

# THE QUACK IS BACK!

## FOR THE 17<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL REEDY RIVER DUCK DERBY

2019 **BEST** of the **Upstate**

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Rotary   
Club of the Reedy River Greenville



MAY 1, 2021 | FALLS PARK ON THE REEDY  
10:00AM – 4:00PM | DUCK RACE: 2:30PM

## THE DUCKS WE SUPPORTED LAST YEAR

**The Dictionary Project** assists all third grade students at Robert E. Cashion Elementary School to become good writers, active readers and creative thinkers by providing them a gift of their own personal dictionary.

**EAFK** teaches students character traits, based on virtues of knighthood, through a daily curriculum that includes Rotary's Four-Way Test.

**Friends of the Reedy River** will develop a video series to present to community organizations and students to expand their educational outreach to protect and improve the Reedy River.

**Girls on the Run's** mission is to inspire girls to be joyful, healthy and confident using a fun, experience-based curriculum which creatively integrates running. It is designed for girls in grades 3-8. They meet twice weekly for 1.5 hours (total of 21 lessons) during the spring and fall seasons using curriculum designed to cultivate life skills. This year, our club was able to support a full team of 20 at Robert E. Cashion Elementary School.

**Habitat for Humanity** will be able to provide financial relief to focus on food and health that has never been so important to families.

**Jasmine Road** will develop and deliver resources and services in a time where human trafficking, prostitution, and addiction are on a rise in Greenville County.

**Loaves & Fishes** will increase their efforts to fight hunger in the community in a time of so much uncertainty and need like never before.

**The Mauldin Miracle League** annually serves over 140 individual children and young adults with physical and developmental challenges to provide a safe environment for those individuals to play baseball. Because of our grant, uniforms will be provided so that all of the players will have the full experience.

### **Roper Mountain Science Center**

This summer, Roper Mountain Science Center broke ground on a 28,000 square foot Environmental Science and Sustainability Center. The building will feature 7 state-of-the-art classrooms and a variety of hands-on learning experiences. The grant we will provide will support the development of an outdoor pollinator garden that will provide our club with naming rights and service opportunities. This garden will be another learning opportunity for students and community members who visit the center.



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**Rotary International Global Project** provides clean water, sanitation and hygiene facilities to remote villages in Honduras.

### STRIDES

The Greenville County School district serves about 76,000 students, of which about 12,000 live in areas of concentrated poverty, half of whom (particularly in the lower grades) are testing below the state standards in math and reading. STRIDES offers intensive one-on-one tutoring, using a curriculum that has been documented to improve skills by one-grade level in 10-15 hours.

Part of the fee for tutoring is paid by parents, on a sliding scale. The rest of the cost is provided by grants, such as what we are able to provide to STRIDES. The money we are able to give to STRIDES will support scholarships for 6 students. That is 6

students who will get the help they need to feel successful and be able to read, and have a better chance of graduating from high school.

**Trees Upstate** works with schools, neighborhoods, parks and businesses to plant trees, as well as educate the community and partners on how to plant and care for trees, promote the benefits of trees, and protect existing trees. The grant money we are able to give to Trees Upstate this year will fund another 50 trees to be planted in the upstate.

**United Ministries** will be able to support services (access to showers, restrooms, use of phones, lockers, washers & dryers) at the Place of Hope day shelter for individuals who are chronically homeless or indigent.