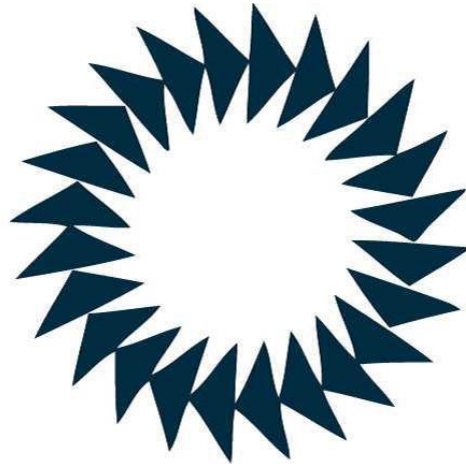


Impact Report

2016-2018



**FUND FOR
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Grantee Partners in Action



Message from the Board Chair and Executive Director

Dear Partners of the Fund,

It is with great pleasure that we present the Fund for Southern Communities' (FSC/The Fund) fiscal years 2016, 2017 and 2018 annual report. Thank you to our board members, FSC staff and volunteers who worked so hard to make the last three years successful and productive years for the fund. Your continued support is deeply appreciated. Over the three years, the Fund for Southern Communities continued to be a center for grassroots organizing and we were pleased to award over 145 grants in excess of \$480,000 to worthy organizations across our region.

The past three years have been both exciting and challenging. In 2016 we witnessed history as Secretary Hillary Clinton became the first female presidential candidate nominated by a major political party. While we were hopeful to make triple history, sadly, the electoral college fell short. However, America can be proud that a woman received the nomination and the popular vote (two out of three is not bad).

2017 was a bitter-sweet year for us. After almost 40 years, we witnessed our beloved Funding Exchange transition through the final stages of dissolution. With the dissolution of the Funding Exchange came the first \$1Million of the Fund's endowment. Additionally in 2017, we were honored to partner with Black Belt Community Foundation, Appalachian Community Fund and TruthSpeaks Consulting for the creation of the Southern Black Girls and Women's Consortium.

In 2018 the Southern Black Girls and Women's Consortium was awarded an \$860,000 one-year planning grant from the NoVo Foundation to design a model that will support the growing movement for Black girls in the Southeastern U.S. The planning grant will allow the consortium to partner with girls and those who support girls, in their work to design an infrastructure that will manage grant-making and additional capacities needed in the Southeast, while supporting and strengthening social movements for Black girls. In 2018, we also continued our partnership with the Annie E. Casey Foundation, awarding over \$135,000 for Youth, Economic Justice and Community Investment.

As FSC moves forward and approaches our 29th year of grant-making, we will remain true to our mission, "to create just and sustainable communities that are free of oppression and that embrace and celebrate all people." We could not do this critical work without your support. Thank you for being a part of what we do.

With best wishes and appreciation,



Darren Holmes

Board Chair



Alice Eason Jenkins

Executive Director





About Us

The Fund for Southern Communities is a public foundation that supports and unites organizations and donors working to create just and sustainable communities that are free of oppression and that embrace and celebrate all people.

Through grant-making and related activities the Fund for Southern

Communities fosters social change initiated by community-based groups in Georgia, North Carolina, and South Carolina. Since it began in 1981, FSC has awarded thousands of grants totaling over \$7 million. We work with small grassroots organizations that often are isolated from the larger movement networks and rely on individual volunteers – people directly affected by the injustices they are addressing.



**Our
Work**

Exciting News!



We are very pleased to announce our recent partnership with the Southern Black Girls and Women's Consortium, made possible by funding from the Novo Foundation. Through this new partnership we are helping to build the infrastructure that will ensure that black girls in the Southeast are supported and embraced by the philanthropic community.

Between 2016-2018 the Fund for Southern Communities awarded over **140** grants.

Our Work



Since 2016, The Fund for Southern Communities has awarded over **\$500,000** to organizations in Georgia, South Carolina, and North Carolina.

