

EXTRA WISH

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY CATALOG
FOR OUR DONORS | 2021 EDITION



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GIVE WHERE YOU CARE AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

With the COVID-19 pandemic continuing into 2021, our nonprofit partners continued to step up and serve our region. As they give to our community, we want to give back to them. *Extra Wish* celebrates the spirit of giving.

Our 2021 *Extra Wish* opportunity catalog features 30 “wishes.” Each wish represents items that a nonprofit needs, but may not necessarily have the discretionary funds to purchase. Regardless of the cause closest to your heart, you will find ways to strengthen these nonprofits one wish at a time in the pages of *Extra Wish*.

No matter how small the request – the maximum request is \$5,000 – the impact is huge. From pints of pottery glaze to gift cards, microwaves and ukuleles – this *Extra Wish* is as compelling, interesting and meaningful as ever. Give a little or a lot – the choice is yours.



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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. All of these organizations are working to build equity and shared prosperity for all who call Atlanta home.

HOW YOU USE EXTRA WISH IS ENTIRELY UP TO YOU!

Here are some ideas:

Engage your children or grandchildren.

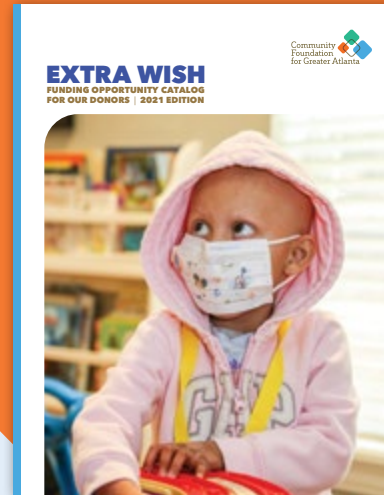
Often, it is easier for children to understand and empathize with real, tangible needs. Talk to them about each wish and why it is needed. Ask them to help you choose a wish to grant or let them pick one of their own to fund.

Interested in supporting organizations that are responding 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 on equity and shared prosperity across the Atlanta region.

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



HOW IS 2021 DIFFERENT?

In 2021, the Community Foundation celebrates our 70th anniversary. Atlanta has changed a lot in the last 70 years and so have we. We are not slowing down – in partnership with donors, residents across the region, nonprofit organizations and civic leaders, we seek to make our region more equitable and more prosperous for all who call Atlanta home. It will take all of us working together to build a greater Atlanta.

The Community Foundation is undergoing major evolution as we launch a new five-year strategic plan that unequivocally embraces equity as the Foundation's #1 priority. You will see that lens applied here to *Extra Wish* and many of the included wishes.

“This is more than a strategic plan – it is a promise of service to the Atlanta region for the next 70 years. However, the needs in our community are pressing and we need to move with the urgency of now to address those needs. In these pages, you’ll find just a few of those needs and your support is more important than ever.” – Frank Fernandez, president & CEO, Community Foundation for Greater Atlanta

HOW TO GRANT A WISH

If you would like to grant an Extra Wish, please contact your philanthropic officer or log in to DonorCentralNXT to make your gift. In DonorCentralNXT, 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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As the continuing COVID-19 pandemic impacts our region's communities, Atlanta's nonprofit sector continues to step up and help those in need. Wishes identified with this mark are associated with pandemic response or recovery.

ARTS, CULTURE, ANIMALS

Arts organizations increase access for all Atlantans to creativity and culture. The arts sector is an intersection of so much in our society – in addition to helping us understand the human condition, it reflects and helps us process the issues and opportunities in our society. Many of our donors are passionate about animal causes and there are many health benefits of owning a pet. They improve mental health and increase opportunities to exercise, get outside and socialize.



ATLANTA ARTIST RELIEF FUND

Operating Budget: \$138,900

There are 100,000 actors, dancers, filmmakers and other arts workers who call Atlanta home. It is estimated that one-third of those struggle with food insecurity. More than half have not sought healthcare due to inability to pay and 80% have reported increased struggles with their mental health. Atlanta Artist Relief Fund (AARF) is an artist-led human service and advocacy organization that helps artists obtain the community resources, professional development and training they need to thrive. AARF delivers meals, assists with benefit navigation and partners with local organizations on mental health care. AARF also produces public performances that enhance access to arts and culture for local audiences, and using borrowed or rented equipment has proven financially burdensome. With more in-person events being planned, AARF requests reliable, professional equipment to ensure quality performances.

