

Extra Wish

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY CATALOG FOR OUR DONORS | 2020 EDITION



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Give where you care and **MAKE A DIFFERENCE.**

2020 has been an especially hard year for our community and the nonprofit partners that serve it. In the face of the COVID-19 pandemic, they have seen skyrocketing need while grappling with reduced resources. Nonprofits in the region have risen to the challenge, many going above and beyond their mission. This year, we've seen educational organizations begin food distribution to families and racial equity organizations provide emergency funds.

That's why our Extra Wish opportunity catalog - and the 29 "wishes" it contains - are especially important in 2020. **You can make a difference for these nonprofits and the people they serve.** No matter what cause is closest to your heart, in the pages of Extra Wish, you will find ways to make a real, tangible and immediate impact with your giving.

Each wish represents items that the nonprofit needs but are often difficult to fund. While the amount requested may seem small - the maximum request is \$5,000 - the impact is huge. Through these wishes, nonprofits help to create community and change lives, especially right now.



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With Extra Wish, we highlight a diverse landscape of nonprofits for you, making it easy for you to support the ones that mean the most to you. Give a little or a lot - the choice is yours.

How to use Extra Wish

How you use Extra Wish is entirely up to you! Here are some ideas:

Engage your children or grandchildren.

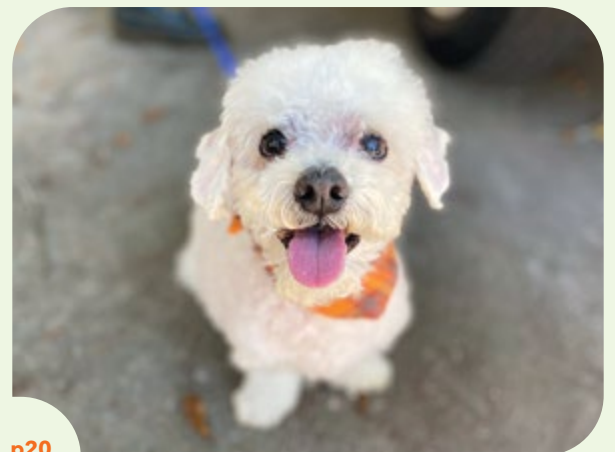
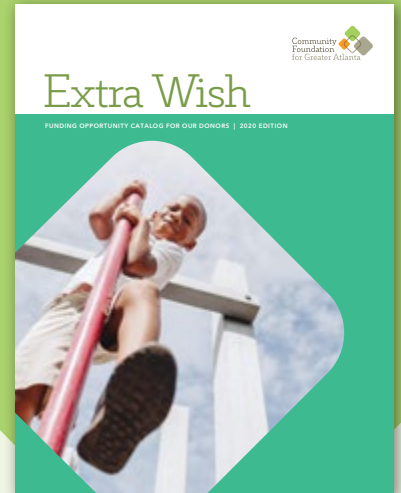
Often, it is easier for children to understand and empathize with real, tangible needs. Talk to them about each wish and why it is needed. Ask them to help you choose a wish to grant or let them pick one of their own to fund.

Interested in supporting organizations as they respond to COVID-19 in our region? Look for the ❄️ icon! We've indicated those wishes that are specifically related to COVID-19.

Join with others – work with your fellow donors to fund a wish and make a greater impact. You can reach out to your philanthropic officer to learn about wishes that have been partially funded.

Take some time to read through and **learn about organizations you might not be familiar with**, working in the areas that matter most to you.

Make it a family affair. Gather over a meal and go through our catalog together. Talk about what appeals most to everyone and why.



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How is 2020 different?

Stark inequities and widening income gaps between residents in our beloved city mean that when we're hit by economic and health crises like the COVID-19 pandemic, the shock is felt hardest by those who are already hurting.

Philanthropy has the power to shrink gaps in equity and expand opportunity in neighborhoods across the region, ensuring all people have access to opportunities to learn, work and thrive. Equity of opportunity requires partnership between us, donors like you, civic leaders and other institutions.

That is the driving force behind the Community Foundation's Equity of Opportunity Architecture, a combination of proven practices to combat the disparity in our region and increase economic and social mobility.



