

## *Needs...*

### *Women and children face serious challenges in Davie County.*

- *Davie Domestic Violence* served 250 clients in 2008, 149 of whom were new clients; 13 were children, 15 were male, and 121 were women. Since December 2006, there have been 6 deaths attributed to domestic violence in Davie County.
- *Female heads-of-household* with related children under five years old make up 70% of the families with income below the poverty level in Davie County.
- *Free or Reduced Lunch:* 35% (2,475) of students in Davie County are recipients of this program in 2009.
- *A Storehouse for Jesus* assists approximately 40 families in need per day.
- *Book Bags of Hope* provides food for elementary school children who do not have enough to eat on the weekends. The program is funded by community partners.
- *Females* make up 50% of Davie's population.
- *Children* under 18 make up 22% of Davie's population.



## *Luster...*

*As women we give of our time, talent, and treasure differently, and in diverse ways...*

*making each of us a unique "Pearl".*

*We want to be part of something*

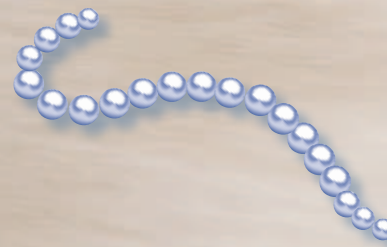
*bigger than ourselves... we want to give*

*back to our community... we want to*

*continue learning and growing so*

*that our lives reflect a true "luster"*

*as part of a lovely strand of pearls.*



## *Vision...*

### *Pearls of Empowerment envisions a community where women:*

- Have equal opportunities, skills and resources to be independent, self-sufficient and contributing members of the community.
- Are empowered and equipped to be leaders in the community.
- Are supported in their family role, without regard to family structure; and are active givers who share their time, talent, and treasure to better the community regardless of their economic status.
- Along with their children, are healthy and live in homes and communities without fear of violence.

*Pearls of Empowerment seeks to improve the lives of women and children by building a community of female givers who provide grants to local programs and initiatives that address the root causes of social issues impacting women and children in Davie County.*

## The "Strands" of Pearls

Like your grandmother's strand of pearls passed down to you and then to your daughter, Pearls of Empowerment consists of women of all generations and backgrounds residing in Davie County. We come together to pool our contributions, learn more about issues affecting the lives of women and children, and make funding decisions together.

As a member of Pearls of Empowerment you have the option of sharing your talent by serving on one of these committees:

- Grant Committee
- Membership Committee
- Education Committee
- Events Committee
- Marketing Committee
- Ad Hoc Temporary Committees

For more information, please visit Pearls of Empowerment on our website at [www.daviefoundation.org](http://www.daviefoundation.org) or call Jane Simpson at 753-6903.

**Pearls of Empowerment**  
**Davie Community Foundation**  
194 Wilkesboro Street  
P.O. Box 546, Mocksville, NC 27028

## Begin a Timeless Tradition

Over time, a grain of sand forms an enduring treasure. Your charitable gifts along with others form Pearls of Empowerment with gifts that touch the lives of generations to come.

You begin the tradition with your donation of a dollar a day. This simple act of caring combined with gifts from other Pearls will have a significant impact on women and children in our community.

Pearls of Empowerment gifts are held and maintained at the Davie Community Foundation, and members serve as the advisory panel to oversee the administration of the funds.

Pearls of Empowerment will sponsor educational events throughout the year on a variety of community needs. As the events occur, members will be notified.

Women who have fulfilled their membership commitment for the year will each get a vote on how the grants are awarded.

## Become a Pearl

Members contribute \$365 annually for a period of five years. The breakdown is as follows:

- \$300 is contributed to the grant making fund
- \$35 is contributed to the Pearls of Empowerment endowment
- \$30 is added to the program and operating expense fund

The five year commitment helps women realize that philanthropy is a lifetime venture and helps provide stability for Pearls of Empowerment. To be considered a voting member for the year, all donations must be submitted no later than June 30th for November grant making.

The Pearls of Empowerment Fund is a component fund of the Davie Community Foundation. The Davie Community Foundation is a 501(c) (3) tax-exempt, publicly supported organization serving Davie County. Contributions are fully deductible to the extent permitted by law.

**Send payments to:**  
**Davie Community Foundation**  
P.O. Box 546, Mocksville, NC 27028

*Note "Pearls of Empowerment" in the memo section.*



## Pearls of Empowerment Member Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred Contact:  Email  Phone  Mail  
Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
 I would like to make my gift anonymously.  
 I would like to get involved and serve on the following committee: \_\_\_\_\_  
 I pledge \$365 annually for a period of five years for a total of \$1,825. Payment(s) schedule is as follows:  
 Enclosed full payment of \$365  
 Three installment contributions to be paid in the months of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_  
I understand full payment is to be made no later than June 30 in order to be included as a voting member.  
 In addition to my annual pledge (above), I would like to contribute \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to the Pearls of Empowerment Endowment.  
 I am unable to become a member but have enclosed a donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to the Pearls of Empowerment Endowment.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*Please make check payable to the Davie Community Foundation and note "Pearls of Empowerment" in the memo section. Contributions are fully tax deductible to the extent permitted by law.*

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