305 Valleybrook Crossing, Apt 305, Decatur, GA 30030 | atlartsrelief.org

Wish List

Wireless PA sound system: \$2,700
Microphone and cable set: \$109
Microphone stand: \$107
Total: \$2,916

ATLANTA MUSIC PROJECT

Operating Budget: \$1,982,385

A National Endowment for the Arts study found that youth who had access to intensive arts education were more likely to graduate high school and attend college, yet many lack access to music education. The Atlanta Music Project (AMP) provides tuition-free after-school music education in neighborhoods where high-quality band, choir, orchestra and private lessons programs are not typically offered. The ability to perform on a musical instrument builds confidence, creativity and curiosity. AMP requests instruments and tools that will enhance its instruction. A French horn, a rare instrument that is not commonly taught, can transform its Youth Orchestra and a proper bass stool will improve posture and musicianship for students who play the double bass. A pushcart dolly will assist with heavy equipment movement for rehearsals and performances.

883 Dill Avenue, SW, Atlanta, GA 30310 | atlantamusicproject.org

Wish List

3 French horns: \$3,900
Bass stool: \$1,004
Pushcart Dolly: \$86
Total: \$4,990

CANINE CELLMATES

Operating Budget: \$200,000

Canine CellMates (CCM) is as much about rehabilitation and the reduction of recidivism as it is about saving shelter dogs. Fulton County Jail is frequently overcrowded and lacks the supportive services that incarcerated men need. CCM partners with these men to learn how to care for, train and bond with shelter dogs. Participants learn social-emotional skills while dogs avoid an overcrowded and stressful shelter environment before being adopted into loving forever homes. CCM acquired a building in 2021, expanding its impact with an out-of-custody diversion program that keeps men out of court and helps them have charges dismissed upon program completion. CCM requests funds to install a camera security system at the building to increase the overall safety for dogs, program participants and volunteers.

4874 S Atlanta Road, SE, Atlanta, GA 30339 | caninecellmates.org

Wish List

Security camera system: \$5,000
Total: \$5,000

ZOO ATLANTA

Operating budget: \$22,545,000

Student learning doesn't only happen in the classroom. Experiencing different worlds away from school is enriching for children and gives real-world context to classroom lessons. As the only major zoo serving Georgia, Zoo Atlanta's diverse animal collection fosters connections between humans and animals that strengthen lifelong learning and conservation efforts. The Zoo is committed to creating fun and engaging experiences to improve students' understanding of the natural world and inspiring enthusiasm for academic disciplines such as STEM, biology, behavioral science, ecology and conservation. An immediate effect of the pandemic was the elimination of school field trips and reduced participation in fee-based educational programs. Zoo Atlanta requests funding for reduced-cost admissions that will allow hundreds of students to experience hands-on and minds-on activities.

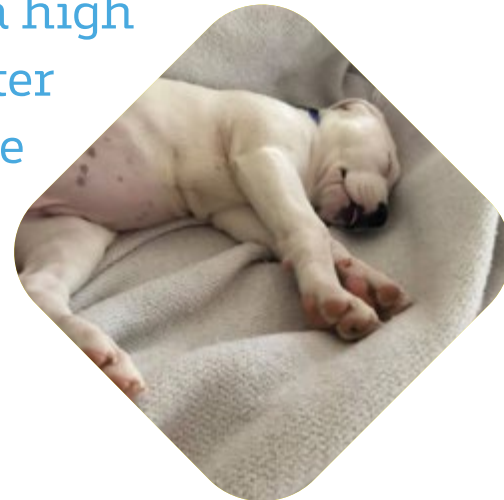
800 Cherokee Avenue, SE, Atlanta, GA 30315 | zoatlanta.org

Wish List

380 reduced-cost
Zoo admission
tickets: \$4,936
Total: \$4,936

“We can't begin to tell you how grateful we are for having our Extra Wishes granted through the generosity of the Community Foundation's donors. With their love and support, we were able to purchase two commercial washers and dryers—a big game changer for our organization. These much-needed, more reliable machines maintain a high standard of cleanliness at our shelter and ensures the animals in our care stay comfy and healthy.”