PROSPEROUS
People



STRONG
Families



THRIVING
Communities

This year's wishes are organized into three pillars:

Prosperous people - educational and vocational pathways for individuals, including early childhood education, post-secondary completion and career preparation and access

Strong families - essential elements for families of all shapes and sizes to live healthy, fulfilled lives including physical and mental health and quality youth development

Thriving communities - a commitment to strengthening civic voice while increasing affordable housing, transportation access and environmental justice

How to grant a wish

If you would like to grant an Extra Wish, please contact your philanthropic officer or log in to Donor Central to make your gift. In Donor Central, please note 'Extra Wish' in the purpose line. And, even if you decide to fund a wish outside your fund at the Community Foundation, please let us know so we can celebrate with you. If you have any questions or want to fulfill a wish, call us at 404.688.5525 or reach out to your philanthropic officer:

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How to grant a wish for COVID-19 pandemic response



2020 is a special year with special needs. Throughout Extra Wish, look for this symbol, which denotes a wish tied to nonprofit capacity needs to address the impact of the pandemic.

Prosperous People



All children are filled with potential. Yet no matter how smart, filled with the desire to succeed or hard they work, many children born in Atlanta's poorest neighborhoods will not advance beyond their current social and economic status due to the preexisting social determinants and inequities. The organizations in our prosperous people section focus on educational and vocational pathways for individuals – children and adults – including early childhood education, post-secondary completion and career preparation and access. Through these wishes, these organizations will help transform potential into reality.



THE BOYCE L. ANSLEY SCHOOL

Operating budget: \$1,293,000

Children and their educational futures are collateral damage of homelessness. In 2018 Atlanta Public Schools had more than 2,500 homeless students enrolled. The Boyce L. Ansley School (TAS) is the only tuition-free, private school for children who have experienced homelessness, helping families break the cycle of generational poverty through education and collaborative family support. In its first two years, 100% of the school's students showed significant individual improvement in social-emotional, literacy and math skills and, on average, missed less than 10 days of school. Because homelessness so often robs children of the valuable experience of play, TAS requests The Imagination Playground's Big Blue Blocks so that young scholars may experience an imaginative option for indoor play, as a supplement to the school's outdoor playground.

120 Ralph McGill Boulevard, Building 3, Suite 131, Atlanta, GA 30308 | theansleyschool.org

Wish List

Big blue blocks play equipment: \$4,975

Total: \$4,975


COMMON GOOD ATLANTA

Operating budget: \$64,700

Common Good Atlanta is a collective of over 70 college faculty from local universities that offers accredited college courses to people who are incarcerated. Each year, Georgia releases about 16,000 people from prison who often return to their communities with trauma from long prison sentences and the stigma of incarceration limiting them from jobs, education and even essential civil rights including voting. In 2019, Common Good launched a post-release, accredited college course program with wrap-around support including transportation, care giving and meals. The program has a less than 1% recidivism rate, far less than Georgia's 40% rate within five years of release. Common Good seeks computers and printers that will enable students to complete course assignments online due to COVID-19 distance learning requirements.

255 Matthews Avenue, Atlanta, GA 30307 | commongoodatlanta.com

Wish List

2 Office printers: \$460

15 Chromebook laptops: \$3,435

Total: \$3,895

LEKOTEK OF GEORGIA

Operating budget: \$800,000

We all have memories of playing with favorite toys. But imagine you're a child who can't use a toy because your mobility is restricted or you are hearing impaired? Lekotek uses adapted toys and devices for accessible play and learning to help children with disabilities gain academic and social skills and to experience success, often for the first time. Lekotek involves the whole family and provides services at home, school or at hospitals where children with disabilities learn and play alongside typical peers, fostering inclusion. Lekotek serves many children with sensory processing needs and seeks to create a sensory playroom at each of their sites to help children learn cause and effect, verbalizations and fine motor and cognitive skills.

