fellow townspeople. With your generosity, some of the Lowcountry’s most impactful nonprofit organizations were helped along their way. We thought we’d give you a look at the gifts you have given to the lives of these organizations.

Before September 19, 2011, uninsured residents of Greater Bluffton and Jasper County had no affordable option when it came to health and wellness care. Eight years ago, with the support of Community Foundation of the Lowcountry, Bluffton Jasper County Volunteers in Medicine opened its doors. Today, the all-volunteer free medical clinic provides medical exams, counseling and nutritional services as well as preventative disease education to over 2,000 eligible uninsured residents. Families who previously did not have access to health care are now being educated to make healthy lifestyle choices, to participate in their own health and wellness care and to pass this knowledge on to their children. Bluffton Jasper County Volunteers in Medicine is a gift that keeps on giving to its patients, our workforce and our community.

Programs for Exceptional People (PEP) was organized in 1995 by six local families for the purpose of creating programs, social interaction and, ultimately, employment for their adult children who had intellectual disabilities. These young adults had completed their formal education and were living at home unable to secure employment and/or engagement in the greater community. There were no services at the time for residents of Bluffton and Hilton Head Island living with intellectual disabilities. PEP was incorporated on December 11, 1995, and was initially funded by a grant from Community Foundation of the Lowcountry. Today, PEP provides a supportive environment where members participate in daily learning activities, receive on-the-job training with experienced staff vocational instructors at local businesses and provide services to the community through contract work and micro-businesses. Without PEP, the lives of adults who live with intellectual disabilities in our community would look very different.

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“The Community Foundation’s financial support has been absolutely essential for PEP since our inception in 1995. Thank you so much for your 23 years of support of our organization.”
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Historic Mitchelville Freedom Park

During the final months of the Civil War, Hilton Head Island became the headquarters for the Union Army under the command of General Ormsby Mitchel. When the war ended, General Mitchel deeded the land that had housed his troops to the island’s newly freed slaves, and the town of Mitchelville — the first self-governed town by formerly enslaved people in the United States — was born.

Today, Historic Mitchelville Freedom Park (HMFP) — was born. Established in 2010, with help from Community Foundation of the Lowcountry, as the Mitchelville Preservation Project, the mission of HMFP is to preserve, promote and honor Historic Mitchelville, its people and their heritage as well as its groundbreaking place in history. Both this mission and the Community Foundation’s working partnership with HMFP continue today.

The Sandbox

With miles of pristine beaches around every corner, what did the Lowcountry need with a sandbox? Thirteen years ago, five local women had a good idea, and they ran with it. The result was The Sandbox, A Hilton Head Area Children’s Museum — the only hands-on interactive children’s museum in the Lowcountry of South Carolina. With the support of the Community Foundation, The Sandbox founders’ vision to create a place where families can gather and play, and children can develop their growing intellectual knowledge and social skills has served the Lowcountry well. The nonprofit’s list of programs and services has grown, like the sandbox? Thirteen years ago, five local women had a good idea, and they ran with it. The result was The Sandbox, A Hilton Head Area Children’s Museum — the only hands-on interactive children’s museum in the Lowcountry of South Carolina. With the support of the Community Foundation, The Sandbox founders’ vision to create a place where families can gather and play, and children can develop their growing intellectual knowledge and social skills has served the Lowcountry well. The nonprofit’s list of programs and services has grown, like the

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Local business leader Allen Ward headed the Community Foundation board's leaders in that region over the last 45 years. Being named by Charleston Magazine as one of the 45 most influential Carolinians and nationally, and has received numerous accolades, including the prestigious HUD Secretary’s Award, which recognizes public philanthropic partnerships that successfully find solutions to urban community issues. But more importantly, these efforts have made — and will continue to make — a difference in the lives of Hilton Head Island families.

Today, nearly 200 families who once relied on septic systems, that can wreak havoc on our environment and on the lives and health of the families and their neighbors, are connected to public sewer. And we’re not done: Through Project SAFE, many families will be able to connect in the future as their septic systems fail.

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We thank our partners and the generous donors who joined us in this initiative. This has truly been a community effort!

Kerrigan has 30 years of experience in not-for-profit fundraising, administration, marketing and service delivery, including serving for 20 years as president and CEO of Trident United Way for the tri-county region (Berkeley, Charleston and Dorchester Counties in South Carolina).

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Community Imprint.

• Geechee Heritage.
• Gullah History and Heritage.
• Arts Center of Coastal Carolina
• Sweetgrass Baskets: Weaving for Preserving Gullah Culture
• The Boys and Girls Club
• Travelers Choice Foundation
• Rural Lowcountry Sisters (PEARLS) Heritage & History Project.
• Coastal Discovery Museum
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• Charleston Music Project
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• Palmetto History and Heritage
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• Avery C. Thompson, Sr. Community Fund
• Summer Reading 2019 “Soaring Through the Universe.”
• Charleston Museum
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• Charleston Regional Chamber
• Greater Faith International Ministries
• Arts Center of Coastal Carolina
• Five Stars Foundation for Assisting with the Needs of Our Hampton County Citizens.
• Coastal Discovery Museum
• AVP Foundation for the Arts
• Hilton Head Public Service District
• Rural Lowcountry Sisters (PEARLS) was established in 2006 to fulfill the mission of connecting women who care with causes that matter. With a charitable investment of $100 or more annually, women from around the Lowcountry help to grow the PEARLS of Hampton County Fund. Contributions are distributed to nonprofit organizations recommended by the members and are used to build an endowment. In addition, PEARLS members are involved in a variety of activities ranging from event planning to membership building.

