



Impact Report 2019

Letter from the Board Chair

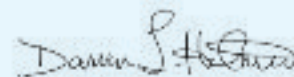
This has been a very exciting year for the Fund for Southern Communities (FSC/the Fund). Not only did we celebrate **28 years** of social justice grant-making, we also partnered with two other social justice foundations as co-founders of a major initiative for Southern Black Girls. The South is rising and FSC is proud to occupy a spot in supporting and creating “Change, Not providing Charity”.

We are pleased to have awarded over fifty grants, exceeding \$300,000 in fiscal year 2019, and we are aiming to more than double that in 2020. This fiscal year FSC provided critical support for grassroots groups working in the areas of workers' rights, environmental justice, youth and women's rights, LGBTQ rights and racial justice, to name a few. Recognizing that “teaching people to fish” reaps more lasting rewards than simply giving them fish to eat, FSC also offered several information and grant-writing workshops during the fiscal year. The financial and in-kind contributions, and technical assistance provided by staff helped to empower communities across Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina and several other southern states, in the struggles for social and economic justice and human rights.

We trust that after reading this annual report, you will further understand why it is so crucial that the Fund is able to continue to support the work of these organizations that are striving so hard for justice. We are committed for the long haul.

The significance of your contributions cannot be overstated. Our success is the result of the commitment and generosity of our donor community, board members, FSC staff, volunteers and our entire stakeholder population. The Fund for Southern Communities is pleased to present our 2019 annual report.

In Solidarity,



Darren Holmes
Board Chair



Mission Statement

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.

Anthony Burrell Dance Center Company



Sowing Seed



Music Education Groups 2018
It's Showtime at the Academies

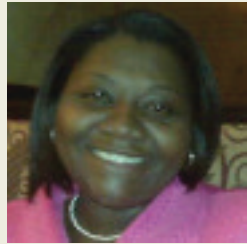


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Board of Directors



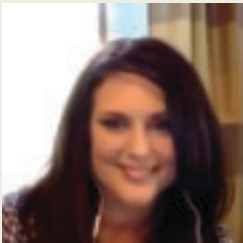
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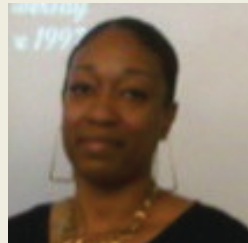
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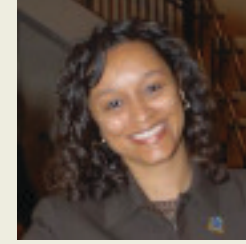


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Atlanta, Georgia

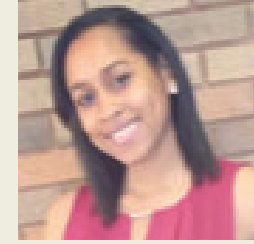


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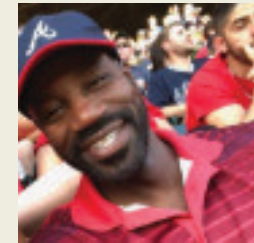
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AARP Worker

Funding Opportunities

Giving Circles

Circle of Joy
ForHer

Grant-Assisted Initiatives

Lakewood Community Initiative
Economic Justice Initiative
Community Investment Fund

Donor Advised Funds

Helen's Fund
Garber Fund
Garber Community Empowerment Fund

Our Funds

Emergency Fund
General Fund
Modjeska Simkins Memorial Fund
Southern Outlook
Southern Black Girls & Women's Consortium
Triangle Grassroots Fund



Grandma's Hands Outreach



Mothers Against Gang Violence



EcoAction



Diversity In Our Soccer



Center For Documentary Studies
Full Frame Documentary Film Festival

Donor Partners

Anonymous (3)
Maria Aguiar
AmazonSmile
City of Atlanta
Annie E. Casey Foundation
Dean Scott Attaway and Timothy Haas
William David Austin
Black Belt Community Foundation
Paul and Edith Babson Foundation
Roger Bakeman
Ellen J. Bass
Paul W. Beach, Jr
Laura Benedict and John Morris
Mitch and Linda Bollag
Rand and Elizabeth Brades
Jethro Bright
Rebecca Bright
Janice Bright
Oden and Marcia Borowski
LaTosha Brown
Thomas Campbell
Joan Campitelli
W. Imara Canady
Chonda Turner Carney
Rebecca Carr
Circle of Joy
Steve Clark and Shelia Kerrigan
Rob Cleveland
Edith Dee Cofrin
F C Cook