1901 Montreal Road, Suite 126, Tucker, GA 30084 | lekotekga.org

Wish List

Relaxing sensory corner podium package: \$3,099

4 Floor tiles: \$876

Projector: \$529

Total: \$4,504

**LOS NIÑOS PRIMERO**

Operating budget: \$681,000

Los Niños Primero addresses educational gaps that exist in the immigrant Latino community, providing year-round services to students and families from Pre-K through adult leadership. It integrates art, music and dance in the curriculum to enhance the students' learning, language development, discipline and communication skills. Students enrolled in arts programs are provided greater access and exposure to the arts in Atlanta, while family participation in cultural enrichment fosters a sense of belonging and is a catalyst to broader civic engagement. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, Los Niños Primero will launch a virtual music, health and well-being program for children and teens. Tablets and musical instruments will enable students to participate and enhance musical and personal development skills while they have to learn remotely.

471 Mount Vernon Highway, NE, Sandy Springs, GA 30328 | losninosprimerousa.org**Wish List**

30 Amazon Fire tablets: \$3,049
 15 Xylophones: \$1,123
 15 Ukuleles: \$751
 Total: \$4,923

SPECIAL NEEDS SCHOOLS OF GWINNETT

Operating budget: \$437,000

For more than 30 years Special Needs Schools of Gwinnett (SNS) has used a flexible school setting to empower children and young adults with special needs in DeKalb, Gwinnett and surrounding counties. With more than 20,000 school-aged children who have a special need in Gwinnett County alone, the need for an individualized and specialized approach to education has never been greater. SNS works with nearly 100 students daily to achieve academic, social and personal growth, most of whom tried and failed in the public school system. SNS seeks iPads equipped with augmented and alternative communication software to help students who are nonverbal or have limited speech abilities to more effectively communicate with their teachers and peers and feel more included in the learning process.

660 Davis Road, Lawrenceville, GA 30046 | specialneedsschools.org**Wish List**

7 Apple iPads: \$2,303
 7 Alternative Communication software apps: \$1,750
 7 Kids' iPad cases: \$105
 Total: \$4,158

**TOMMY NOBIS CENTER**

Operating budget: \$8,825,000

The unemployment rate for people with disabilities is nearly double the rate of those without, and the poverty rate among people with disabilities is 2.5 times greater than the general population. These disparities affect the overall health of communities and their ability to thrive. Tommy Nobis Center serves individuals with disabilities or other barriers to employment, equipping them with vocational training, educational opportunities and job placement services to successfully secure and maintain employment. The long-term result creates economic growth, workplace diversification and inclusion of disabled populations as active contributors to society. The organization requests gas cards and bags with personal care items, including hand sanitizer and masks for COVID-19 protection, that ensure clients report to work at their best, instilling confidence and increasing employability.

1480 Bells Ferry Road, Marietta, GA 30066 | tommynobiscenter.org**Wish List**

200 Be Your Best bags: \$3,000
 50 \$20 gas cards: \$1,000
 Total: \$4,000

“Shopping for a holiday gift you know they need truly is the joy of giving! Love this program!”

- Barbara Bing-Pliner, Community Foundation donor and Board member



**VISION TO LEARN**

Operating budget: \$6,000,000

Vision To Learn (VTL) ensures that every child has the glasses they need to succeed in school and in life. About one in four students need glasses, and in low-income communities, up to 95% of kids lack access to vision care. Students with uncorrected vision problems are more likely to miss critical milestones in reading and are at greater risk of dropout. VTL brings mobile vision clinics directly to children in schools and provides free glasses when needed, totaling nearly 9,000 pairs locally since 2018. Nationally, 89% of kids served by VTL live in poverty and 87% are students of color. During COVID-19 school closures, VTL has kept up screenings at alternative community sites like libraries. VTL seeks computers for use in mobile clinics to increase efficiency for eye exams and eyeglasses ordering.

One West Court Square, Suite 750, Decatur, GA 30030 | visiontolearn.org**Wish List**

3 computers: \$5,000

Total: \$5,000

YEAR UP GREATER ATLANTA

Operating budget: \$9,279,000

Across the Atlanta region there are 126,000 youth who have been systematically disconnected from stable career and higher education opportunities due to racial and economic inequality and poor education systems. Meanwhile, employers are grappling with a talent shortage, even during the COVID-19 pandemic. Over the last 10 years Year Up has trained more than 2,500 young adults for middle-skill roles in high-demand career fields while they are dual enrolled at Atlanta Metropolitan State College. Year Up seeks course textbooks that will ease financial burden and keep students enrolled. Students who are well-equipped complete their courses and secure a good job, helping to create a positive ripple effect to their families, neighborhoods and larger communities.

