New Fund for the Foundation

Walker Area Community Foundation is pleased to announce the creation of the Dr. Bobby T. and Betty Hooks Underwood Fund.

Dr. and Mrs. Underwood met in Savannah, GA while he was stationed there in the U.S. Air Force and she was teaching school. They married in 1957 and had two children Betsy and Buddy.

Dr. Underwood served Walker County as a dentist for many years. Upon retirement, the Underwoods began a second career as the owners of Dreamland BBQ. Managed by their daughter Betsy, Dreamland has grown tremendously, and restaurants can be found throughout the Southeast. Buddy has followed in his dad’s footsteps as a dentist with a practice in Gardendale.

Giving back to the community has always been important to the Underwoods. “Anytime you can help the community, you want to do it. I think it is great to give to nonprofit organizations that are helping others. Bobby and I always enjoyed giving together before he passed away and I know it would please him very much to know that we now have a fund that will support our community.”

Community Foundation Awards
$562,947 in Grants

“The Walker Area Community Foundation will never be solely focused on education, healthcare, the arts or any single interest, because our grantmaking will always be attentive to the greatest needs and opportunities in our community”, said Paul Kennedy, President of the Community Foundation. For more information on the Walker Area Community Foundation go to wacf.org.

The investment the Walker Area Community Foundation and its Donor Advised Funds makes in our community is important to overall community health. The Foundation recently awarded $562,947 to the following organizations:

The Alabama Kiwanis Foundation RIF Program received a grant that will enable distribution of books to at-risk Head Start and Pre-K students in Walker County. CF

The Alabama Symphony Orchestra grant provides musical education for area students. CF, BDTF

The American Red Cross received a grant to support disaster assistance in Walker County for families devastated by home fires. CF, DDFF

Backyard Blessings received funding for their weekend backpack feeding program for food insecure students. LSF

The funds awarded to the Birmingham Zoo will support the building of the Alabama Wilds Habitat for the Red-Tailed Hawk. CF, BF, DDFF

Boys and Girls Clubs of Central Alabama received funding for their Walker County Project Learn program, providing after school activities, tutoring, and mentoring support for local students. CF, TDLF

Capstone Rural Health Center.

Capstone Rural Health received a grant for development and implementation of their new addition recovery program. CF, LDF, TDLF, DDFF
The Carl Elliott Regional Library grant will make improvements to their community room and enhance children’s services. CF, RFF, BF

C.A.S.T. for Kids Foundation received funds to support their annual fishing event for special needs children and youth. LSF

City of Lights Dream Center funding supports their women’s recovery treatment program. CF, LDF, TDLF, DDFF

The Daily Mountain Eagle Shoe Fund received a grant for their annual shoe giveaway. LSF

Dilworth Church of God was awarded a grant to purchase a new food delivery truck to support their community food pantry. CF, DDFF

Full Life Ahead Foundation was funded for their Plan for Success Program, supporting clients with disabilities. CF, BF

Impact Alabama’s program FocusFirst Vision Care provides a cost-effective direct response to the vision care problems of children who live in urban and rural poverty in Alabama. With this grant, all students in Walker County Head Starts and lower-income daycares are screened for vision problems. CF

Indian Creek Youth Camp received a grant to help rebuild facilities that have fallen into disrepair. CF, DDFF

The Jalayah Hackman Foundation received funding to support their mentoring and tutoring programs, designed to enrich the lives of area youth. CF

Jasper City Parks and Recreation received a grant to support special needs swimming and Dream Team Sports. LSF

Kid One Transport System will use their grant to fund a driver and provide vehicle fuel and maintenance for round-trip transportation to medical appointments for children and expectant mothers from the Walker County area. CF, LDF

Kids Loving Kids provides personal needs, school supplies, and Christmas gifts to area children and youth. CF, LSF

Magic Moments grants wishes to chronically ill children in Alabama. This grant award will fund Magic Moments for two Walker County clients and their families. CF, DTSF, LSF

Mission of Hope aids families during the holidays with food boxes, clothes, shoes, and toys, and this grant will support the Thanksgiving/Christmas giveaway this year. CF