Giving Circles

Circle of Joy

ForHer

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Grant-Assisted Initiatives

Lakewood Community Initiative

Economic Justice Initiative

Community Investment Fund

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Our Funds

General Fund

Helen's Fund

Gaber Fund

Emergency Fund

Triangle Grassroots Fund

Modjeska Simkins Memorial Fund

Garber Community Empowerment Fund

Grantee Partners

2016

Alternate Roots	\$6,000
Benevolence Farm	\$1,000
Capitol View Manor Neighborhood Association	\$2,500
Center for Documentary Studies	\$2,000
Chosewood Park Neighborhood Association	\$2,500
Club Nova Community, Inc.	\$10,000
Community Blueprint Development Foundation, Inc.	\$2,500
Community Foundation of Greater Greensboro	\$1,000
Community Investment Network	\$300
Community Teen Coalition	\$3,000
CRU Atlanta Central Team	\$2,500
DGAP – Derrick George Arts Project	\$2,500
Democracy North Carolina	\$1,000
Democracy Now	\$1,000
Destiny Rock of Escape	\$2,500
Doctors Without Borders	\$1,000
Durham CAN	\$5,000
Evangelical Presbyterian Church	\$5,000
Florida Southern College	\$1,000
FCS/Focused Community Strategies	\$2,500
FCS Urban Ministries, Inc.	\$2,500
Foreverfamily, Inc.	\$5,000
GALEO Latino Community Dev. Fund	\$3,750
Georgia Clients Council	\$4,500
Georgia Micro Enterprise Network, Inc.	\$4,250
Georgia WAND Education Fund	\$1,000
Girls Rock Charleston	\$4,000
Healing Harts of Families USA	\$2,000
Hidden Voices	\$3,000
International Labor Rights Forum	\$1,000
Lakewood Amphitheater Community Finance Committee	\$1,500
Lakewood Oversight Committee	\$2,500
NC Arts In Action	\$2,000
Open Door Community	\$1,000
Our Common Wealth	\$2,500
Roselena's Community Development Center	\$2,500
Soulstrice Inc.	\$2,500
South River Gardens	\$2,500
Southern Center for Human Rights	\$1,000
Southern Neighborhoods Network, Inc.	\$3,000
The Peoples's Alliance Fund	\$5,000
United Charitable for Destiny Rock of Escape	\$2,500
Unique Golden Age Club	\$2,500
Volunteers for Youth	\$4,000
Women Advance	\$4,500
WomenNC	\$4,750

2017

9 to 5 Georgia	\$10,000
Adair Park Today, Inc.	\$5,000
Alternate Roots	\$6,100
Atlanta Jobs with Justice	\$20,000
BluePrint58	\$3,530
Boomerang Youth, Inc.	\$2,000
Bountiful Cities	\$500
Cambridge Heights Academy	\$2,500
Capital View Neighborhood Association	\$2,500
Caring for Others	\$2,500
Charleston Legal	\$1,500
Chosewood Park CDC	\$2,500
Citizen's Advocacy of Atlanta & DeKalb, Inc.	\$1,500
Citizens for a Healthy & Safe Environment	\$2,000
Community Investment Network	\$5,300
Companeros Inmigrantes de las Montanas en Accion	\$2,000
CRU Atlanta Central Team	\$2,500
Delia Jovel Dubon Project	\$1,000
Democracy North Carolina	\$1,000
Dispute Settlement	\$5,000
Doing Good Among People	\$2,500
Evangelical Presbyterian Church	\$5,000
FCS Urban Ministries	\$2,500
Friends of South Bend Park	\$2,500
Full Frame Documentary	\$3,000
Glocal Soul Edutainment	\$1,000
Housing Justice League, Inc.	\$15,000
Image Fathers Advisory Group	\$5,000
Iron 2 Iron	\$4,000
Kids R Special, Inc.	\$5,000
Lakewood Amphitheater Community Finance Committee	\$1,500
Lakewood Finance Committee	\$2,500
Latino Advocacy Coalition	\$1,000
McDaniel Street Bowl	\$3,910
National Prostate Awareness Association	\$2,500
NC Against Gun Violence Education Fund	\$2,000
Oakshire Village	\$2,500
Our Common Wealth	\$2,500
Peopletown Revitalization Corporation	\$6,000
Perkerson Civic Association	\$2,500
Rae of Light Foundation, Inc.	\$5,000
Roselena's Community Development Center	\$2,500
SEED for South Ben Park	\$2,500
SEED, Inc.	\$2,500
Shadows of Light, Inc.	\$5,000
Solesdo Mexico	\$1,000
Soulstrice Inc.	\$2,500
South Atlanta Civic League	\$2,500
South River Gardens Community Association	\$5,000
Speaking Down Barriers	\$1,500
The Mayland Motivators	\$2,500
The W-Underdogs Inc.	\$5,000
Trinity Towers Residents	\$2,500
Unique Golden Age Club	\$2,500
United Charitable for Destiny Rock of Escape	\$2,500
WomenNC	\$5,000
YTL Training	\$1,000