- Joe Labriola, executive director, PAWS Atlanta



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/HOUSING

The Atlanta region is facing an affordable housing crisis. In the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic and removal of many eviction prevention measures, an estimated one fifth of rental households could be at risk for eviction. In this section, you will find organizations striving for affordable housing, and working with and for communities to ensure all residents thrive, prosper and have a voice.



ATLANTA LAND TRUST

Operating Budget: \$580,000

A family's health, educational outcomes, job opportunities and economic well-being are influenced by where their home is located. In 2018, 31% of all households in the region, and nearly half of households in the City of Atlanta were cost-burdened – living in housing that is not affordable. The Atlanta Land Trust (ALT) provides low-income Atlantans with permanently affordable housing near the Atlanta BeltLine, using the community land trust model that allows homeowners, mostly first-time home buyers, to build equity while preserving the home's affordability. ALT provides all prospective homebuyers with training and counseling to prepare them for homeownership. They wish to present Ace Hardware gift cards and fully stocked toolboxes as closing gifts to help with ongoing home maintenance.

112 Krog Street, Suite 14, Atlanta, GA 30707 | atlantalandtrust.org

Wish List

20 Ace Hardware gift cards: \$2,000
20 Tool sets: \$2,500
Total: \$4,500

BETHANY CHRISTIAN SERVICES OF GEORGIA

Operating budget: \$9,735,502

When children need a family, Bethany Christian Services of Georgia (Bethany) responds, providing children the support, safety and connection they deserve. Bethany serves the most vulnerable – those with advanced physical or mental needs, those who have been in a group home or long-term foster care – through adoption, emergency foster care, juvenile justice and pregnancy counseling. Bethany is also working with the Office of Refugee Resettlement to recruit and train therapeutic foster families for children caught in the border crisis. Bethany plans to open a non-traditional school to serve children ages 5 to 18 through its Transitional Foster Care program. A variety of desks are requested to help the school establish a routine and normalcy for children who have experienced extreme trauma.

6645 Peachtree Dunwoody Road, NE, Atlanta, GA 30328 | bethany.org/atlanta

Wish List

12 open-front student desks: \$1,042
12 student desks: \$1,463
12 combo student desks: \$1,519
Total: \$4,024

BUTTS COUNTY LIFE ENRICHMENT TEAM

Operating budget: \$90,000

Butts County Life Enrichment Team is the glue that holds its collaborative community of social services organizations together. The organization connects individuals and families to the resources they need to improve the health and well-being of families through emotional, mental, physical and spiritual support. It supplies mental health care packages and PPE bags for students, hosts back-to-school and stuff-the-bus events to collect school supplies and oversees a reading program for students. Butts County is home to two State Parks and the organization requests park passes for program participants, including those who attend Mommy-and-me meet ups. It also seeks children's mental health books to help increase mental health awareness and teach children more about their emotions and how to understand/handle them.

PO Box 976, Jackson, GA 30233 | butts.gafcp.org

Wish List

50 State Park passes: \$2,500
193: Children's mental health books: \$2,500
Total: \$5,000

FRIENDS OF REFUGEES

Operating budget: \$1,650,000

For over 30 years, more than 40,000 refugees from at least 40 countries have begun journeys as new Americans in Clarkston, most of whom have endured a journey marked with loss and trauma. Their safety and well-being are enhanced through not only escaping violence and oppression, but also having basic needs met and securing employment. Friends of Refugees provides job opportunities and skilled job training in native languages, with 15 countries and 23 languages represented among staff. As the refugee ceiling quadrupled in 2021, the organization seeks to expand its impact targeted to mothers including a two-generation literacy program, birth support services and postpartum support. Laptops and tablets are requested to help during comprehensive home visits with new mothers, and car seats are requested for mothers who complete prenatal training.