1630 Metropolitan Parkway, SW, Atlanta, GA 30310 | yearup.org/locations/ga-atlanta**Wish List**10 College textbook sets:
\$5,000

Total: \$5,000

“Extra Wish has provided comfort and care to our clients. Our wish saved lives – a donor provided security cameras and cell phones for clients fleeing domestic violence. It ensured their safety at a dire time. We are so very grateful for the support received through this program.”

- Libby King, Atlanta Volunteer Lawyers Foundation

The Core Values

- Respect & value others
- Build trust & be honest
- Engage & embrace diversity
- Be accountable
- Collaborate & have fun



Strong Families



The word family means different things to different people, but our families are essential building blocks that shape who and what we are. The organizations in our strong families section help us live healthy, fulfilled lives. The diverse wishes in this section will provide food for families experiencing hunger, support budding authors, encourage mental wellness and engage grandparents in technology – all with the aim of strengthening the family unit in whatever form it takes.



AGAPE YOUTH AND FAMILY CENTER

Operating budget: \$2,200,000

Agape is the only no-cost, year-round youth enrichment program that offers tutoring, mentoring, standardized test prep and a nutritious dinner for children in northwest Atlanta. A majority of Agape students maintain a 3.0 GPA or higher, and 100% who remain in the program through high school graduate and transition to college, vocational school or the workforce. Due to COVID-19 all programs and oversight of students have gone virtual, which is helpful to parents who are not native English speakers and who are challenged with homeschooling. Many families have been significantly impacted by food insecurity during the pandemic. Agape requests grocery gift cards to help families purchase a holiday meal to help reduce stress during what is a hectic time in any typical year.

2210 Marietta Boulevard, NW, Atlanta, GA 30318 | agapeatlanta.org

Wish List

100 \$50 Publix gift cards:
\$5,000

Total: \$5,000

BETHESDA COMMUNITY CLINIC

Operating budget: \$285,000

Bethesda Community Clinic is a bilingual, nonprofit healthcare clinic caring for the underserved in and around Cherokee County - no one who needs care is turned away. Patients include children, seniors, veterans, victims of abuse and those experiencing homelessness. During the COVID-19 pandemic Bethesda has seen patient volume rise as the county health department has been overwhelmed with testing. It is using telehealth services for those without transportation or childcare and those with elevated health risk. The clinic recently purchased a mobile medical unit that serves low-income neighborhoods, schools and events on site, and the organization requests an awning for the unit to provide a safe, covered area to protect screening equipment and patients during check-in and out.

111 Mountain Brook Drive, Suite 100, Canton, GA 30115 | bcccherokee.com

Wish List

Electric awning: \$3,500

Total: \$3,500

GIRLS INCORPORATED FOR GREATER ATLANTA (GIRLS INC.)

Operating budget: \$1,200,000

Girls Inc. inspires girls to be strong, smart, and bold by focusing on academics, life skills development and opportunities to explore higher education and career possibilities. Its Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) programming works with girls from low-income households who are at the highest risk of dropping out of STEM courses or who lack self-confidence in this area. Participants are aged 5 to 18, 60% are Black, 24% Latinx and 8% are multiple heritage. Girls Inc. requests items for programs planned during the next school semester and summer camp. The 3-D drone kits teach building and engineering, including aviation and piloting, Bluetooth receiver kits teach sound engineering principles and Co-Drone kits teach coding, engineering and aviation.