People First of Walker County supports advocacy activities for people with disabilities. LSF

The Pregnancy Test and Resource Center received a grant to provide services and education for pregnant women in Walker County and surrounding areas, in an effort to reduce infant mortality rates. CF

Funding for Sight Savers America provides a children’s eye care program, low vision program, vision-screening program, & health screening program, in area schools. CF, BF, DDFF

Smile A Mile Place and their Hospital Outreach Program brings life-enriching programs to the Hematology/Oncology patients at Children’s of Alabama. Funding also supports their family programs and services. CF

UAB School of Nursing was funded to support the Nurse-Family Partnership of Central Alabama, which provides prenatal care for at-risk pregnant women and newborns. CF

Walker County Board of Education received a grant to purchase AEDs for their schools, and to purchase new books for the Valley Junior High School library. CF, BF, RFF

Walker County Christian Chorus presents the classical music work Handel’s “Messiah” in Walker County to open the Christmas season. This presentation offers singers the opportunity to perform for many individuals who otherwise would not be exposed to the performing arts. This grant award supports the hiring of the orchestra. CF, PDDF

Youth Advocate Programs received funding for the Trauma-Informed Social-Emotional Learning Interventionist Pilot Program at Sumiton Elementary. This program works with students who are exposed to at-home trauma. CF, BDTF, DTSF, LDF, PDDF, EMFF
Youth Leadership Walker County 2019-2020

Youth Leadership Walker County, a partnership of the Chamber of Commerce of Walker County, Bevill State Community College and the Walker Area Community Foundation, recently announced its Class of 2019-2020. The following students were chosen based on an application process and will learn valuable leadership skills inspiring them to cultivate ongoing involvement with their community.

The Community Foundation offers the students an opportunity to become grantmakers as they conduct their own grant review process. They receive grant applications from area nonprofits and school clubs, review the applications, conduct site visits and determine how to give away the $10,000 invested in them through the Foundation.

Congratulations to our newest class:

Allison Kaylee “Alli Kay” Alvis  Jasper High School
Madison “Maddie” La’Sha Aycock  Dora High School
“Lilly” Cameron Bogardus  Jasper High School
“Cheyanne” Rena Busby  Oakman High School
Victoria “Skye” Clecker  Oakman High School
“Allie” Ryan Downs  Oakman High School
“Noah” Weslee Ferguson  Oakman High School
“Jillian” Lou Curganus  Oakman High School
“McCarty” Bjaryn Hagar  Sumiton Christian High School
“Haley” McKenzie Hann  Jasper High School
“Skyle” Jae Hartley  Jasper High School
“Anna” Katherine Howton  Jasper High School
“Morgan” Ciera Humphries  Jasper High School
“Gabrielle” Faith Jent  Sumiton Christian High School
“Emily” Grace Keeton  Carbon Hill High School
“Emma” Kapreece Knott  Jasper High School
“Sadee” Marie Lay  Dora High School
“Garrett” Lynn Lomoro  Oakman High School
“Katelyn” Denise Makemson  Oakman High School
Anna “Claire” Martin  Sumiton Christian High School
Jeffrey “Sam” Martin  Jasper High School
“Abbay” Lynn Mauldin  Oakman High School
“Hunter” Cole Miller  Cordova High School
Miles “Griffin” Myers  Terri Drummond Lyon Fund
Gwynnevere “Elizabeth” Nunnally  Jasper High School
“Amelia” Caroline Poolos  Dora High School
Virginia “Ginny” June Posey  Carbon Hill High School
“Ashlee” Nicole Roberts  Jasper High School
Jonathan “Coleman” Sapp  Jasper High School
“Mayson” Keon Slaughter  Oakman High School
Samuel “Sam” Griffin Smith  Oakman High School
Hallie Grace “Gracie” Spivy  Carbon Hill High School
“Reaghan” Danielle Thomason  Jasper High School
Ian “Gaige” Tittle  Carbon Hill High School
Anna Elizabeth “Libby” Tucker  Jasper High School
“Nicole” Villavicencio-Garduno  Jasper High School
“Kaylee” Cyan Wakefield  Jasper High School
“Mary Helen” Williams  Jasper High School
“Brooklyn” Alexis Wilson  Jasper High School

