

Pugh Family Fund at Community Foundation of Acadiana
Grantee Report

Hi,

The Pugh Family Fund is very interested in understanding how our grants affect the community so that we can increase our impact. As a grant recipient, please complete the following Grantee Report to assist us in measuring this impact.

In completing this form, please be sure to do the following:

- Keep the form to less than two pages. (We fund about thirty programs per year which means that we review sixty pages of reports.)
- Underline your responses so that there is a differentiation between the questions and the answers.
- Keep things simple
- Use Microsoft Word – as such, please do not create a PDF of this report.
- Place your organization's name in the header in place of the following text: "Organization Name"

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email me at nanpugh@pughfamilyfoundation.org and ask. Thank you for your time and all that you do for our community. Please have a good day!

Cheers,
Nan Pugh

Organization Name: The Shining Light Foundation

Program Director: Carolyn French

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Is this a mid-program report or final report? Mid-program

Date of Award: Nov. 2011

Telephone: 337-266-6055

Grant award amount: \$2,000

Date of this report: 02/23/2012

Narrative Report:

The narrative should refer to the original proposal submitted for funding consideration.

1. What was the purpose of this grant? (as illustrated in your application)

The goal of the project is to provide instruments, equipment and supplies, field trips and tutoring services to Lafayette Parish public school students, in kindergarten through sixth grade whose families cannot afford to provide them. Services are provided to individual students, rather than to groups, based on needs as identified by teachers, counselors and principals.

2. What did this grant accomplish? (Please be specific – e.g. number of families/individuals served, levels of activity undertaken, cash assistance, etc.)

With the funds from this grant, we provided \$639 to pay for 34 children to accompany their classmates on educational field trips. Included were trips to NASA space station in Houston, to the New Orleans zoo, to the local science museum, to Vermilionville, carolling, plays, and hayrides.

3. Give a brief explanation of the lasting impact of this grant in regards to both the population served as well as the community in general.

The lasting impact of this grant is to contribute to the healthy development of children and to breaking the cycle of poverty that results from lack of bonding and exclusion from educational activities. With these funds, we provide opportunities for children to cultivate new interests and talents, to gain knowledge from the activities, and to have increased peer group identification and acceptance. Letters of gratitude from unemployed parents confirm the significance of providing assistance during the current economic downturn. We truly believe that your grant fulfills our mission that "every child's light should shine." There is no doubt that this program has a very positive impact on our community.

4. Did you have any struggles in orchestrating this program?

Our primary challenge has been limited funds when the needs are so great. We have been forced to deny assistance to requests from students in schools outside Lafayette Parish.

- a. What have you learned from conducting the program?

We have learned the value of our efforts and the need for expanding our program through the extensive positive feedback we have received from teachers, counselors, principals, and representatives from the office of the Superintendent of Lafayette Parish Schools.

- b. What would you do differently?

We would expand our program if funds were available. We are aware of the need for our assistance in grades beyond K-6, and also for the need of this program for students in neighboring areas.

5. How can we further assist you?
Please continue to validate and encourage our organization through your support and financial aid.

Financial Report

Please provide detail of the fiscal activity for the funded project.

Program/Project Expenses

Item	Amount
Ernest Gallet, 3 students	\$19.50
Duson Elem, 2 students	\$17.00
Woodvale Elem, 2 students	\$21.00
Prairie Elem, 27 students	\$581.50
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Budget Notes:

Explain substantial differences from the proposed budget and the actual costs.

There are no substantial differences from our proposed budget and our actual costs for field trips. We normally anticipate substantially more field trips in the spring months of the school year. We have not included costs for band instruments, however. These will be included in our final report to you.

Additional Notes/Comments:

Please feel free to add supplemental documents to illustrate the success of your program/project.

Submit to:

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