461 Magnet Street, SE, Marietta, GA 30060 | girlsincatl.org

Wish List

40 3-D drone kits: \$2,800

40 Bluetooth receiver kits:
\$2,000

20 Co-Drone consumable
kits: \$200

Total: \$5,000

HEALING COMMUNITY CENTER

Operating budget: \$4,800,000

Metro Atlanta has one of the most dramatic rates of Black-white healthcare disparities in the nation and Fulton County receives low grades on indicators for Black residents ranging from low birth weight to preventable emergency room visits. HEAL fills a gap in this safety net and offers primary and specialty care for all ages, replacing episodic care with coordinated, integrated care. Treatment for diabetes is a priority; it's the 7th leading cause of death in the U.S., affects low-income and minority populations disproportionately and is linked to heart disease, stroke, high blood pressure and poor outcomes from COVID-19. HEAL seeks glucose monitors and supplies to assist uninsured patients and ensure they get quality care and grocery gift cards to incentivize patients to purchase nutritious items.

2600 Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard, SW, Suite 100, Atlanta, GA 30331 | healingcommunitycenter.org

Wish List

10 Glucose monitors: \$2,000
 20 Sensor refills for monitors: \$2,640
 36 Gift cards for patient incentive prizes: \$360
 Total: \$5,000

MOTHERHOOD BEYOND BARS

Operating budget: \$225,000

Babies borne to women inside of prison often end up being cared for by women (often grandmothers) outside of prison. Motherhood Beyond Bars is the first organization of its kind in Georgia that provides tangible and emotional support to these caregivers including diapers, clothing and other items as well as a personal navigator to connect caregivers with local agencies and resources. Children who feel connected to their mothers, even when physically distant, are at lower risk of negative outcomes from parental incarceration. With family visits suspended due to COVID-19 and the financial burden of technology to support virtual visits, the organization requests photo printers and baby books that allow mothers to be connected to their children, especially in the first year.

1799 Briarcliff Road, Box 15276, Atlanta, GA 30333 | motherhoodbeyond.org

Wish List

35 photo printers: \$3,500
 35 baby books: \$1,278
 35 baby handprint or footprint kits: \$157
 Total: \$4,934

**PROJECT HEALTHY GRANDPARENTS**

Operating budget: \$538,000

Research shows that many caregiver grandparents are isolated and without vital social support that mitigates the effects of late-in-life parenting. Those caring for children with developmental delays are challenged to identify and access support. Project Healthy Grandparents (PHG) is one of the only programs in the country that supports these families with home-based services. Roughly 85% of PHG's clients fall below the federal poverty line and COVID-19 is exacerbating their needs, and they continue to be at increased risk for a decreased income during the economic downturn. PHG requests computers to help children stay connected with at-home learning. MARTA cards are requested for trips to the grocery store and doctor's appointments as many clients do not have cars.

PO Box 3984, Atlanta, GA 30302 | phg.lewis.gsu.edu

Wish List

13 Chromebooks: \$3,450
 Chromebook tablet for kindergartner: \$360
 170 MARTA cards: \$893
 Total: \$4,703



“Thanks to our Extra Wish items, the GAIN team can be more intentional and mindful of our clients’ moment-to-moment needs both inside and outside of our office.”

- Monica Modi Khant, Executive Director, GAIN, 2019 Extra Wish recipient



**RAKSHA**

Operating budget: \$1,033,000

In metro Atlanta, the South Asian community numbers approximately 150,000 and is ethnically, culturally, linguistically and religiously diverse. Raksha provides the community with culturally competent and linguistically appropriate services that include English language skills, financial management, connections to legal and mental health support, individual and group therapy sessions and even education on how to navigate public transportation throughout the community. In the wake of COVID-19 restrictions, clients and their children have faced unprecedented barriers to accessing services, with health and financial implications for many. Raksha has shifted services online and requests computer devices that will allow 30 client families reliable access to schooling, group and individual therapy sessions and economic empowerment opportunities.

PO Box 12337, Atlanta, GA 30355 | raksha.org**Wish List**

15 Acer Chrome-books: \$2,250

15 Lenovo Tablets: \$2,700

Total: \$4,950

YOUNG AUTHORS PUBLISHING

Operating budget: \$150,000

Young Authors Publishing (YAP) helps children ages 8-14 in underserved communities use their creative and artistic abilities to write engaging and culturally relevant children's books with the help of a writing mentor. The aim is to create more diverse books for children and provide a self-sufficient pathway for young authors to earn up to \$10,000 in savings for post-secondary education. Mentors from local HBCUs help young people learn the art of storytelling, financial literacy and entrepreneurship through the YAP experience, and Black and brown readers see literature that is reflective of their own experiences. YAP's request fulfills two unmet needs - increased printing costs and engagement of a publicity consultant who can help bring more awareness to this valuable program.