PO Box 548, Clarkston, GA 30021 | friendsofrefugees.com

Wish List

8 Laptop computers: \$2,392

19 Car seats: \$1,138

6 Tablet computers: \$1,470

Total: \$5,000

GEORGIA ASYLUM AND IMMIGRATION NETWORK

Operating budget: \$1,005,732

According to the American Immigration Council, immigrants make up 10% of Georgia's population and reports also show that immigrants make up a significant number of essential workers who are getting us through the pandemic. Georgia Asylum and Immigration Network (GAIN) provides pro bono legal services for asylum-seekers and immigrant survivors of human trafficking, domestic violence and sexual assault who do not have access to public attorneys. GAIN's clients have ongoing needs due to the pandemic, including food insecurity and lack of access to healthcare. The organization seeks food and pharmacy gift cards to alleviate these costs. It also requests computers to loan to clients for teleconferences with attorneys and children's headphones to provide parents privacy when they must bring children to in-person meetings because they lack childcare.

229 Peachtree Street, NE, Suite 1500, Atlanta, GA 30303 | georgiaasylum.org

Wish List

50 Food and pharmacy gift cards: \$2,500

10 Chromebook computers: \$2,109

2 Noise cancelling headphones for kids: \$64

Total: \$4,673

HISTORIC WESTSIDE GARDENS

Operating Budget: \$88,000

Historic Westside Gardens (HWG) aims to break the cycle of unhealthy food choices by teaching people how to grow their own fruits and vegetables, focusing on communities that are considered food deserts. HWG is unique in that it installs gardens at individual homes, at no cost, for under-employed families and seniors, providing everything needed for success including monthly coaching opportunities. Currently 100 families are being served on Atlanta's westside. HWG also manages four community agriculture learning hubs and a children's garden and visits three apartment communities that house special needs individuals. The organization seeks materials that will assist its interactive cooking sessions including a demonstration station, kitchen tools and cookware.

396 Elm Street, NW, Atlanta, GA 30314 | historicwestsidegardens.org

Wish List

Cooking demonstration station: \$2,476

Kitchen tool set: \$100

11-piece cookware set: \$400

Total: \$2,976

PUBLIC BROADCASTING ATLANTA

Operating Budget: \$15,625,000

Nonprofit independent journalism and local news coverage are essential to a healthy democracy and a strong community. In fact, local community attachment and regular voting are closely linked to local news habits. Public Broadcasting Atlanta (PBA) connects Atlantans to Atlanta by informing, inspiring, reflecting and empowering our regional community. Its original podcasts, innovative digital content and an Atlanta-focused television line-up reach more than half of the state's population. In the age of COVID, the PBA team has had to work in new ways and integrate new technology into its reporting. PBA has used rented drones to give an aerial scope and perspective to its stories, costing several hundred dollars per use. PBA seeks to purchase a drone with batteries and a protective cover to make this coverage more cost efficient.

740 Bismark Road, NE, Atlanta, GA 30324 | wabe.org/pba

Wish List

Drone: \$1,400

Batteries: \$345

Protector case: \$170

Total: \$1,915



EDUCATION

Education – from cradle to career – is critical as we seek to build a more equitable Atlanta for all. It is a gateway to economic empowerment and prosperity. These organizations are providing access to resources for all ages, including STEAM tools for kids, job certification for adults and everything in between.



ANIZ, INC.

Operating Budget: \$575,000

Aniz provides wrap-around holistic harm reduction to disadvantaged communities of color in metro Atlanta and is the only service provider in Georgia providing services, including rehousing, to people who are still using drugs and alcohol. Aniz also provides trauma-informed care to individuals suffering from racism, domestic abuse and homophobia. It conducts programs for mothers including those who are newly released from detention and young mothers struggling to find a home and provide for their children. Many mothers do not have childcare and use the Aniz playroom while attending classes. Aniz seeks to liven up the playroom with new furniture, toys and organizational systems to make the playroom inviting enough that children want to come to Aniz, giving mothers additional motivation to attend classes.

236 Forsyth Street, SW, Suite 300, Atlanta, GA 30303 | aniz.org

Wish List

- Classroom furniture and organization tools: \$930
- Youth furniture set: \$720
- Wheel foam climber for children: \$1,120
- Total: \$2,770

THE INVESTORS ACADEMY

Operating Budget: \$259,000

Quality education, efficient access to healthcare, employment opportunities and affordable housing are keys to eradicating poverty in Atlanta. Investors Academy goes directly into communities to serve individuals, notably through a Resource Center in the heart of Southwest Atlanta that is a place of comfort to the community. The center includes a clothing closet, computer lab, emergency housing assistance and a food pantry. Its Life Skills Training Program gives individuals an opportunity to gain full-time employment and create a pathway to self-sufficiency. Investors Academy seeks funding for a forklift certification program that offers on-the-job training including protective gear and work boots, resulting in employment within the first 30 days. Updated laptops and a printer/fax machine will assist both office staff and program participants.

