

**DANIEL ISLAND'S ANNUAL
PHILANTHROPY REPORT**

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DANIEL ISLAND COMMUNITY FUND



Camp Rise Above - 2025 Grant Recipient

SECURING A LEGACY

DISCOVER THE IMPACT DANIEL ISLAND'S NONPROFITS MADE IN 2025.

2025 DICF & FOUNDATION RESIDENT BOARD

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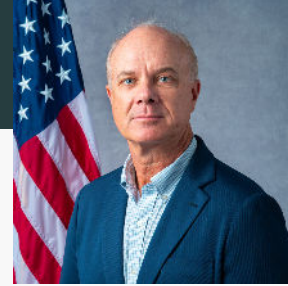
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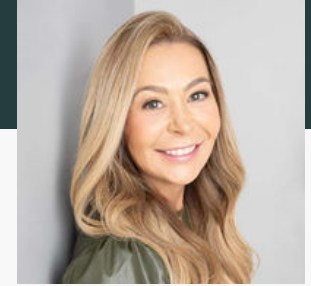
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR YEARS OF COMMITMENT AND SUPPORT

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

DANIEL ISLAND SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY GARDEN

The garden team is enhancing native plants and butterfly beds, which hosted many butterflies last fall. A new worm farm is producing castings for the soil, and efforts are underway to remove invasive species like the Chinese Elm. Student beds yielded sweet potatoes and radishes, while 16 community families maintain raised beds and care for the entire garden—keeping it thriving and welcoming for all.

DANIEL ISLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Artifact Show and Tell Day in partnership with the Charleston Museum. For the “Show & Tell” portion, they invited the community to bring in artifacts they have found on the island (or elsewhere) to show them to two archaeologists who helped identify them and share information about the items.



ANNUAL DANZIGER CUP KIDS FISHING TOURNAMENT

In its 14th year, the Annual Danziger Cup Kids Fishing Tournament drew 154 young anglers to Smythe Park for a morning of fishing fun, highlighted by a 24" mullet catch. The event also supported the Coastal Conservation Association, promoting and preserving coastal resources for recreational anglers.

RIVER SWEEP BEACH SWEEP

This year’s event welcomed 150 participants, continuing its growth from the 50 volunteers in 2024. In 2025, volunteers collected 660 lbs of debris, primarily plastic and food wrappers. Notable finds included a sheet of plastic (pictured), a construction pallet, and a large plastic jug; the latter two were too large for volunteers to handle and were removed with help from DI Field Ops.

DANIEL ISLAND FLYING FISH

We did it again! Huge congratulations to the Daniel Island Flying Fish Swim Team and Coach Rose for taking **FIRST PLACE** at the 2025 City Meet!

This marks our third-ever City Meet victory—and the third consecutive year our incredible team has brought home the top prize. What an amazing legacy in the making!

Our swimmers and coaches have proven once again that hard work, heart, and hustle lead to greatness.

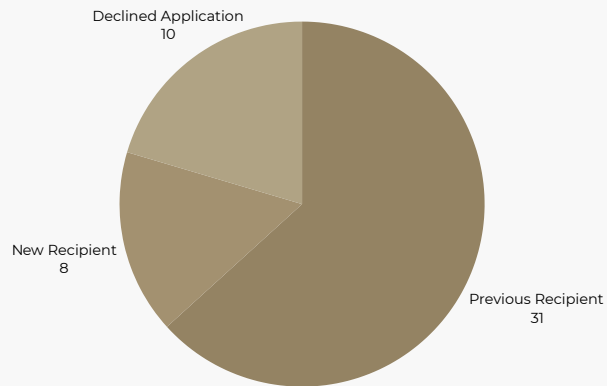


2025 GRANTS

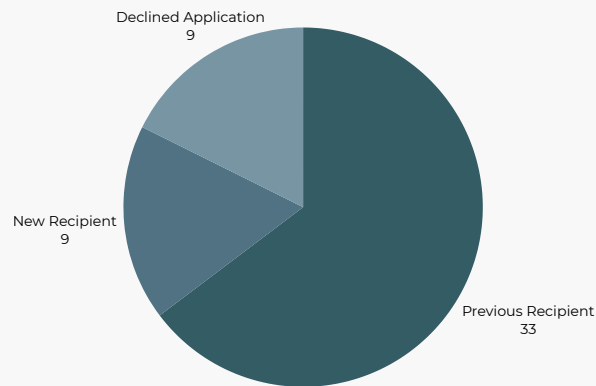
Pictured below is Scott, an East Cooper Meals on Wheels volunteer delivering a hot meal to Bill, a resident of Overture on Daniel Island.