807 Atlanta Student Movement Boulevard, Atlanta, GA 30314 | youngauthorspublishing.org**Wish List**

Printing for 1,000 books: \$4,390

Publicity consultant: \$600

Total: \$4,990

**YOUTHSPARK**

Operating budget: \$709,600

youthSpark works with boys, girls and LGBTQ+ youth ages 12-17 through the Fulton County Juvenile Court system who are at-risk or confirmed victims of exploitation, abuse and/or trauma. Most live in high-risk zip codes within Fulton County that are substantially underserved, where nearly half of residents under 18 live in poverty. The youthSpark center provides vital safety net services to over 200 youth annually, putting youth on the path to positive personal growth and self-sufficiency. The center requests art kits for therapeutic activities that help traumatized youth express themselves, an important step toward healing. The center also requests gift cards to help client families already burdened by the COVID-10 pandemic, as well as a client database management system for electronic file maintenance to streamline their services.

395 Pryor Street, Suite 2117, Atlanta, GA 30312 | youth-spark.org**Wish List**

50 Art of Coloring Kits: \$997

75 \$20 Kroger Gift Cards: \$1,500

Client database management system: \$2,500

Total: \$4,997

Thriving Communities



Our broadest pillar, thriving communities, builds a just and healthy region and encourages all Atlantans to use their voice to shape it. This includes a commitment to strengthening civic voice while increasing affordable housing, transportation access and environmental justice. The wishes in this section – from traffic signs to technology – build a sense of community while ensuring that residents have access to opportunities for success.



ALCHEMY SKY FOUNDATION

Operating budget: \$40,000

Every day in the U.S. approximately 20 military veterans commit suicide. Alchemy Sky helps veterans process their feelings and experiences in therapeutic ways through the power of music. Veterans work with a board-certified music therapist, as well as local artists and producers, to write and record two personal songs. Its Veterans Music Project is getting requests to expand into other parts of Georgia with a waitlist of those who wish to participate. Alchemy Sky requests a computer, audio software bundle and performance kit that will enable the organization to expand into a broader geographic region and serve more veterans.

1097 Rhomboid Street, Atlanta, GA 30318 | alchemysky.org**Wish List**Apple MacBook:
\$2,374Audio studio bundle:
\$599Stage performance kit:
\$276

Total: \$3,249

**DEKALB LIBRARY FOUNDATION**

Operating budget: \$309,000

According to the U.S. Census Bureau's COVID-19 Impact Planning Report, 17% of DeKalb County citizens do not have home internet, while further data suggests this figure is as high as 30% in some parts of the county. During pre-pandemic times, DeKalb County Public Library system patrons typically logged more than 1.5 million sessions on the system's internet access and WiFi annually. The library system has aimed to narrow the digital divide during the pandemic by providing more than 400 online programs as well as WiFi hotspot equipment that families can check out and use at home. Patrons have used equipment to file unemployment claims and participate in online school. The Foundation requests funding to support 10 additional WiFi devices equipped with 12 months of service.

3560 Kensington Road, Decatur, GA 30032 | dekalblibrary.org/foundation**Wish List**10 WiFi hotspots with 12
months of service:
\$4,561

Total: \$4,561

FOCUSED COMMUNITY STRATEGIES

Operating budget: \$3,661,000

Focused Community Strategies (FCS) partners with under-resourced neighborhoods to engage in holistic development that produces healthy, sustainable and restorative communities. Its focus in Historic South Atlanta includes economic development, mixed-income housing, neighborhood engagement and training within an area of 2,800 residents, 93% of whom are Black. Through its work, home ownership has risen to 60% (30% are low-income owners), schools have improved and local businesses have emerged providing healthy food and job opportunities for residents. Traffic is a challenge in the neighborhood, even more so during the pandemic as more residents are walking, riding bikes and playing outside. FCS requests traffic signs that will encourage driver caution on neighborhood streets as well as bike lights to protect neighbors who bike to work or for recreation.

