

# Springs Close Foundation

Screen Shots

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2008

Foundation provides \$300,000 to help Lancaster County Schools launch the GEAR-UP program, focused on helping more students stay in school, graduate and participate in post-secondary education.



2009

Rock legend Bruce Springsteen partners with the Foundation to provide \$100,000 to hunger relief efforts in Chester, Lancaster and York Counties.

## Welcome

### The Legacy of Giving Back

Welcome to The Springs Close Foundation. Built from the prosperity of the Springs Textile Mills and driven by Colonel Elliott White Springs' legacy of giving back to those who helped his family prosper, our roots run deep in the communities we serve.

Times have changed a lot since Col. Springs started his Foundation in 1942. The places where the Springs Close Foundation makes grants – in Chester, Lancaster and York Counties – are different places in many ways. The current economic recession is a big challenge but our commitment is unwavering.

In response to the high unemployment and economic distress in our communities, The Springs Close Foundation currently is focusing its efforts and resources to provide critical basic support – food, shelter and medical assistance – to those in need. We will only consider grant applications from qualified nonprofit organizations that can effectively deliver these services. The Foundation also will continue its no-interest student loan program.

### Foundation Helps Feed Hungry Families

The Springs Close Foundation is partnering with Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina and the Fort Mill School District to send food home every Friday during the school year in the backpacks of children at risk of hunger on the weekends when school meals are not available. A \$10,000 grant from the Foundation will start the program for 100 students attending the district's seven elementary schools.

### Springs Close Spotlight Springsteen and Springs Close Fight Hunger

Legendary rocker Bruce Springsteen brought more than just a great concert to our community last fall. He also brought \$50,000 to fight hunger – matched by another \$50,000 from the Springs Close Foundation. The \$100,000 gift went to Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina to support hunger relief efforts in Chester, Lancaster and York Counties in South Carolina.



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## Colonel Springs

had a deep concern for the people who worked in his textile plants. He was particularly concerned with young people and helping them achieve the best in life. The following vignettes illustrate the highlights of his legacy >>



## Grantmaking

### Recent Grants

The following is a list of grants made by The Springs Close Foundation, Inc. in 2009 and 2010 (to date).

#### Board Of Directors Meeting April 2009 Grants:

- **A Place for Hope** - Community Support Coordinator \$15,000
- **Christians to Feed the Hungry** - food and gasoline costs for the indigents \$10,000

**Total: \$25,000**

#### May - November 2009 Grants:

- **Christian Services, Inc.** - Food Bank \$2,500
- **HOPE in Lancaster** - Prescription assistance \$2,500
- **Great Falls Relief & Assistance Services** - Utilities, prescriptions and food \$2,500
- **Interfaith Hospitality Network** - Medication and physicians fees \$2,500
- **Lancaster County Council on Aging** - Home delivered meals \$2,500
- **KARE in Kershaw** - Utilities and rent assistance \$2,500
- **Second Harvest Food Bank** - 12 mobile pantries in Lancaster County \$40,000
- **The Haven Men's Shelter** - Transitional housing for 12 men \$2,500
- **Chester Ministerial Association** - Food Bank \$2,500
- **Fort Mill Care Center** - Back to School Backpack Project \$1,500
- **Senior Services of Chester County** - Transportation costs for seniors \$1,500
- **Fort Mill Care Center** - Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners \$2,500
- **Second Harvest Food Bank** - Bruce Springsteen Challenge Grant \$50,000
- **Chester County Farmers Market** - "Putting Healthy Food within Reach" \$2,500
- **Loaves & Fishes Community Café** - Soup Kitchen in Chester \$2,500
- **Deliverance Work of Faith Church** - "Lifeline Project" \$2,500

**Total: \$123,000**

#### Board Of Directors Meeting November 2009:

- **The Haven Men's Shelter** - "Road to Success" Program \$15,000
- **Palmetto Volunteers in Medicine** - Expansion of Clinic Patient Services \$25,000
- **Family Promise of Lancaster County** - Case Manager Position \$30,000
- **Pilgrims' Inn** - Dorothy Bing Inn Homeless Shelter \$20,000
- **Good Samaritan Medical Clinic** - Direct Patient Care Services \$21,200
- **Upper Palmetto Chapter-American Red Cross** - Emergency Assistance \$20,000
- **Interfaith Hospitality Network of York County** - Family Center Operations \$20,000
- **Community Advisory Fund** - Chester and Lancaster County & Fort Mill \$45,000
- **United Way** - Chester, Lancaster & York Counties \$60,000

**Total: \$256,200**

### Grantmaking

#### [How to Apply for a Grant](#)

#### [Philosophy and Guidelines](#)

#### [A Place for Hope](#)

When most of us think of living in complete poverty with dilapidated housing, no running water and no electricity, we think of a third world country. These conditions, however, are right here in the Blackmon Road Community between Rock Hill and Chester County. For generations, this has been the most underserved community in the state of South Carolina. [A Place for Hope](#) provides residents of Blackmon Road with material resources, hands-on education, job development programs and a new sense of hope for themselves and their community. [Read more](#) about the incredible transformation taking place here.



# Secondary Page

1969

The Foundation supports Fort Mill School District teachers who take workshops in Language Arts and Reading.



1971

Three decades of Foundation investments in community programs approach \$30 million.

## About Us

### News & Publications

Items on this page require *Adobe Acrobat Reader®* (which you can download for free.)

- [Foundation announces 2009 and 2010 grants.](#)
- [Foundation helps Bruce Springsteen fight hunger in our communities.](#)
- [2007 annual report.](#)

### Events Gallery

#### Foundation Helps Feed Hungry Families - Summer, 2010

In August and early September, the Springs Close Foundation partnered with Second Harvest Food Bank of MetroLina to deliver 75,000 pounds of food via mobile pantries to five sites in the Fort Mill area. This effort was part of the Foundation's ongoing work to fight hunger in Chester, Lancaster and York Counties.

During the summer month of 2009, 12 mobile pantries were held throughout Lancaster County delivering 180,000 pounds of food to needy families.

*Click the photo to view images from this event.*



Foundation Helps Feed Hungry Families

### South Carolina Grantmakers Network

The Springs Close Foundation maintains a number of professional relationships with regional and national organizations. These connections help us learn about best practices to bring home to our communities and new ideas for improving the quality of life.

[Southeastern Council of Foundations](#)

[National Center for Family Philanthropy](#)

[South Carolina Network of Grantmakers](#)

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