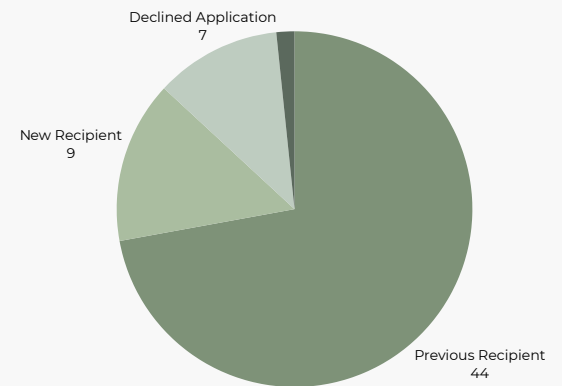
GRANT APPLICATIONS: 3-YEAR REVIEW



2023 Awards
49 Applicants



2024 Awards
52 Applicants

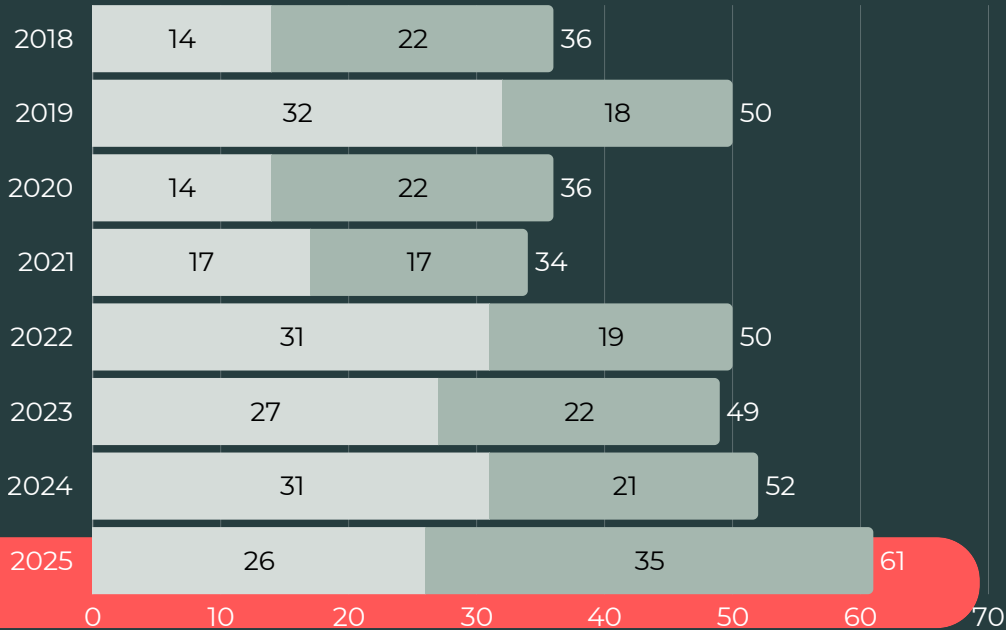


2025 Awards
61 Applicants

STEADY GROWTH

< the total number of applications received and reviewed over the last 8 years.

● April ● August



Young Life Mentorship Group Outing



\$643,238

AWARDED TO 53 NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS!

PS Elementary School and ArtsNow Program

Long line of food recipients in Cainhoy reflects the growing need—and community generosity—at the 2025 Feeding of the Multitudes food distribution.



DICF REPORT

By the end of 2025, we will have awarded more than \$1.1M in charitable giving via grants, capital projects, community initiatives, community events, and matching programs.

The complete list of 2025 DICF Grant Recipients can be found on our website: www.dicommunity.org.

Dr. Levi and Ms. Janet Wright, founders of Feeding of the Multitudes, in front of the new freezer purchased with DICF grant support.

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Items donated through one of the four drives held throughout the year.



FUNDRAISES & HELPS SUPPORT



Natural Disaster Relief



Special nonprofit needs as they arise.



Vehicle for potential nonprofit matches.

TEXAS FLOODS

The floods in Texas took place on July 4, 2025.

The Daniel Island Community Foundation initiated its fundraising efforts for The Salvation Army Kerrville, World Central Kitchen, and TEXSAR on July 14, 2025.

Fundraising brought in \$250, which was matched, and a total of \$500 was sent out for relief.



NATURAL DISASTERS



HURRICANE MELISSA RELIEF IN THE CARIBBEAN

As Hurricane Melissa swept through the Caribbean, the islands were left facing unimaginable loss and devastation. Families are without clean water, power, and basic supplies — but Water Missions was already there, on the ground before the hurricane hit, to help! We set a goal of fundraising and matching up to \$5,000 to aid Water Mission in their relief.

\$1,575 was raised for a total of \$3,150 donated.



NONPROFIT NEEDS



DONATION GOAL FOR 2025

We aimed to gather 500 pounds of donations by 2025. With the communities help, we surpassed our goal and collected 667 pounds through our 4 drives this year! These items have been donated to ECCO, Lowcountry Blessing Boxes, and Lowcountry Food Bank.



HALOS DRIVE

In 2025, DICF committed to sponsoring 100 children through the HALOS Angel Tree drive. We were successful in finding sponsors for all children and gifts were delivered to HALOS on December 8th.

MATCHING PROGRAM

Many property owners and businesses in our community generously support nonprofit organizations on their own.

In the spirit of philanthropy, the Daniel Island Community Foundation (Foundation) and the Daniel Island Community Fund (DICF) welcome requests for donation matching, helping to amplify the impact of their contribution.

