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**THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF SOUTH ALABAMA AWARDS OVER \$270,000 TO
NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS WORKING TOWARD CLOSING THE OPPORTUNITY GAP
IN SOUTHWEST ALABAMA**

October 27, 2021 – The Community Foundation of South Alabama (CFSA) is pleased to announce it has awarded \$274,300 to 22 nonprofit organizations across its eight-county footprint in Southwest Alabama. These funds will support programs that are committed to narrowing the opportunity gap present among our local youth.

In a greater effort to aid youth in CFSA’s eight-county footprint, the primary focus areas of grant funding were expanded to include programs that address Racial Equity and Arts and Culture. Other focus areas include Family, Education and Work.

The 2021 Closing the Opportunity Gap grantees include Explore Center, Inc., Sav-A-Life Mobile, Inc., The Maynard 4 Foundation, Mobile Area Council Boy Scouts of America, Dance Without Limits Foundation, Dwell Mobile, Boys & Girls Club of South Alabama, Inc., Coastal Family Partners, Education 4 Life, Inc., The Atmore Area Christian Care Ministry, Dumas Wesley Community Center, Exchange Club For the Prevention of Child Abuse Mobile, Inc., Azalea City Center for the Arts, Mobile Arts Council, Goodwill Industries of the Gulf Coast, Black Belt Treasures Cultural Arts Center, Mobile County Health Department, Mobile Ballet, Impact Alabama, Alabama Arise, Mobile Symphony, McIntosh Elementary School.

“With the Closing the Opportunity Gap Initiative, the Community Foundation of South Alabama works to create strong, thriving children that will grow into capable adults who can contribute to a prosperous and sustainable society,” said Community Foundation of South Alabama President & CEO Rebecca Byrne.

For more information on the Closing the Opportunity Gap Initiative, please visit our website, communityfoundationsa.org.

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About The Community Foundation of South Alabama

The Community Foundation of South Alabama is a nonprofit charitable organization that plays a key role in meeting the needs of an eight-county region through leadership and grants. The Foundation serves as a vessel for donors, volunteers and the community to share ideas, identify issues and build financial resources necessary to make improvements and positively impact the community.

The Foundation administers a collection of charitable funds established by members of the community. Since its founding in 1976, the Foundation has awarded more than \$79 million in grants to nonprofit organizations to support programs that make life better in the community. The Community Foundation builds lasting endowments to ensure grants are available to support the community forever. For more information, visit www.communityfoundationsa.org.

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