

Dedicated to enhancing the quality of life in Las Vegas and its surrounding communities through service in the areas of family and children, women's issues, and education.



2015 ANNUAL REPORT

MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD CHAIRMAN



2015 was a very successful year for 20 Pearls Foundation, Inc. We increased our funding through the generosity of many of our partners, corporate sponsorships, a grant and individual donors. In May we were able to solicit sponsorships of over \$10,000 for our partner, the Theta Theta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority's scholarship program.

We were pleased to receive a Nevada State Humanities Grant. This grant enabled the Foundation to present a Lecture Forum in conjunction with

Theta Theta Omega Chapter's 50th Year Celebration. The Lecture Forum entitled, "The State of Affairs Concerning Equality in the Justice System", was held on the University of Nevada's Las Vegas campus. We want to thank our guest speaker, Johnnie B. Rawlinson, Circuit Court Judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, for a very informative message. We are also grateful to the panel, Judge Nancy Allf, Justice Elissa F. Cadish, and North Las Vegas City Attorney Sandra Douglas Morgan. A special thanks to Berna Rhodes-Ford, Esq., for facilitating the panel; it was a tremendous success. The audience requested that the foundation continue providing similar Lecture Forums.

In 2015, 20 Pearls Foundation was also successful in generating funds through fundraising partnerships and individual contributions which are now used for scholarships and book grants for college bound students. As a result of the many generous contributions, we were able to award \$9,500 in scholarships and \$800 dollars in book grants to deserving high school graduates. Our Foundation projects include the following; Foundation Fellows campaign, and Macys' Shop for a Cause Charity Shopping Day in the month of October.

A special thank you goes to the Nevada State Bank; one of our major donors, for their generous contribution of \$2500 for scholarships. 2015 was the second year in which we implemented our Perpetual Scholarships Program. Scholarship recipients will receive a \$1000 grant for each year of their four year studies. The perpetual scholarships were provided by six generous private donors. I personally want to thank all of our scholarship donors, for without you, we could not make this positive impact on high school seniors.

This was the first year that the 20 Pearls Foundation sponsored a "Bayou Classic Viewing Party" fundraiser. Since it was such a success, we are planning on making the Bayou Classic Viewing Party an annual fundraiser. I am very grateful to the committee for their efforts in making this event a success.

Thanks for all of your support in 2015. You have helped us to continue to expand within the greater Las Vegas community. We look forward to your continued participation.

Respectfully, Carrie Cecilia Peery, Board Chairman

20 PEARLS FOUNDATION, INC.'S MISSION

20 PEARLS FOUNDATION, INC.'S MISSION is to enhance the quality of life in Las Vegas and its surrounding communities, through service in the areas of family and children, women's issues and education. This Foundation is a 501 (c) (3) charitable organization, established in 2007. It serves as a nonprofit service organization for community involvement, and scholastic achievement. It is organized exclusively for charitable, educational and philanthropic purposes.

For the past six years 20 Pearls Foundation has solicited contributions for its Scholarship programs. This program includes \$1000 scholarships, and book (\$300-\$500) for deserving high school graduates. The foundation is particularly proud of its **Perpetual Scholarship** program that provides a \$1000 grant for four years to a graduate of a high school in the Las Vegas community. There are six donors for this program therefore a total of \$6000 is given out each year for a total of \$24,000 grants to assist the student in completing their education.

Our fundraising projects include the following; Foundation Fellows campaign in the month of October. We also solicit donations online for our Nevada Big Give, and the Razoo Campaign days.

20 Pearls Foundation is dedicated to serving the community. One of the ways in which we have strived to do this is by serving as the Fiscal Agent for Theta Theta Omega Chapter's Emerald Ball.



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FUND DEVELOPMENT



Bayou Classic Big Screen Viewing Party at Desert Pines Golf Club, Las Vegas, NV

Left; Brenda Dumas, Vice President of 20 Pearls Foundation, Carrie C. Peery, Chairman and the two Queens of the Bayou Classic Viewing Party event.

The Theta Theta Omega Charter members and 20 Pearls Foundation supporters, Lois Bolden and Barbara Kirkland were chosen as the queens of the first annual Bayou Classic Viewing Party held in Las Vegas, Nevada. The event raised over \$1750 support of the 20 Pearls different scholarship Foundation programs.