122 Howell Drive, SW, Atlanta, GA 30331 | theinvestorsacademy.org

Wish List

- 4 Forklift certifications: \$1,400
- 5 Refurbished Apple laptops: \$2,850
- Printer/fax machine: \$750
- Total: \$5,000

LaAMISTAD

Operating Budget: \$1,626,077

Atlanta is home to one of the fastest-growing Latino communities in the U.S., and these families face many unique challenges when compared to other minority groups, including language barriers, generational poverty and struggles to find educational resources for their children. LaAmistad partners with families to provide free educational support through an afterschool program, summer learning academies and parent engagement workshops. LaAmistad also offers affordable English literacy classes for adults to help them achieve career goals and assimilate into the community. Recognizing the educational interruptions that its students have faced, LaAmistad has invested in remedial reading specialists for individualized support, along with investing in hands-on STEM learning programs for afterschool students. The organization requests Chromebook computers, charging carts and software suites to help students access classwork online, complete homework and advance their learning.

3434 Roswell Road, Atlanta, GA 30305 | laamistadinc.org

Wish List

- Chromebook charging cart: \$1,694
- 12 Chromebooks: \$2,636
- 12 Chromebook G suite licenses: \$456
- Total: \$4,786

RAINBOW HOUSE

Operating Budget: \$1,315,213

For 33 years, Rainbow House has served as a safe haven for over 10,000 abused and neglected children. Rainbow House is a 24-hour, 22-bed children’s shelter with a mission to help restore, heal and rebuild the lives of children and their families. It is the only emergency shelter in Clayton County that serves both boys and girls, enabling siblings to remain together, and all children are enrolled in Clayton County schools. The agency encourages residents’ extracurricular interests in science, sports and the arts to increase self-esteem and self-confidence while establishing healthy relationships with their peers. Rainbow House wishes to add an Aquaponics system, a proven method for raising fish and growing plants through experiential learning, teaching lessons in agriculture, environmental science and food systems.

879 Battle Creek Road, Jonesboro, GA 30236 | rainbowhouseinc.org

Wish List

STEM Aquaponics system: \$4,810

Total: \$4,810

REACH OUT AND READ GEORGIA

Operating Budget: \$12,920,784

The pandemic inarguably disproportionately affected low-income and underserved communities, potentially causing learning delays. Reach Out and Read Georgia aims to create a pipeline of future successful students and help children build healthy brains through reading. Pediatric partners “prescribe” books for home libraries at each well-child visit, birth to 5 years old. Books are chosen to be developmentally, linguistically and culturally diverse with stories, images and characters that reflect and affirm a diverse range of identities, allowing children to see themselves and their world. For children from Black and brown communities, receiving books that are mirrors can make a positive impact on their racial identity formation, self-worth and belonging. Reach Out and Read requests books that feature diverse characters and experiences that can increase acceptance, empathy and inclusivity.

145 Old Sandhurst Landing, Johns Creek, GA 30022 | reachoutandread.org/georgia

Wish List

300 *Hair Love* books: \$1,500

600 *Yo? Yes!* books: \$1,800

600 *I Am Enough* books: \$1,500

Total: \$4,800

RE:IMAGINE/ATL

Operating Budget: \$634,750

The creative media industry represents \$37 billion in revenue and \$62.5 billion in economic impact across the U.S. Yet, employers have consistent difficulty identifying diverse next-gen talent, and BIPOC creatives are left behind without resources, training or tools to compete. re:imagine/ATL addresses this gap by training and inspiring young people to pursue work in this field through a rigorous curriculum around non-traditional STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) careers within the creative field. Students use their voices through storytelling to highlight challenges in their communities and shed light on their perspectives. re:imagine/ATL seeks a computer for students with software capabilities specific to their training as well as a professional camera rig for safe filming. It also requests rideshare gift cards for reliable transportation to training and job opportunities.

