

SUMMER 2018

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Celebration of Community Save the Date



When: **Monday, October 29, 2018 | 6 pm**

Where: **The Dillard House
768 Franklin St., Dillard, GA 30537**

We hope you will make plans to join us as we celebrate philanthropy across our region and take our Celebration of Community event on the road. This year we are excited to be in Rabun County where we will have a special recognition of the Lake Rabun Association as well as other community programs.

For ticket, event and sponsorship information visit ngcf.org/celebration-of-community or give us a call at 770-535-7880.

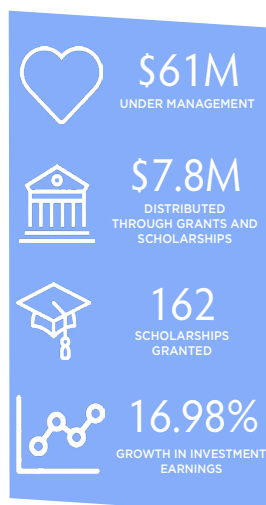


Annual Report 2017

Growing the Spirit of Giving in North Georgia

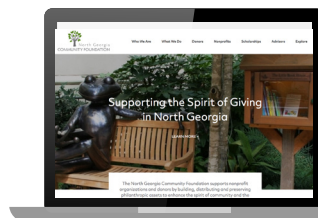
Our 2017 annual report was inspired by the potential we see to grow the spirit of giving across our region and highlights the exciting progress toward shaping our community into a better place today and for generations to come.

We invite you read the full report at ngcf.org.



Check Out Our New Website

If you have not already, we encourage you to visit ngcf.org and explore our new web site. The freshly designed site better aligns with our branding and aims to better serve you and the community with a more user-friendly experience. It highlights our main focus areas, provides users with easy access to information about NGCF and giving opportunities, and still allows our donors easy access to updates on their funds.



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Humane Society of Northeast Georgia



Since 1913, the Humane Society of Northeast Georgia (HSNEGA) has been serving the animals and residents of the northeast Georgia region with vital animal welfare services and recently added a Healthy Pet Clinic to its offerings after seeing a marked increase in the demand for basic wellness services for pets over the past eight years.

HSNEGA Executive Director Julie Edwards introduced the idea for the new clinic to local philanthropists and animal lovers, Murray and Daphne David, who stepped up to the plate with a significant donation to create what is now known as the Christian-David Healthy Pet Clinic.

"We did it so more people can have the joy of having animals," said Daphne David. "Also, it's better for the community if all animals are rabies-vaccinated and spayed and neutered. It gives more people the chance to get those puppy licks and kitten purrs."

In the first month, the Christian-David Healthy Pet Clinic served more than 1,110 canines, 165 felines and 912 pet owners. The new clinic allows HSNEGA to better serve people and their pets with its low-cost wellness and preventive care services to keep pets happy, healthy and, most importantly, in a loving home.

"The cost of caring for pets can be crippling for those living on low or fixed incomes. It is an unfortunate reality that people have to choose between food and medication for themselves or food and medication for their beloved pet," said Edwards. "We don't think people should have to make those choices."

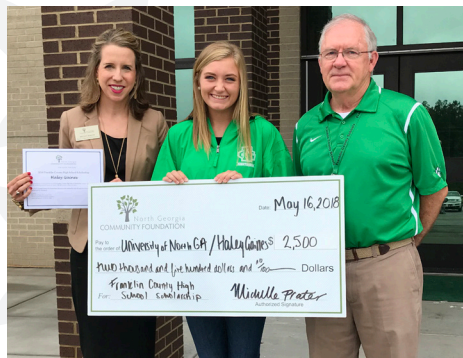
HSNEGA set up their LIFESAVER Fund with NGCF in 2017 to begin saving for future capital needs as well as the beginnings of an endowment to sustain the organization's mission for years to come.

"The Community Foundation is an incredible resource for nonprofits throughout our region," said Edwards. "We are incredibly proud to be able to partner with them and their supporters to bring needed, positive change to our community."

"The Clinic is designed to be low-cost but there is no income restriction for clients. It is open Tuesday-Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and one Saturday a month. For more information on the Christian-David Healthy Pet Clinic or any of the programs and services of the Humane Society of Northeast Georgia, visit humanesocietyofnortheastgeorgia.org

An Investment in Our Youth

With more than 50 scholarship funds available for local youth, we are committed to partnering with donors to establish opportunities for students to continue their education and pursue their dreams. This year, we were honored to award 102 new scholarships to students like Haley Gaines to attend colleges across the country. Our donors know completing post-secondary education is one of the best ways for individuals to improve their lives and ultimately their communities, but we always love hearing from our scholarship recipients on how their awards will help them on their journey.



I am honored and humbled to receive the 2018 Franklin County High School NGCF Scholarship. I am so grateful that this scholarship will help continue my education to pursue my dream of becoming a nurse practitioner. Thank you again for believing in me!

Hailey Gaines

Megan Martin, NGCF Director of Marketing & Development, and **Marty Williams**, Franklin County High School Counselor, **present Hailey Gaines with a \$2,500 scholarship from the Franklin County High School Scholarship Fund.** This fund was established by an anonymous donor to benefit graduating seniors at Franklin County High pursuing higher education.

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