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2015 Fiscal Statement of Activities

- Income
- Expenses
- Total Income

INCOME

Scholarships Revenue: Public Support, Individual Contributions Event Sales Barbara Kirkland Scholarship	\$46,934.42 \$49,837.36 \$1,000.00
TOTAL REVENUE:	\$97,771.78
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EXPENSES/EXPENDITURES Programs	\$12,790.00
(Administrative Fee .25*4500)	
Sub Total Program Expenditures	\$56,708.37
Expenditures Scholarships Book Awards	\$12,250.00
GRAND TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$81,748.37
Total Income	\$16,023.41



20 Pearls Foundation Inc., was pleased to present a special lecture in cooperation with Nevada Humanities and Theta Theta Omega Chapter. A grant obtained by 20 Pearls Foundation provided funding to sponsor the 50th Anniversary Friday Lecture Program. The lecture was made free to the public due to this grant.

The evaluations showed that this was a highly successful program and that the participants and audience would like to see this program continued.



Theta Theta Omega Charter Members, Panelists and President of AKA TTO and 20 Pearls Foundation Board Chairman



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20 Pearls Foundation Supports Scholars



<u>Nevada State Bank</u> <u>Scholarship</u> awarded to: *Devin Ford* Devin attends Texas College in Tyler Texas and majors in Hotel Administration and Business. His goal is to be a Chef and own his own restaurant.



Barbara Kirkland Scholarship; awarded to: Marissa Villano Marissa attends Adelphi University, in Long Island, New York and is majoring in Nursing.

Congratulations to the scholarship and book awards recipients and their families. Awards were presented at the annual Scholarship Luncheon hosted by TTO, the Kappa Xi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., the 20 Pearls Foundation Inc. of Las Vegas, NV and the Omega's Charitable Foundation.



20 Pearls Foundation. Inc. Perpetual Scholarships and Book Awards

Perpetual Scholarship Recipients

Tia Coward – The Bertha Pendleton Achievement Award Mercie Davis – The Barbara McCants-Hill Fine Arts Award Amelinda Futsum – The Billie Knight Rayford Community Service Award Kendra Patterson – The E. Lavonne Lewis Leadership Award Dajeau Mayfield – The Sandra Stewart Bass Humanitarian Award Jade Roldan – The Sherri Sullivan Educational Award

Book Award Recipients

Rediet Ayele- \$300 donated by Ethel Archibald Carlisha Freeman- \$300 donated by LaToya Mosley Keturah McCoy- \$500 donated by Amber White-Davidson

20 Pearls Foundation Supports Seniors

SENIOR THANKSGIVING BASKETS DISTRIBUTION

20 Pearls Foundation Inc., partnered with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc, Theta Theta Omega Chapter and Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. in preparing and distributing Thanksgiving Baskets to needy senior citizens in the Las Vegas community. This year, the foundation and the partnering organizations donated food to approximately 200 seniors.

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS

20 Pearls Foundation partnered with several other organizations in 2015, positively impacting the community through service projects and with monetary donations.



Thanksgiving Baskets for Doolittle Senior Program - \$150 donation and volunteer hours.



2015 Economic Summit - \$250 donation to Theta Theta Omega *"Money Matters"* Seminar which included a partnership with Costco Stores. (\$100 grant.) 20 Pearls Foundation, Inc., welcomes the opportunity to partner with other organizations to provide programs that can improve our community and match our mission. 20 Pearls continues to seek community partners in large and small corporations, health and human services agencies as well as other charitable foundations and organizations. For more information on our programs or becoming a partner, contact our chairman Carrie Peery at (702)658-9513.

CORPORATE SPONSORS

A special thanks to all of our donors. We appreciate your support throughout this year and look forward to your support in the future.





We're glad you took a few seconds to support the residents of Las Vegas metro area and Clark County with your thoughtful donation. Thank you for contributions to 20 Pearls Foundation Inc. We appreciate your generosity. Your contributions make a considerable difference in the lives of those we serve. General contributions by check, money order or credit card may be made payable to 20 Pearls Foundation, Inc., and mailed to 20 Pearls Foundation, Inc. Attn: Gifts and Donations P.O. Box 97854 Las Vegas, Nevada 89193-7854

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