

2024 Annual Report



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About Friends For Life

The Friends For Life (FFL) Foundation was established in 2004 by the Phi Phi Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. for charitable, scientific, religious and educational purposes.

FFL's mission is to support quality of life improvements for the disadvantaged in North Fulton, Georgia and to financially assist individuals and organizations in our community which enhance education, family, health, economic empowerment and the arts.

FFL is organized solely for non-profit purposes, as defined in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.





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FFL 2024 Highlights

RISE, Reaching and Impacting Scholars for Excellence, is FFL's signature program. The leading module of the program is Today I Read, Tomorrow I Lead, which encourages and motivates elementary aged students to read and improve their reading skills. Participating students receive monthly books. At the end of the reading year, book awards are presented to students with the highest number of pages read.

At its annual **Heart of Giving** Scholarships & Community Awards Luncheon (originally called the Spirit of Giving), FFL awards Pearl Investment Initiative grants to non-profit organizations who share in its mission to support quality of life improvements for the disadvantaged in their communities.

Additionally, FFL currently awards and/or administers **six scholarships**:

- Bettye Lewis Maye Scholarship
- Aricka Amos Burrell Memorial Scholarship
- Barbara J. Mitchell Jefferson Book Award
- Young Women with Excellence in Science, Medicine & Technology Scholarship Gordon M. and Roberta R. Payne Vocational Scholarship
- Ruby Watts Campbell Excellence in Reading Award







Over the last 20 years, FFL has awarded more than \$700,000 in grants and scholarships to deserving scholars and non-profit organizations.

FFL sponsors a biennial **Strands of Elegance Leadership Development and Cotillion Program**, culminating with a Cotillion ball, showcasing the beauty, academic achievement and high standards of young Black women in our community. Through our Strands of Elegance Cotillion Program, which started in 2001, FFL has introduced more than 150 young women to society.

In 2022, FFL started a new fundraising event, **Friends On The Green Golf Charity Event**, which allows the Foundation to partner with corporate and community supporters who share in our commitment to making our world a better place for all.

All proceeds from this event go back to the community through grants and donations given at Heart of Giving.

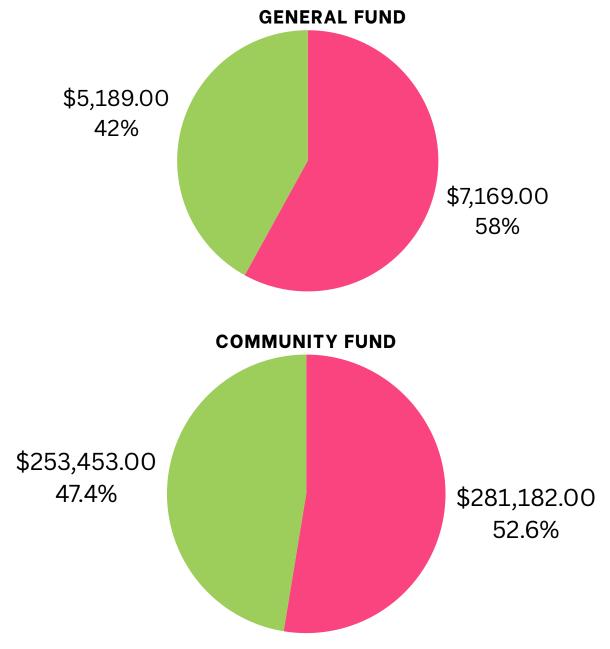








FFL 2024 Financials



Peak CPA Services completed an external audit of FFL's cash management controls in November 2024 for the previous year and found operations to be in accordance with auditing standards.

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