Gail Cowie
Lelia Crawford
Sheryll S. Dahlke
Priscilla N. Davis
Shelton and Jo Anne Earp
Derek Economy and Ann Walter
James Emshoff
Vivian Epps
Feig-Sandavol Family Foundation
Besty Fenhagen
Martha J Fessenden
Sandra Elizabeth Ford
ForHer
A Foundation of Philanthropic Funds
Hugh and Juanchella Francis
Funding Exchange
Shannon David Gaggero
Garber Fund
Pamela George
Georgia Shares
Network for Good
Laura Gordon
Leslie Graitcer
Rozelda Gray
Timothy Haas and Dean Scott Attaway
Charles Hacker
Anne Harper
Phillip S. Harper Foundation
Natasha Harrison
Shanon Hart

Lisa Haygood
Dennish Haynes
Healthcare Georgia Foundation, Inc.
Helen's Fund
Harvey and Emily Herman
Darren L. Holmes
W. Jefferson Holt
Richard Howard
Jennifer Howard & Jonathan Zimring
IBM
Joyce Jelks
Alice Eason Jenkins
Ava Johnson
George Johnson
April Jones
Travis Joshua
Raghav Kaushik
Shelia Kerrigan and Steve Clark
Kroger
Will Lana & Sarah Lana
Demetria Ledbetter
Liberty Hill Foundation
Live Nation
Lubo Fund
Shelley McGehee
Alan McGregor
Martha McPhail
Gerrish Milliken
Shelia M. Moore
Lakewood Amphitheater Fund
Lawrence B. and Claire Morse

Network for Good
NoVo Foundation
Akita Parmer
Edward and Florence Ridley
Diane Ridley Roberts
Memory of Fred Rossini
M K Sabel
Neith Sankofa
Charles Peter Schattner
Victor and Marion Schoenbach
SEEDTIME Fund
John and Rebecca Shockley
Social Justice Charitable Foundation
Alan Sokoloff and Michele Casper
Shemeka Sorrells
Debi Sterns
Joni Tabb
Dave Thomas
Peggy Thompson
Chonda Turner
Stephen Thomas and Carol Dreselly Thomas
Triangle Grassroots Fund
Gloria Webb
Krystal Webb
Joy Webb
David Austin Williams and Pamela George
Winky Foundation
Stephanie Van Parys
YourCause

Grantee Partners

A Friend Like Me, LLC	\$700	McDaniel Street Bowl	\$3,500
Adair Park Today	\$2,500	Mothers Against Gang Violence	\$2,482
Alternate Roots	\$5,500	Mothers Against Gang Violence	\$5000
Anthony Burrell Center for Dance	\$6,000	Music Education Group Inc.	\$2,500
BAMA KIDS Inc.	\$10,000	Music Education Group Inc.	\$6,000
Be Bold Coaching and Consulting	\$4,000	Nation Builders Conference, Inc.	\$2,000
Building Bridges Consulting LLC	\$5,000	Nation Builders Conference, Inc.	\$6,000
C.H.O.I.C.E.S	\$2,500	National Prostate Awareness Associations	\$3,000
Carver STEAM Academy	\$2,500	Our Common Wealth	\$2,500
Chosewood Park CDC, Inc.	\$2,500	Perkerson Civic Association	\$2,500
Circle Of Joy	\$10,000	PY Community	\$3,500
Communities in Schools of Candler County	\$4,000	RALI- Dillion County	\$1,500
Community Investment Network	\$350	Reintegration Support Network	\$5,000
Community Movement Builders, Inc.	\$10,500	RestoreHER US America, Inc.	\$10,000
Co-Thinkk	\$10,000	Savannah Chatham County Fair Housing Council	\$3,500
Diversity in our Soccer	\$2500	Shadows to Light	\$2,500
Empowered Swimming Incorporated	\$3,000	SisterLove, Inc.	\$10,000
Environmental Community Action	\$20,000	Soulstice Inc.	\$3,000
EveryBlackGirl, Inc.	\$1,000	South Atlanta Civic League	\$2,500
EveryBlackGirl, Inc.	\$10,000	South Atlanta Education Collective	\$1,500
Focused Community Strategies	\$2,500	South River Gardens Community Association	\$2,500
ForHer	\$10,000	Southern Rural Black Women's Initiative for Economic & Social Justice	\$10,000
Georgia Parent Support Network	\$2,500	Sowing Seeds into The Midlands	\$2,500
Georgia Shift	\$4,000	Summerhill Community Ministries	\$5,000
Grandma's Hands Outreach	\$5000	Technologists of Color	\$6,000
Grandma's Hands Outreach	\$2,500	The Center for Documentary Studies	\$8,000
HABSHA, Inc.	\$18,000	The Orchid Project	\$600
Image Fatherhood Advisory Group	\$5,000	The Villages at Carver Family YMCA	\$1,000
Image Fatherhood Advisory Group	\$2,500	The Villages at Oakshire	\$2500
Lakewood Amphitheater Community Finance	\$2,500	Youth Ensemble of Atlanta	\$18,000
Lakewood Heights Actions Team	\$2,422.25	Zion's Authentic You Foundation	\$6,000
Lakewood Heights Community Association	\$2500		