Throughout 2025, a total of 41 match requests were submitted, amounting to \$274,521.53 donated.



Organizations That Received Match Support

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- Charleston Animal Society
- Charleston Bilingual Academy
- Charleston City Rowing Club
- Charleston Habitat for Humanity
- Charleston Jazz
- Cindy Lou's Legacy Sanctuary
- Dee Norton
- East Cooper Meals on Wheels
- ECCO
- First Tee Greater Charleston
- Friends of Berkeley Animal Center
- Friends of the Colleton County Animal Shelter
- House of Hope North Charleston
- Lifeline Children Services
- Lions Vision Services, A South Carolina Charity
- Lowcountry Food Bank
- Philip Simmons High School Band Booster
- Philip Simmons High School PTSA
- Point Hope Presbyterian Church
- Random Acts of Kindness of the Lowcountry
- Seen Moms
- Swing for the Lowcountry
- The Citadel Foundation
- Triple B Club for Bishop England

Request A Match For Your Donation

The annual match campaign provides Daniel Island property owners, renters, and businesses the opportunity to support local nonprofits they care about, while amplifying their contributions with a Daniel Island Community Fund match.

Qualifying for a donation match:

- The organization must directly affect our tri-county area.
- DICF will match up to \$2,500 per organization if funds are available. On a case-by-case basis, DICF will match more if the funds are available.
- Requests for matching funds are accepted year-round and will be reviewed collectively in December. The deadline to submit is December 10, 2026.
- Each household or business may submit up to 1 request for a donation match per calendar year.

How to Apply:

Match requests should be emailed to Danielle Stix at Danielle.Stix@dicommunity.org and must include the following:

- Organization name
- Brief description of the organization's mission and work
- Proof of your donation
- Explanation of why the donation qualifies for a match

Leveling the Fields - They run sports programs for girls in the Charleston area and redistribute used sports equipment to underserved youth.



Blissful Dreams Rescue Ranch

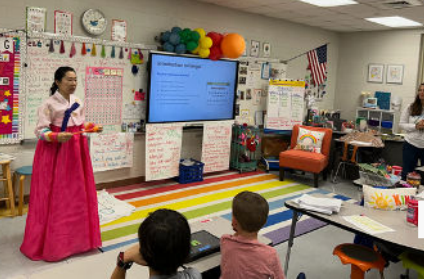


Vanya was able to canter Glee around by himself for the first time in the new saddle.



First Tee - Greater Charleston

Daniel Island School



National Marine Mammal Foundation

Hope Repair - Ceiling Repair - After

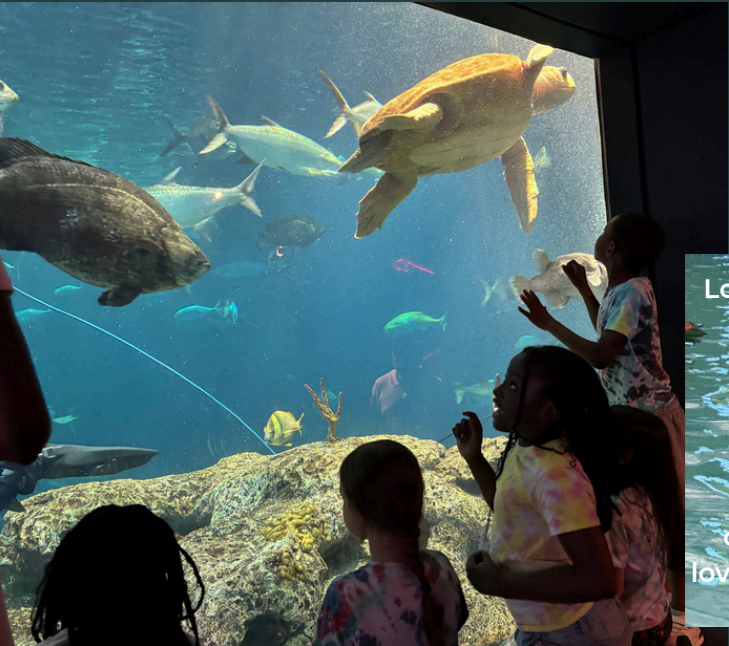


Before



PHOTOS FROM OUR GRANT RECIPIENTS

The Salvation Army after school programming



Charleston Stage Company



Lowcountry Autism Foundation



"B had the most amazing time! His swim coach is so sweet with him. He absolutely loves her. Everyone at Charleston Swim is very sweet and kind."



DICF Grants Committee Members Bill Stevens, Jim Morrill, and Colby Hollifield presenting Big Brothers Big Sisters with their grant award.

Stay In Touch

Keep an eye out for news and updates on our Daniel Island Philanthropy Initiatives by signing up for our resident weekly e-newsletter.

Simply visit www.dicommunity.org - scroll down to the box labeled "Sign Up For Our Newsletter!", hit "sign up" and follow all prompts. Once you sign up, you will begin receiving all weekly newsletters and important announcements.

Questions? Contact Danielle Stix at Danielle.Stix@dicommunity.org.

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