



# MAKING WAVES FOUNDATION

## *Community Impact Update*

### A NEW YEAR, A NEW BOARD, THE SAME MISSION

The Foundation's newly seated Board of Directors held it's first meeting of the fiscal year

On Monday, October 11, 2021, the newly appointed Board of Directors for the Making Waves Foundation convened to review grant applications from eight local non-profit organizations received in response to the community grant offering for FY2022 first quarter. The Board moved to approve all requests for assistance totaling 3,445 in transportation passes received this quarter.

The activities of the Making Waves Foundation were suspended effective March 2020 with the onset of the health crisis. The need for reinstatement of Foundation activities and a new governing board for FY2022 (July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022) was realized as demand for assistance on behalf of community organizations began to increase. In July 2021, the Foundation released the community grant offering and associated, quarterly grant cycles for the current fiscal year.

In September 2021, three talented women were appointed to serve as the governing board for the Making Waves Foundation. These professionals have and continue to demonstrate their commitment to improving the local community through career ventures and volunteer activities, including service on the Making Wave Foundation Board.

Ms. Brogdon-Primavera, the Foundation's Chairwoman, serves as the Director of Initiatives for the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce; Ms. Harrington, Vice Chairwoman, is the Owner and Founder of Smart Moves Consulting; and Ms. Sarah Arthur, the Foundation's Secretary, serves as the Manager of Community Engagement for New Hanover Regional Medical Center.

## BOARD MEMBERS



*Laura Brogdon-Primavera, Chair*



*Adrienne Harrington, Vice Chair*



*Sarah Arthur, Secretary*

## STAFF

*Megan Matheny, Foundation Manager & Wave Transit Deputy Director*

## WHO WE ARE

The mission of the Foundation is to provide transportation fare subsidies to nonprofit agencies who provide assistance to members of the community in need and individuals who otherwise would not have access to transportation. The Foundation is able to deliver on its mission through the a quarterly community grant offering.

## COMMUNITY IMPACT

The first community grant awarded on behalf of the Foundation occurred February 2012. To date, the Foundation has awarded 124 grants and distributed 34,744 passes representing just over \$118,000 in transportation assistance to local nonprofits and community organizations.

## WHAT WE DO

The MWF awards bus pass grants on a quarterly basis to local nonprofits that assist members of the community in need, and aids Wave Transit in raising funds to promote and improve public transportation in Southeastern North Carolina. For more information, to submit a grant application, or to support the work of the MWF though a tax deductible donation, please visit [wavetransit.com](http://wavetransit.com) or call (910) 202-2057.

## GRANT RECIPIENTS

*for quarter one of the fiscal year*

- **Coastal Horizons Center**
- **First Fruit Ministries**
- **Good Shepherd Center**
- **Mother Hubbard's Cupboard**
- **Salvation Army**
- **Sister Isaac Center**
- **StepUp Wilmington**
- **The Tides**

*Every day many of our friends, relatives, co-workers and neighbors struggle to access work, education, health care and employment because they can't afford transportation.*



## GRANT RECIPIENT SPOTLIGHT: THE TIDES

The Tides, Inc. was born out of a passion to help pregnant women as they navigate recovery from Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) and work to become healthy moms having healthy babies.

The Tides knows how important it is to help moms to learn ways to overcome obstacles in their recovery. As part of its comprehensive program, staff teach many skills to help moms move forward in their new lives with their babies.

## HELP OTHERS RIDE THE WAVE

For as little as \$4, you can sponsor one round-trip for a neighbor in need by making a tax deductible donation to The Making Waves Foundation.

No donation amount is too small in the effort to meet this critical community need.

Please contact Foundation Manager Megan Matheny to discuss donating: (910) 202-2057 [mmatheny@wavetransit.com](mailto:mmatheny@wavetransit.com)

Organizations can apply for funding by visiting [wavetransit.com/making-waves-foundation/](http://wavetransit.com/making-waves-foundation/)

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## FILM IN WILM

*Netflix & Amazon film at transfer stations, donate to Foundation*

***You'll recognize some familiar scenery in two upcoming productions from Netflix and Amazon Prime. Both Wave Transit transfer stations were recently used as sets for Netflix's Florida Man and Amazon's The Summer I Turned Pretty.***

***Wave Transit is happy to support the film local film industry by allowing productions to use our spaces as backdrops for their art. Both productions have made an investment in our passengers and neighbors by donating \$4,500 in total toward The Making Waves Foundation!***



*Amazon's 'The Summer I Turned Pretty' films at Padgett Station.*