2018

555 Of NPU-V	\$1,500
Adair Park Today	\$2,500
Alternate Roots	\$6,200
Automotive Training Center	\$4,514
Boomerang Youth, Inc.	\$1,000
Center for Documentary Studies	\$2,000
Chosewood Park Neighborhood Association	\$2,500
Center for Documentary Studies	\$2,000
Community Foundation of Henderson County	\$30,163
Community Investment Network	\$250
Community Movement Builders	\$2,500
DeKalb County Board of Health	\$2,500
Democracy North Carolina	\$1,000
Dispute Settlement Center, Inc.	\$10,000
Doing Good Among People	\$2,500
Evangelical Presbyterian Church	\$5,000
Focused Community Strategies	\$2,500
Grandma's Hands Outreach	\$5,000
Georgia Parent Support Network	\$2,500
Housing Justice League	\$2,500
Image Fathers Advisory Group	\$2,500
Lakewood Amphitheater Community Finance Committee	\$1,200
Lakewood Heights Community Association	\$2,500
Mothers Against Gang Violence	\$2,482
Music Education Group, Inc.	\$5,000
Nation Builders Conference, Inc.	\$4,000
National Prostate Awareness Association	\$1,000
Oakshire Village	\$2,500
One Community United	\$2,500
Our Children's Place	\$1,000
Our Common Wealth	\$2,500
Peace By Piece Movement Builders, Inc.	\$2,500
Shadows of Light, Inc.	\$5,000
Su-Kor, Inc.	\$5,000
South Atlanta Civic League	\$2,500
South River Gardens	\$2,500
Spartanburg Urban Ministry	\$2,500
Summerhill Community Ministries	\$5,000
The Soulstrice Center, Inc.	\$1,100
The Villages at Oakshire	\$2,500
Thomasville Heights Civic League, Inc.	\$2,500
Zion "Authentic You" Foundation	\$5,000