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Boys and Girls Clubs
2019 ANNUAL LUNCHEON

TELL YOUR STORY

A Story of Opportunity ... Rachel Puckett

A Story of Preparation ... Paul Kennedy

Plant Seeds of Hope

A Story of the Unexpected ... Tina Aaron, Keynote Speaker

A Story of Worth
The Bankhead House & Heritage Center

2020 Exhibit Schedule

Walker Area Community Foundation presents

Walker County Artist Showcase-Phase 2
January 28-April 17
Opening Reception: January 28, 2:00pm-4:00pm
A diverse representation of varied art mediums, do not miss the work of these talented artists.

Camp McDowell: A Walk Through 97 Years (1923-2020)
May 5-July 17
Opening Reception: May 5, 2:00pm-4:00pm
Come see and be inspired by the stories, people, artifacts and programs from the Folk School, Environmental Center, Magnolia Nature School, Farm School, Conference Center, Summer Camps and Retreats!

Celebrating our Communities: Chapter 4
August 11-January 1, 2021
Opening Reception: August 11, 2:00pm-4:00pm
Featuring artifacts from America, Corona, Gorgas, Martin, Parrish, Patton, and Oakman

Alabama’s History of Native Americans a Big Success!
In July-September, the Bankhead House & Heritage Center was honored to exhibit the collection of Wheeler Pounds. Mr. Pounds is well known in Walker County as a historian and local collector.

The exhibit had several sections telling the story of Native Americans in our area and Alabama including:

- A history timeline of the Native Indians of Alabama from 10,000 BC: The first indigenous people were of the Paleo-Indian culture who lived in caves and were nomadic hunters to when the Creek War (1813–1814) erupted in Alabama and Georgia.

- Artifacts from each time period.

- Items used in daily life including spear points, a rain stick, handmade flute, talking stick, tools, pottery pots, effigies and arrowheads.

- School groups learned how to make fire and how to use primitive knives made of antlers, leather and stone.

We had approximately 1,800 visitors and 650 students view the exhibit representing 15 States. Thank you, Wheeler for sharing of your knowledge, time and artifacts with your community!

Future Exhibits Showcasing our Local Communities

2021 Celebrating our Communities: Chapter 5
Featuring artifacts from Barney, Cordova, Gardner’s Gin and Quinton
Exhibit: January 26-June 11 | Opening Reception: Tuesday, January 26 at 2:00p-4:00p

2022 Celebrating our Communities: Chapter 6
Featuring artifacts from Boldo, Curry, Empire, Slipsey, South Lowell, Sunlight and Union Chapel
Exhibit: January 25-June 10 | Opening Reception: Tuesday, January 25 at 2:00p-4:00p

2023 Celebrating our Communities: Chapter 7
Featuring artifacts from Winston County
Exhibit: January 24-June 9 | Opening Reception: Tuesday, January 24 at 2:00p-4:00p

BHHC Hours: Tuesday–Friday 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m. and the third Saturday of each month 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. Admission is FREE Please call ahead to schedule a tour appointment for groups of 10 or more people.
HONORARIUMS: July 1st – November 30th

Carol and Jim Alexander
Charlotte and Ray Pugh

Jim Alexander
Pam and Kevin Callahan
Cristy and Lincoln Moody
Debbie and Joey Sanders
Beth and Rick Stukes

Anne and Jack Allen
Ella and Elmer Swanson

Robbin Reed Allen
Cheri Russell

Camille and Fred Bush
Jill and Kelly Raines

Kathy Byars
Consensus Club

Kay Byars' Birthday
Gene Birdsong
Jane Pounds
Helen Moses
Jeanette and Pete* Smith