Affiliations

Farewell to Funding Exchange Funding Exchange (FEX)



Since 1979, FEX has been the backbone for a network of public grantmaking foundations located throughout the United States, with a national office in New York City. Vital to FSC since our very founding, the Funding Exchange member funds support each other and provide funding to some of the best organizing around the country. FEX was supported by individuals with a commitment to funding “Change, Not Charity”.

With very mixed emotions, we are very sad that the Funding Exchange was legally dissolved effective November 21, 2018. The Funding Exchange was a national network of social justice foundations created in 1979 by young activists with inherited wealth who had a “change, not charity” vision of how they felt their money could make a difference. The founding members pioneered a new approach to philanthropy that sought to redefine the power dynamics of giving, perhaps best represented by the policy of involving community activists in grant-making decisions.

Many of the member funds are still thriving. Contact information for each is below.

Funding Exchange Member Funds	www.fex.org
Appalachian Community Fund	www.appalachiancommunityfund.org
Bread and Roses Community Fund	www.breadrosesfund.org
Chinook Fund	www.chinookfund.org
Crossroads Fund	www.crossroadsfund.org
Foundation for Change	www.foundation4change.org
Fund for Idaho	www.fundforidaho.org
Fund for Santa Barbara	www.fundforsantabarbara.org
Fund for Southern Communities	www.fundforsouth.org
Haymarket People's Fund	www.haymarket.org
Hawai'i People's Fund	www.hawaiipeoplesfund.org
Headwaters Foundation for Justice	www.headwatersfund.org
Liberty Hill Foundation	www.libertyhill.org
McKenzie River Gathering Foundation	www.mrgfoundation.org
North Star Fund	www.northstarfund.org
Three Rivers Community Foundation	www.trcf.net
FCI's Wisconsin Community Fund	www.forwardci.org

Georgia Shares



Founded in 1992, given federal tax-exempt status in 1993 and Georgia tax-exempt status in 1995, the mission of Georgia Shares is to foster social change for all Georgians by raising funds from workplace-giving programs for its twenty member agencies whose services focus on HIV/AIDS, the arts, social change, and women's programs. Georgia Shares has one part-time staff person, and is governed by a Georgia-based board of directors that consists of a representative from member organizations and community members.

Current Partnering Agencies

AIDS Athens

Athens Area Habitat for Humanity

Athens Area Homeless Shelter

Athens Land Trust

BikeAthens

Charis Circle

Family Connection/Whatever It Takes

Feminist Women's Health Center

Fund for Southern Communities

Georgia Equality

Interfaith Hospitality Network of Athens

Raksha

The Health Initiative (Formerly Atlanta Lesbian Health Initiative)

Women's Resource Center to End Domestic Violence

AARP Foundation

Senior Community Service Employment Program

The Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) is the nation's oldest program to help low-income, unemployed individual's aged 55+ find employment. AARP Foundation matches eligible job seekers with local nonprofits and public agencies so they can increase skills and build self-confidence, while earning a modest income. We would like to express appreciation to the following SCSEP participant for his work over the last year: Abdul-Jaami Yamini. Thank You!!