100 Flat Shoals Avenue, SE, Suite 520-277, Atlanta, GA 30316 | reimagineatl.com

Wish List

Apple MacBook Pro computer: \$1,500

60 Lyft/Uber gift cards: \$2,100

Easyrig Minimax camera rig: \$1,259

Total: \$4,859

YOUTH VILLAGES

Operating Budget: \$26,863,315

Youth Villages serves children and families who are facing serious behavioral, emotional and mental health challenges and also addresses social and economic priorities that strengthen communities. It provides residential treatment and community-based programs including an initiative to help young adults aging out of foster care make the transition to independent adulthood. One year after discharge from programs 86% of youth were living at home or independently, 94% were in school and/or employed and 88% reported no legal trouble. Youth Villages’ approach combines therapy with an academic curriculum including hands-on and creative educational experiences such as creating pottery in an art studio. The organization requests pottery-crafting materials that will allow students to achieve both their artistic and treatment goals.

3 Corporate Boulevard, NE, Suite 118, Atlanta, GA 30329 | youthvillages.org

Wish List

100 Pints, pottery glaze: \$1,688

200 Stoneware clay pieces: \$124

10 Paint brushes: \$37

Total: \$1,849



HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

The organizations in this section deliver services essential to well-being – clothing, food, medical care, access to technology and mental health support. Equity in health means equal opportunity to be healthy for all population groups in our community.



ATLANTA RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES (ARMHC)

Operating Budget: \$4,720,000

When vital pediatric care is not available near a family's home, uncertainties around accommodation, transportation and expenses can become sources of extreme emotional and financial stress, and in some cases can delay treatment. Atlanta Ronald McDonald House Charities (ARMHC) keeps families together at two houses that provide a community for families who are enduring similar challenges. Most families served would not be able to afford care for their children without these houses. The kitchens stay busy around the clock; both houses need a new microwave. The organization also requests grocery store gift cards to restock pantry items and to allow families to pick up favorite food and personal care items during their stay, as well as new iPads to expedite check-in and facilitate communication for staff.

795 Gatewood Road, NE, Atlanta, GA 30329 | armhc.org

Wish List

2 Apple iPads: \$1,212
2 Microwaves: \$552
160 Grocery store gift cards: \$3,200
Total: \$4,964

CLARKSTON COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER

Operating budget: \$298,000

Clarkston Community Health Center (CCHC) is a free health clinic with state-of-the-art, culturally and linguistically competent health care for Clarkston residents and those in need throughout north Georgia. It serves thousands of immigrants, refugees, uninsured and underinsured patients through specialty clinics, an onsite lab and free pharmacy. CCHC partners with top-tier medical and learning institutions that provide volunteer physicians and nurses for care that often diverts patients from emergency rooms. The pandemic and economic downturn has markedly increased the numbers of uninsured patients in need of care and many have limited means of travel. In order to provide immediate lab test results so that treatment is not deferred, CCHC requests diabetes and cholesterol test kits to ensure better health outcomes for patients.

3700 Market Street, Suite E1, Clarkston, GA 30021 | clarkstonhealth.org

Wish List

25 Diabetes test kits: \$2,425
20 Lipid profile cholesterol tests: \$2,480
Total: \$4,905

COR, INC.

Operating Budget: \$432,976

Students ages 16 to 24 from low-income families are seven times more likely to drop out of school than those from higher incomes. COR serves high school students who are marginalized by poverty and race-based educational inequities by removing non-academic barriers to learning and creating a school-based community. At Carver STEAM Academy, COR hosts the HUB, a safe space for early intervention programming and after-school activities, as well as the CORner Store, providing free clothing, food and hygiene supplies. Supporting students' mental and physical health is more urgent than ever today. Yoga in schools has been shown to impact students' academic performance and overall well-being. COR hosts drop-in yoga classes at Carver STEAM Academy and requests yoga equipment to outfit the school's designated yoga studio.