PO Box 17628, Atlanta, GA 30315 | fcsministries.org**Wish List**65 Road traffic signs:
\$2,15742 Visual warning street
signs: \$1,29695 LED bicycle lights:
\$1,538

Total: \$4,991

**FUTURE FOUNDATION**

Operating budget: \$2,499,000

Future Foundation fills a gap to provide academic and career preparedness for more than 500 students in grades 6-12 annually. 100% who complete the program graduate from high school. Programs are focused in South Fulton County to overcome the negative impacts of intergenerational poverty. During COVID-19 the Foundation is supporting students as they navigate online learning and connecting them to healthy meals they would typically receive at school. Caring for youth's mental health is more important now than ever as social gatherings and in-person support systems are temporarily unavailable. To encourage youth to continue moving towards their goals even in the face of hardship, the Foundation requests items for boxes filled with inspiring and motivational tools that will be delivered to students.

1892 Washington Road, East Point, GA 3034 | future-foundation.com**Wish List**

100 Secret to Success books: \$2,000
100 Affirmation/motivation cards: \$999
100 Mindfulness and well-being journals: \$999
Total: \$3,998

**GEORGIA CONSERVANCY**

Operating budget: \$1,230,000

All communities benefit from reduced pollution levels and access to greenspace, but not all communities are afforded those conditions. Georgia Conservancy works primarily in low-income, under-represented communities to protect and conserve natural resources via advocacy, engagement and collaboration toward community stability and health. The Conservancy engages residents, government and other community stakeholders around thoughtful land conservation, building reuse, development and policy making that is tied to economic growth. The COVID-19 pandemic forced event and trip cancellations and slowed membership growth and donations. The Conservancy adapted and shifted core programming to virtual meetings and workshops, with staff working from home. It requests additional laptops to allow staff to continue progress on current projects now and through the post-pandemic recovery.

230 Peachtree Street, NW, Suite 1250, Atlanta, GA 30303 | georgiaconservancy.org**Wish List**

3 laptop computers: \$4,907
Total: \$4,907

**INITIATIVE FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING**

Operating budget: \$2,683,000

Initiative for Affordable Housing (Initiative) aims to end the cycle of homelessness and generational poverty with a focus on mothers with school aged children. It provides safe, affordable housing, financial assistance and employment training that helps put families on the path to financial independence. Formerly homeless children and children from low-income families are particularly at risk of falling behind during COVID-19 due to school closures that impact learning as well as access to food. In addition to distributing food, Initiative is now providing access to tutoring and home learning environment set-up. It seeks grocery gift cards for additional food support for families as well as children's desks and internet access to foster at-home learning for students.

3032 North Decatur Road, Scottdale, GA 30079 | affordablehousingatl.org**Wish List**

20 \$100 Grocery gift certificates: \$2,000
15 Children's desks: \$750
High-speed internet access for 5 families: \$1,500
Total: \$4,250

LATIN AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

Operating budget: \$4,175,000

For metro Atlanta to do well, Latino communities must thrive. With an ever-growing and diversifying Latino population, the Latin American Association (LAA) serves metro Atlanta by providing English classes, entrepreneurship training, immigration legal support, youth mentorship and college access conferences and community events, serving over 45,000 people annually. Due to COVID-19, LAA has transitioned to primarily virtual events and services, with a limited number of clients being served in person by appointment. Its Immigration Legal Services department, in particular, is conducting significantly more video calls, often conferencing in families. LAA seeks equipment, including monitors, ergonomic office chairs and laptop stands that will allow staff to more sustainably handle long days of video calls with clients.

2750 Buford Highway, NE, Atlanta, GA 30324 | thelaa.org**Wish List**

3 TV monitors: \$990
 10 desk chairs: \$2,000
 25 Laptop stands: \$1,250
 Total: \$4,240

MANGA AFRICAN DANCE

Operating budget: \$77,000

Manga African Dance is dedicated to preserving and teaching indigenous African arts through adornment, dance, drama, drum, fashion, games and songs. Manga believes in the power to transcend racial, cultural and ethnic barriers and engage audiences in meaningful discourse and cultural experiences that otherwise are not accessible to the general public. It teaches youth about African culture as well as health and wellness that can be achieved through dance. The organization seeks to replace the air conditioner in the community center where its offices and classes are housed. It also requests a branded tent for greater exposure and push dollies to transport musical instruments at community festivals and other public events.