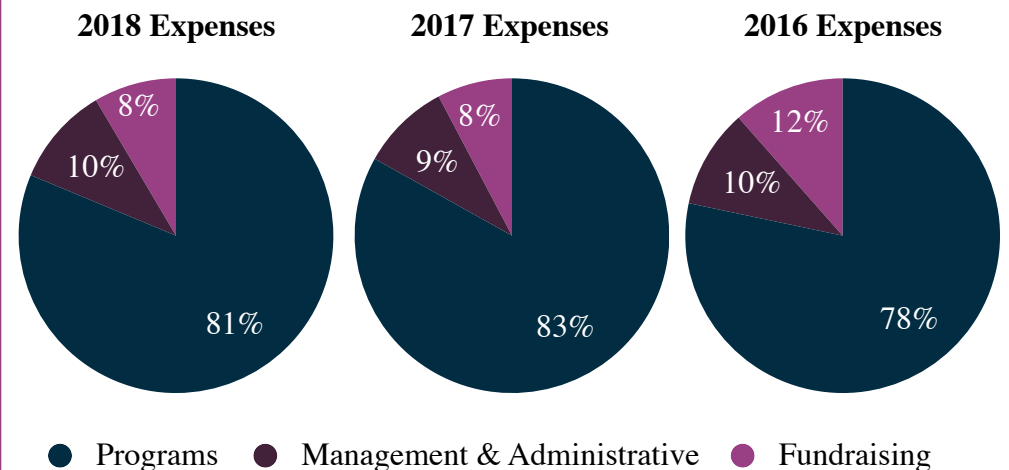
Financial Summary

Financial Position

	2018	2017	2016
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	764,205	158,035	52,838
Investments	606,312	494,386	380,286
Contributions receivable	54,317	20,060	60
Prepaid expenses	3,994	3,994	2,694
Total Current Assets	1,428,828	676,475	435,878
Endowment Assets	813,032	812,732	812,532
Deposit	2,100	2,100	
Total Assets	2,243,960	1,491,307	1,248,410
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable	36,659	38,076	8,736
Total Current Liabilities	36,659	38,076	8,736
Net Assets			
Unrestricted	668,466	20,868	43,935
Board Designated	77,569	71,738	64,356
Temporarily restricted	648,234	547,893	318,851
Permanently restricted	813,032	812,732	812,532
Total Net Assets	2,207,301	1,453,231	1,239,674
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	2,243,960	1,491,307	1,248,410

Financial Activity

	2018	2017	2016
Revenue & Support			
Contributions	895,285	323,274	67,690
Interest & dividends	16,902	16,049	12,917
Gain (loss) on investments	116,768	149,200	-84,438
Other revenue	1,328	630	284
Total Revenue	1,030,283	489,153	-3,547
Expenses			
Programs	224,503	229,075	159,435
Management & administrative	28,233	25,253	20,733
Fundraising	23,477	21,268	23,425
Total Current Liabilities	276,213	275,596	203,593
Net Assets			
Beginning of Year	1,453,231	1,239,674	1,446,814
End of Year	2,207,301	1,453,231	1,239,674
Net Change in Assets	754,070	213,557	-207,140



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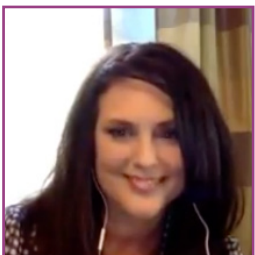


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“More than 35 years ago, the Fund for Southern Communities made its first grant awards in an effort to give a voice to grassroots groups working to solve deeply rooted problems. Today, we find great hope and encouragement in the remarkable victories for social change and economic justice that our grantees have won.”



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The Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) is the nation's oldest program to help low-income, unemployed individuals aged 55+ find work. AARP Foundation first matches eligible older job seekers with local nonprofits and public agencies so they can increase skills and build self-confidence, while earning a modest income. As a host agency for the last five years, FSC received invaluable assistance from more than eight participants.

We would like to express appreciation to the following SCSEP participants for their work between 2016 and 2018:

Kay Farah, Debra Fagan, Elizabeth McKinney, Carole Woodard, Dreda Mackey and Abdule Jaami Yamini. Thank You! Each of you Rock!

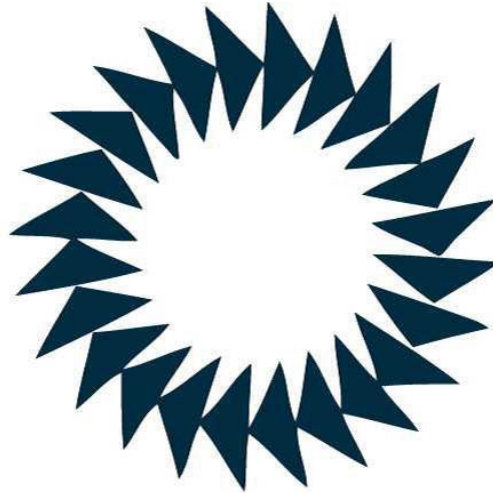
**Our
Team**



Remembering Joan P. Garner

Joan was the third Executive Director of the Fund for Southern Communities. Her passion for social justice, equality, and building healthy communities led her to a lifetime of public service. As an activist, community organizer, nonprofit leader, political representative, friend, and neighbor, Joan built a legacy of service that will be treasured.





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