227 Sandy Springs Place, Suite D445, Atlanta, GA 30328 | whatsyourcor.org

Wish List

20 Yoga starter kits: \$799
20 Yoga bolsters: \$623
3 Yoga mat storage carts: \$795
Total: \$2,217

EVERY WOMAN WORKS

Operating budget: \$535,472

Around the world and in metro Atlanta, finding a job is much tougher for women than it is for men. Women also tend to work in lower wage jobs such as childcare, education, hospitality and retail positions. Every Woman Works (EWW) aims to move women from dependency to self-sufficiency, through a six-week virtual job readiness training program. Since 2004, 85% of participants have secured living-wage jobs. A majority of women served are single heads of their households with an average of two children. Women, especially women of color, are underrepresented in the technology job sector. EWW seeks computers for its Empowering Women Through Technology program, which provides computers to women for job readiness and adequate technology for children's schoolwork and other needs at home.

1030 Northpointe Trace, Roswell, GA 30076 | everywomanworks.org**FOUNDATION OF WESLEY WOODS**

Operating Budget: \$29,534,200

The severe shortage of affordable housing in metro Atlanta means that low-to-moderate income older adults currently do not have the housing options they need. Many of the residents of Wesley Woods have saved their entire lives but have outlived their resources. For others, low incomes have made it impossible to save for retirement. At Wesley Woods, seniors can find affordable housing along with assistive programming to remain active and connected to their peers. Finding a new hobby or skill can give seniors a new perspective, even a new lease on life, by keeping their minds and bodies engaged. Music is a wonderful way to achieve this engagement, and Wesley Woods requests musical instruments to help residents reconnect with each other through creative expression.

1817 Clifton Road, NE, Atlanta, GA 30329 | wesleywoods.org**HAND, HEART AND SOUL PROJECT**

Operating Budget: \$500,000

Clayton County has the lowest score in the region on United Way of Greater Atlanta's Child Well Being Index, meaning children there lack the basic opportunities and resources they need to thrive. The Hand, Heart and Soul Project takes a hyper-local approach in Clayton County to provide children and families access to nutrient-dense food and to offer nutrition and wellness education for early care programs. The organization partners with Black farmers, Atlanta Harvest and Wholesome Wave Georgia to provide weekly pick up for fresh groceries through its farm stand and offers hands-on nutrition classes and community conversations. It seeks to expand programming to additional sites, requiring an additional staff person. It also requests a chicken coop for the farm stand, for children to take part in the chickens' care.

993 Forest Avenue, Forest Park, GA 30297 | handheartsoulproject.org**Wish List**

10 HP computers: \$4,900

Total: \$4,900

Wish List

20 Ukuleles: \$1,200

Handbell set: \$1,680

6 Percussion packs: \$1,757

Total: \$4,637

Wish List

Garden educator staff member: \$3,000

Chicken coop: \$1,400

2 Chickens: \$600

Total: \$5,000

HEARTBOUND MINISTRIES

Operating Budget: \$281,318

HeartBound's mission is to support the entire prison community – incarcerated people, their families and correctional staff – changing the culture from one of crime and incarceration to hope and restoration. HeartBound addresses the root causes of incarceration (lack of education, poverty, trauma) and includes the insight of incarcerated people in program development. HeartBound provides life skills training, parenting classes, spiritual guidance, substance abuse counseling and rehabilitative programs for youth and adult offenders. Three years ago, HeartBound and Leavell College in New Orleans partnered to form the first women's prison seminary in Georgia. A new cohort of 13 women joined the seminary's Associate degree program for Fall 2021 and HeartBound seeks new laptops to assist these students with their classwork.

3626 Peachtree Road, NE, Atlanta, GA 30326 | heartboundministries.com**H.O.P.E.**

Operating Budget: \$80,000

It takes six to 15 generations to change the impact of poverty in the African American community, and a college education can significantly change the trajectory of families for the better. Low-income single parents enrolled in college often face burdens covering the cost of rent and childcare. H.O.P.E. helps to bridge these gaps while also providing financial training and counseling for adult students and their children. Nearly half of adults that H.O.P.E. serves are the first in their family to attend college and achieving a degree can lead to higher-income careers, breaking generational poverty cycles in minority communities. The organization requests Target gift cards that can help these single parents purchase winter clothes, holiday gifts and other essentials for their children. They also seek an updated Apple MacBook Pro.

