

### **SEPTEMBER 24, 2018**

## SAVE THE DATES!

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 8, 2018 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Pearls of Empowerment Annual Meeting

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2019 Discover & Dine Event The COPE Experience

Invitations to follow

### **GRANT COMMITTEE AT WORK**

The Grant Committee is excited to announce that the 2018 Pearl's grant applications are in and voting is in process.

Seven agencies requested \$42,018 for projects to impact the lives of women and children in Davie County. Pearls has \$35,268 available to award.

The fifteen member Grant Committee interviewed applicants from each organization. <u>Summaries</u> for each project were made available for Pearls' voting members. Voting is via a Survey Monkey link, sent on September 19th. If you are a voting member, and have not received the summary or ballot, email dkoontz@daviefoundation.org

The voting deadline is October 10th.

When reviewing the summaries, keep in mind that our mission is to improve the lives of women and children by providing grants that address the root causes of social issues impacting women and children in Davie County.

If you are a member of Pearls via a group membership, your group leader/contact is the only member receiving the information. It is their responsibility to share it with the remainder of the group for voting purposes.

If you were current with your Pearl's membership dues on July 1st, you are eligible to vote.

### WELCOME NEW PEARLS!

Our "strand" continues to grow! Welcome to our newest Pearls:

Gina Bandy

Shana Bowles

Ashton Burton/Elizabeth Swicegood

Melissa Davis/Ashley Freeman

**Benita Finney** 

Angela Harris

Ashley Hewitt/Sandra Carbone/Meredith Hawkins

Pam Holcomb

Leah Lane

Anna Mitchell/Amber Butler/Annie Stroud

Presbyterian Pearl Power Group

LeeAnn Taylor/Malissa Godbey

Wendy Terry

DCCC Davie Campus Women



**Pearls Membership** 

# **GRANT SPOTLIGHT** Mission In Action

Instead of focusing on one agency Pearls has awarded a grant to, the spotlight is on all Davie County agencies and non-profit organizations.

Pearls Leadership team continually explores strategies to focus on our mission. In March, the grant committee chairs were directed by leadership to invite county agencies together to discuss and learn about common challenges in the community.

This conversation enlightened Pearl's Leadership to see there were many challenges facing our community and agencies had lots of work to be done. Agencies were excited to discuss how we can address together some of these community issues and came up with the following ideas.

1. Pearls adopted a special summer project to survey and document services available. The results are being compiled and will be sent and updated as necessary to county agencies for their use and reference. This guide will assist agencies as they serve clients and advise.

2. Agencies wanted to engage more with each other to share information concerning services they offer, as to avoid duplication of services. Pearls leadership is hosting quarterly luncheons for agencies to meet and share with each other. Pearls only role is to set up the meeting and provide lunch. The first luncheon was a big success with agency leaders expressing a desire to continue meeting.

Thank you for your commitment to Pearls of Empowerment and our mission to improve lives of women and children in Davie County. Pearls of Empowerment membership dues of \$365 are payable for 2018-2019 membership year.

To pay your dues by credit card, go to www.daviefoundation.org/donate/ and select Pearls dues in the allocation dropdown. Note that through the website, you have the option to set up recurring payments through your credit card. Or send a check payable to Davie Community Foundation, PO Box 546, Mocksville, NC 27028.

We encourage you to remain a strong supporter of Pearls of Empowerment. Together we can continue to make a difference in the lives of women and children in

the lives of women and children in Davie County!

For membership information go to www.daviefoundation.org/pearls or you may pickup or request a Pearls brochure from the foundation office. For existing membership status, contact dkoontz@daviefoundation.org

### 2017-2018 Grant Recipient Agencies





### Leadership Team 2018-2019

Chairperson: Marlene Shamel

Vice-Chairperson: Linda Dorsett

Secretary: Christine Bralley

Treasurer: Jane Simpson

Advisors: Darlene Fuller, past Chair

**Program Manager:** Debbie Koontz Education: Co-Chair: Patsy Crenshaw Co-Chair: Candy Poplin

**Events:** Co-Chair: Gloria Harris Co-Chair: Karen Myers

**Grants:** Co-Chair: Sharon Murphy Co-Chair: Susie Stovall

#### Membership/Marketing:

Tri-Chair: Molly Ridenhour Tri-Chair: Courtney Rowe Tri-Chair: Amanda Cranfill

### 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 cause of social issues impacting women and children in Davie County.

Join us as we impact our community!

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