



The Sandy Springs Society Surpasses \$4 Million in Grants to Local Non-Profits \$258,000 in grants awarded to 30 organizations in 2020

SANDY SPRINGS, Ga. (June 2020) – [The Sandy Springs Society](#) (The Society), a charitable organization of women dedicated to improving the quality of life in Sandy Springs by supporting nonprofits in the community recently awarded \$258,000 in grants to 30 nonprofit organizations to support their efforts serving the Sandy Springs community. To date, The Society has awarded grants totaling more than **\$4 million**.

The Society awards grants annually as part of their mission to support programs that improve the quality of life for the residents of Sandy Springs. Through its annual grant process, The Society supports nonprofits in the community that promote the arts, heritage, education, the environment, and social services.

“The Society is proud of the local impact we have with grants to organizations that contribute a tremendous amount of good work every year to improve the quality of life of the residents of Sandy Springs.” said Susan Sutterfield, President of The Society. “We were particularly thrilled to be able to fund the social service organizations that are helping so many Sandy Springs residents impacted by the coronavirus pandemic.”

The Society raises money for its grants through fundraisers, corporate and foundation sponsorships, membership dues and other contributions. Premier fundraisers include:

- **The Elegant Elf Marketplace** was established in 2011 and is now in its tenth year. This stylish, two-day gift market features more than 90 carefully selected vendors who offer hand-crafted items, exquisite artistic creations and the latest gourmet delights. Over the past nine years, The Elegant Elf Marketplace has contributed more than a half million dollars to The Society’s grant program.
(On Facebook [@TheElegantElfMarketplace](#))
- **Tossed Out Treasures** is The Society’s longest-running fundraiser and supports the green movement by selling gently used upscale items that are donated each year by members of The Society and the community at large. The event serves as the ultimate, guilt-free shopping experience. Since 1992, Tossed Out Treasures has focused on reselling, reusing and “repurposing” designer clothing, high-end accessories, jewelry, antiques, books, household items, and more. (On Facebook [@TossedOutTreasuresSandySprings](#))

The 30 local grant recipients were selected through a highly competitive grants process. The Society’s all-volunteer philanthropy committee conducts site visits to all applicants and reviews applications and supporting materials. Click [here](#) for a full list of 2020 grant recipients.

“These grants would not be possible without the tireless dedication of our hardworking volunteers,” said Sutterfield. “Our membership is comprised of an amazing group of over 300 women who are resolutely focused on fundraising to help meet the needs of our community.”

Two such members were recently honored with The Society’s annual Blue Ribbon Award, an annual honor given to an outstanding new member for her involvement, enthusiasm and participation in the many



events of The Society. The 2019-20 award honored Angela Evans and Toni Stoughton for their active leadership roles in The Society's fundraising events.

To learn more about The Society, visit sandyspringsociety.org.

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About The Sandy Springs Society

Since 1988, The Sandy Springs Society has been dedicated to improving the quality of life in Sandy Springs. Originally founded to support Heritage Sandy Springs, the organization has expanded its efforts over the years to not only support the important work and history of Heritage Sandy Springs, but also other non-profit organizations that promote the arts, heritage, education, the environment and social services in Sandy Springs. To date, the Society has awarded grants of over \$4 million through their annual grants process. To learn more, visit sandyspringsociety.org.

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