PO Box 3166, Duluth, GA 30096 | hopbe.org**Wish List**

5 Dell Laptops: \$4,685

Total: \$4,685

Wish List

17 Target gift cards @ \$200 each: \$3,400

Apple MacBook Pro: \$1,600

Total: \$5,000

“The Extra Wish gift made a significant impact in our organization. Parents and children were incredibly grateful to have the tablets and connect with our virtual learning programs. The tablets also helped parents connect with other parents and share common interests and concerns, strengthening their sense of community.”

- Maritza Morelli, executive director, Los Niños Primero

MEALS ON WHEELS ATLANTA

Operating Budget: \$6,492,985

One in four seniors in Atlanta struggles to keep food on the table, and seniors of color, 91% of those Meals on Wheels Atlanta (MOWA) serves, are 2.5 times more likely to be food insecure. Over 56 years, MOWA has grown from a small soup kitchen to an organization serving more than 600,000 meals each year with delivered meals, a food pantry, home repair services and pet food. The pantry bag program stocks the kitchens of seniors who do not qualify for home-delivered meals, cannot afford groceries or get to the store, or who prefer and are able to cook for themselves. Pantry bags also contain a nutritionist-developed recipe kit that inspires healthier eating. MOWA seeks canned goods and other shelf-stable items to stock pantry bags.

1705 Commerce Drive, NW, Atlanta, GA 30318 | mowatl.org

Wish List

- 540 Canned goods: \$3,780
- 540 Gallon-sized bags: \$80
- 285 Shelf-stable milk servings: \$1,140
- Total: \$5,000

OAKHURST RECOVERY PROGRAM

Operating Budget: \$155,365

The Oakhurst Recovery Program offers free, long-term residential support services for indigent, homeless men with drug and/or alcohol addiction, providing a safe shelter for men to feel comfortable and at home while in recovery. Oakhurst restores residents by treating the underlying problems of chemical dependency, not just the emotional, intellectual and spiritual consequences of addiction. Recovery therapists are in long-term recovery themselves and can offer the understanding and patience clients need. Clients live, full time, in the home until they graduate, with the aim of rejoining families and becoming prosperous together. Oakhurst seeks new furniture and mattresses to replace older items in need of repair.

232 East Lake Drive, Decatur, GA 30030 | oakhurstrecovery.org

Wish List

- 5 Side tables: \$2,480
- 5 Dressers: \$720
- 5 Single mattresses: \$1,800
- Total: \$5,000

RAINBOW VILLAGE

Operating Budget: \$1,725,450

Since opening in 1991 in service to two families, Rainbow Village has grown to provide comprehensive year-round services for 30 families (100 individuals) each year. Rainbow Village keeps families together and accepts any composition of the family, including single parents, couples with children, families with teens and large families. It helps families on a path to self-sufficiency through mental health support, financial management and job training. The COVID-19 pandemic exacerbated transportation challenges as unforeseen job layoffs forced families to reconsider how they allocate their monthly income from paying for gas or car maintenance to funding for daily living necessities, childcare or medical emergencies. Rainbow Village requests gas cards and grocery cards to help alleviate expenses for families who may be food insecure.

3427 Duluth Highway 120, Duluth, GA 30096 | rainbowvillage.org

Wish List

- 100 Kroger gas cards: \$2,500
- 100 Kroger grocery cards: \$2,500
- Total: \$5,000

THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL GEORGIA

Operating Budget: \$4,992,112

When families are stable in their homes and have sufficient needs met they can build toward a better future, yet Georgia suffers from high rates of hunger, poverty and cost-burdened households. St. Vincent de Paul Georgia (SVdP) provides direct and in-kind emergency resources for families facing unstable housing, lack of adequate utilities, food insecurity or inability to pay for life-sustaining medication. SVdP volunteers are trained to provide personalized in-home (pre-pandemic) case management services. The organization also houses a community pharmacy that provides free prescription medication to low-income adults who are living with diabetes and/or cardiovascular disease. The organization seeks over-the-counter items, such as blood pressure and glucose monitors that can be cost prohibitive to patients but necessary to monitor and maintain their health.

2050-C Chamblee Tucker Road, Atlanta, GA 30341 | svdpgeorgia.org

Wish List

- 70 Blood pressure monitors: \$2,300
- 100 Glucose meters: \$2,000
- 50 Boxes of diabetic pen needles: \$700
- Total: \$5,000





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