Initiative

Southern Black Girls Funding Initiative

The Southern Black Girls and Women's Consortium has partnered with the [NoVo Foundation](#) to support the growing movement for Black girls in the Southeastern United States. A new collective of funders, activists, and community leaders is working to advance the movements for Black girls and women in the Southeast. The fund for Southern Communities has been in collaboration with the [Appalachian Community Fund](#), [Black Belt Community Foundation](#), and Truth Speaks Consulting to birth the Southern Black Girls and Women's Consortium.

The [Southern Black Girls and Women's Consortium](#) will co-create an infrastructure for regional grant-making and movement building, providing resources to locally-based organizations run by and working directly for black girls, including those outside of traditional non-profit organizations. For the past 18 months, the consortium has been partnering with girls and those who center 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.



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Financials

Fund for Southern Communities, Inc.

Statements of Financial Position

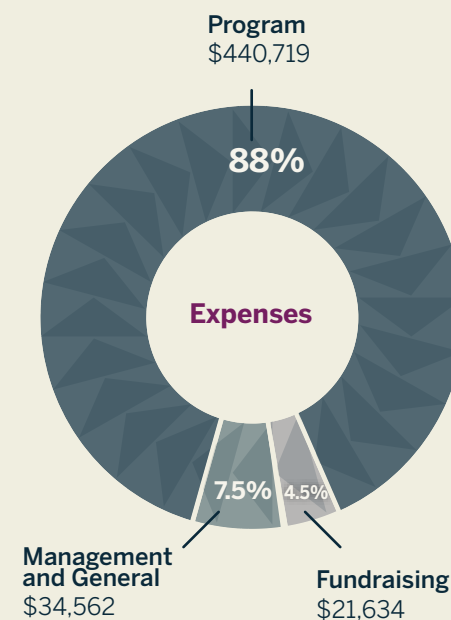
	As of June 30,	
	2019	2018
Assets		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 262,046	\$ 764,205
Marketable securities	1,381,190	606,312
Contributions Receivable	185	54,317
Prepays	3,994	3,994
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	1,647,415	1,428,828
Contributions Receivable		
Assets Restricted for Endowment (Note 1)	813,532	813,032
Furniture and Equipment	-	-
Deposit	2,100	2,100
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 2,463,047	\$ 2,243,960

	As of June 30,	
	2019	2018
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts payable and accruals	\$ 35,957	\$ 36,659
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	35,957	36,659
Other Liabilities		
TOTAL LIABILITIES	35,957	36,659
Commitments		
Net Assets		
Without Donor Restrictions	790,308	668,466
Board designated	80,627	77,569
With Donor Restrictions		
Restricted by purpose or time	742,623	648,234
Restricted in perpetuity	813,532	813,032
TOTAL NET ASSETS	2,427,090	2,207,301
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 2,463,047	\$ 2,243,960

Fund for Southern Communities, Inc.

Statements of Activity for the Year Ended June 30, 2019

	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total Net Assets
Public Support and Revenue			
Contributions	\$ 152,830	\$ 377,266	\$ 530,096
Interest and dividends	6,526	25,349	31,875
Gain (loss) on marketable securities	21,505	133,080	154,585
Other revenue	148	-	148
TOTAL PUBLIC SUPPORT AND REVENUE BEFORE TRANSFERS	181,009	535,695	716,704
Net Assets Released from Restrictions due to Satisfaction of donor-imposed requirements	440,806	(440,806)	-
TOTAL PUBLIC SUPPORT AND REVENUE	621,815	94,889	716,704
Expenses			
Program	440,719	-	440,719
Management and General	34,562	-	34,562
Fundraising	21,634	-	21,634
TOTAL EXPENSES	496,915	-	496,915
Net Changes in Net Assets	124,900	94,889	219,789
Net Assets			
Beginning of year	746,035	1,461,266	2,207,301
End of year	\$ 870,935	\$ 1,556,155	\$ 2,427,090



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