1083 Austin Avenue, Atlanta, GA 30307 | mangadance.org**Wish List**

Air conditioner: \$320
 Tent: \$636
 2 Push-cart dollies:
 \$175
 Total: \$1,131



While animal-related causes do not fall into our Thriving Communities pillar as a part of our Equity of Opportunity Architecture, we recognize that animals play an important part in mental and community health, so we continue to present your wishes from animal-related organizations in Extra Wish.



PAWS ATLANTA

Operating budget: \$1,750,000

PAWS Atlanta is Georgia's oldest no-kill shelter, a place of love and hope where more than 1,000 animals each year find care and new beginnings. PAWS serves many low-income individuals and families through vaccine clinics, a pet food bank, summer camp for kids and foster care programs. Maintaining a high standard of cleanliness at the shelter is critical in making sure the animals stay healthy. With veterinary procedures, changing blankets in kennels and 150 animals typically on-site at any one time, PAWS does as many as 100 loads of laundry per week and requests a commercial washing machine and dryer. It also requests an updated laptop for its development team with all-virtual fundraising required due to COVID-19.

5287 Covington Highway, Decatur, GA 30035 | PAWSAtlanta.org

Wish List

Commercial washer:
\$989

Commercial dryer:
\$989

Laptop: \$1,750

Total: \$3,728

QUEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION

Operating budget: \$4,700,000

Quest Communities develops affordable housing to support homeless, very low-income and marginally housed persons on Atlanta's Westside, revitalizing communities and the people who reside there. It manages multi-family housing, single-family homes and four commercial properties, creating vibrant, intentional communities where residents can achieve economic mobility. Although Quest provides supportive housing using government funding, these dollars do not cover essential items such as household goods, kitchenware, school clothes and toiletries. Quest requests these items to create move-in kits for formerly homeless families to have the basics they need to get a good start once they move into their new home.

878 Rock Street, NW, Atlanta, GA 30314 | questcommunities.org

Wish List

30 Bedding sets:
\$3,069

25 Kitchen sets: \$975

75 Toiletry kits: \$975

Total: \$5,019



SWEET AUBURN WORKS

Operating budget: \$185,600

Sweet Auburn Works (SAW) is shepherding the equitable development of Atlanta's Sweet Auburn Historic District which is cemented in the national African American entrepreneurial and civil rights legacy it created in the first half of the 20th century. It is assisting the District's underserved small business community as it navigates a difficult post-COVID environment. SAW is navigating redevelopment and adaptive reuse of vacant parcels and historic buildings to add equitably-focused commercial space and housing that will bring new businesses and residents back to the neighborhood. SAW requests two cargo bicycles to launch a neighborhood-based local restaurant delivery service that will create jobs for riders and will drastically decrease the expense of utilizing a delivery service for restaurants that now have to rely largely on take-out and delivery due to COVID-19.

522 Auburn Avenue, Atlanta, GA 30312 | sweetauburnworks.org

Wish List

2 Electric cargo
bikes: \$5,000

Total: \$5,000

THE TREY CLEGG SINGERS

Operating budget: \$94,000

The Trey Clegg Singers (TCS) address divisions, injustice and inequities and bring healing through music and members who are diverse ethnically, sexually and generationally. TCS performs the music of diverse cultures and sings in many languages with a repertoire that includes classical choral works, spirituals, gospel and jazz. Performances are thematic and are developed around healing, social justice, reconciliation, love and peace. Trey Clegg, TCS Founder and Director, is a COVID-19 survivor. His recovery was long and hard; music helped him survive. TCS desires to develop multicultural chorus videos for YouTube that can be sent to medical personnel to thank them and to provide music they can distribute to patients.

4662 Derby Loop, Fairburn, GA 30213 | thetreycleggsingers.org

Wish List

Video camera: \$1,295

Memory Card: \$400

MacBook Pro: \$2,400

Total: \$4,095



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