Since its inception in 2003, WIP has built an endowment of over $1 million, and since 2006, the charitable organization has awarded more than $518,000 in grants to nonprofit organizations throughout Beaufort County. In 2019, WIP awarded grants totaling $74,200 to support its theme of Preserving Our Lowcountry Heritage and History.

Five years ago, we partnered with Hilton Head Public Service District and the Town of Hilton Head Island in an initiative to connect low-income families to the public sewer system. Our $3 million Project SAFE (Sever Access For Everyone) fundraising campaign launched, the Town of Hilton Head Island provided funding and donated land for the improvements and P LSD laid new lines and began construction of new lift stations.

Women in Philanthropy (WIP) is a group of local women dedicated to making a difference in the Lowcountry through the power of collective giving. WIP is dedicated to the philosophy that it’s not enough to just change the face of philanthropy, the Women in Philanthropy Fund is an endowed giving circle fund that continues to grow in perpetuity. The Fund is invested prudently and provides grants to help strengthen families and individuals in the areas of arts and culture, community development, education, the environment, health and human services.

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Today, nearly 200 families who once relied on septic systems, that can wreak havoc on our environment and on the lives and health of the families and their neighbors, are connected to public sewer. And we’re not done: Through Project SAFE, many families will be able to connect in the future as their septic systems fail.

These efforts brought national attention. In 2017, we received the prestigious HUD Secretary’s Award, which recognizes public philanthropic partnerships that successfully find solutions to urban community issues. But more importantly, these efforts have made — and will continue to make — a difference in the lives of Hilton Head Island families.

We thank our partners and the generous donors who joined us in this initiative. This has truly been a community effort!

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NEW FUNDS IN 2019

The following funds were established in fiscal year 2019 and bring our total number of funds to over 360.

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family foundation, with grant recommendations made by the donor. These funds support specific organizations, projects and
programs of nonprofit organizations in support of the charitable
interests of the donor.

JMC Charitable Giving Fund: a donor advised fund
George and Barbara Paletta Charitable Fund: a donor advised fund
Popky Family Fund: provides grants in support of the charitable interests of the John and Patricia Popky Family.
Ryley Charitable Fund: a donor advised fund
See Turtle Fund: a donor advised fund

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The George and Janet Brown endowed fund: a designated endowed fund established through a planned gift.
Mr. and Mrs. George Riddle: a donor advised fund for support of natural resources and maintenance of Wildpark for community use and support of our campus community.
Sandbox Children’s Museum Building Fund: provides support for the development of the children’s museum facility for The Sandbox Children’s Museum, located within the Lowcountry Celebration Park, supporting education, family and visitor inclusion.
Friends of White Stallion Farm: to sustain a collaborative effort by Beaufort, South Carolina residents to provide new home to the White Stallion Farm, a therapeutic riding center for children and youth with special needs.
Dianne K. Hopstetter Charitable Fund 2018: provides support for the mission and programmatic work of the Holy Face Project and of the wounds and powerful increase of Jesus’ presence in our world in forming an inclusive initiative to support all people.
Margaret P. Schellerup Support Fund: provides support for community members with Parkinson’s disease and their families, and for the research and care of Parkinson’s disease.
JMLE Charitable Fund: provides support to organizations engaged in creating new opportunities and solving the needs of the underserved populations.
Margaret P. Schellerup Support Fund: supports the work of an organization that is engaged in making a difference in communities by making changes happen in disease treatment.
Margaret P. Schellerup Support Fund: provides support in support of Catholic USA, a leading global nonprofit organization whose mission is to support and build communities in the U.S. and the world to bring people supplies when natural disaster or political conflict devastates a region.
Strub Family Fund 2019: provides grants in support of organizations designated by the Strub Family.
University of South Carolina Beaufort Education Foundation Fund: provides support for the University of South Carolina Beaufort Education Foundation.
Highland Water Sailing Foundation Fund: provides support for the organization’s mission, projects and programs of Recreation Beaufort, a collaborative effort by Beaufort, South Carolina residents.
Riparian River Fund: provides support for the river and its tributaries in the Lowcountry, including the beloved estuaries, and restored estuaries, of the Beaufort River, the Blackwater River, and the Edisto River.
Riparian River Headquarters Fund: provides support for the mission and operation of the Riparian River Headquarters, established with a mission of supporting Riparian River Headquarters located in Beaufort, South Carolina.
LDG of the Lowcountry Fund: provides grants and donations in support of the programs and services of TDSC. The mission of TDSC is to bring “healthy ways of serving” to the Lowcountry to inspire intellectual curiosity, continuous learning and promote community well-being.
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The COMBINED FINANCIALS section of the document presents financial data for the years 2019 and 2018. The ASSETS section includes information on cash and cash equivalents, marketable securities, restricted assets, and deferred contributions. The LIABILITIES section details total liabilities and net assets. The NET INCOME-UNRESTRICTED section shows contributions received, net realized gains/losses, and rental income. The EXPENSES AND SUPPORT section lists grants paid, program expenses, and professional and administrative fees. The NET ASSETS section shows the changes in net assets and net assets at the end of the year.

The ABOUT US section includes the names of the board of directors for 2019 and 2020, as well as the community foundation of the Lowcountry's staff. The ACKNOWLEDGMENTS section thanks various individuals and organizations for their support and contributions. The CONSULTANTS section lists legal counsel, independent auditors, and investment consulting firms.

The NO MAN IS A FAILURE WHO HAS FRIENDS. statement is a note of encouragement for readers to visit the website of the Community Foundation of the Lowcountry.
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