Pam and Kevin Callahan
Robbin and Anthony Allen
Martha and Robert Svoboda

Josephine Davis's Birthday
Jane Pounds

Billie Ruth Drummond's Birthday
Kay Byars
Euna Mae Gambrell

Miss Louise Elizabeth Globetti
Karen and Chip Globetti

Melissa Guthrie
Betty Underwood

Judy Hager's Birthday
Jeanette and Pete* Smith

Barney Hamner
Karen and Chip Globetti

Rev. Robin Hinkle
Katie and Harris Rhodes

Annette and Joe Kelley
Joette and Stephen Brown

Paul Kennedy
Bob Boylan

Lisa Killingsworth
Pam and Kevin Callahan

Becky May
Mallory Gray

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Cheri Russell

John T. Oliver, Jr.
Elizabeth and Shane Weber

The Honorable Jerry Selman
Lucy and Bill Richardson
Jeanette and Pete Smith

Carla Simmons
Deckie Buccilli

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Jerry Cain Byars
Gene Birdsong
Jeanette and Pete* Smith

Steve Byars
Barbara and Howard Graham

Montae Cain
Joyce Benington
Bart Black
Loronda and Bobby Davidson
Donna Laratta
Alice Short
Patsy and William Stricklin

Will Collins
Billy and Valinda Collins

Dorothy Crump
Alabama Independent Auto Dealers
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Byars Wright, Inc.
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Sylvia and John Crump
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Schreil and Mark Crump

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Kathern, Ollie and Olivia Hyche

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Terry Frazier
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Abbie Drummond

Maggie Giles
Katie and Harris Rhodes

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Bob Nolen

John Greene
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Mary Neil Hendrix
Pat and Keith Lewis

Philip Hudson
Karen and Steve Hudson

Mae and Travis Hudson Sr.
Karen and Steve Hudson

Martha Hutto
Walker Co HS Class of 1963

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Donna Laratta
Lucy and Bill Richardson
Deborah and David Zorbini

Charles Hayden James
Merry and Rick Lee

MEMORIALS: July 1st – November 30th

Austin Aaron
Jennifer and Toby Banks

Jennifer Aldridge
George E. Deavours

Ricky Allred
Merry and Rick Lee

Barry Banks
Abbie Drummond
Betty Underwood

Milton Banks
George E. Deavours

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Abbie Drummond
Lynn and Jerry Moseley
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George E. Deavours

Suzan Martin
Le Jardin Garden Club

James McLean Jr.
George E. Deavours

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Catherine and Louis Payne

Earl Mitchell
Diara Fowler

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Wayne Moore
Hunter’s Chapel Holy Church of Christ

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Connie and Grady Sparks

A new face at the Foundation
Harris Rhodes, Finance Manager

We are pleased to announce a new member to the Foundation team. Harris grew up in Jasper and attended Walker High School. He lettered 4 years in baseball for the Vikings and went on to the University of Mississippi where he decided to trade the baseball diamond for the rugby pitch.

After graduation from Ole Miss, he began his career at Regions Bank where he specialized in interest rate derivatives. Harris comes to the foundation with nearly two decades of finance and investment experience that range from operations to trade execution to balance sheet risk oversight, along with everything in-between.

He moved his family to Jasper in the summer of 2010, but still spent 60 hours a week in Birmingham. He missed the ability to be as involved in the community as he wanted. But in July 2019, that all changed and Harris truly came home. He is extremely excited to be part of the WACF team, offering his talents and putting them to work in his hometown.

Harris is married to Katie King originally from Birmingham, who teaches in the Jasper City School System. They have three children: Tucker (12), Thomas (8), and Ann Collier (6), along with two wire-haired griffons, Mollie and Meg. They live on Blackwater, and when not at the foundation, Harris loves to spend time with his family and friends in the great outdoors.
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- Stocks
- Bequests
- Individual Retirement Accounts & Other Retirement Plans
- Life Insurance Designation
- Charitable Remainder Trusts
- Charitable Gift Annuities
- Real Estate
- Build Your Own Plan
- Online Purchases: When you purchase online from Amazon, go to amazon.com/smile.
  Choose the Walker Area Community Foundation as your charity, and the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price from your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the Foundation.

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Contact the Foundation or your financial planner to help choose the method that is right for you!

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