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THE ST. JOE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION DONATES \$5,000 TO SOUTH WALTON YOUTH FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Santa Rosa Beach, Fla. – (September 26, 2013) – The St. Joe Community Foundation, Inc. donated \$5,000 to the South Walton Youth Football League for the purchase of new football helmets. Inside each helmet is an inflatable cushion that allows the player to customize the helmet's fit to offer better protection. The Taylor Haugen Foundation was also instrumental in helping the South Walton Youth Football League obtain the helmets.

The Taylor Haugen Foundation was founded in 2008 after the untimely death of 15 ½ yr-old Taylor Haugen in a football accident at Niceville High School. His parents, Brian and Kathy Haugen have diligently pursued helping football youth play safer in Taylor's honor. The Foundation provides grants, education and funding to athletic teams, schools and districts through its Youth Equipment for Sports Safety (YESS) program, as well as recognizing and supporting outstanding scholar-athletes with scholarships and awards.

"The St. Joe Community Foundation, Inc. is pleased that our donation enabled the South Walton Youth Football League to purchase new helmets for their players," says Janet Greeno, Executive Director for the Foundation. "We are also honored that our relationship with the Taylor Haugen Foundation has proven beneficial to the South Walton Youth Football League."

Last year, The St. Joe Community Foundation donated \$5,000 to Taylor Haugen Foundation for the purchase of safety equipment for the Emerald Coast Middle School and South Walton High School football teams.

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About the St. Joe Community Foundation

Since its inception, the St. Joe Community Foundation (STJCF) has provided more than \$17 million in grants to improve the quality of life in the communities it serves. STJCF provides charitable grants toward the civic infrastructure of communities primarily in Bay and Walton Counties. The Foundation's primary focus is on strengthening education, improving healthcare, protecting the environment and supporting local cultural interests. These efforts help build healthy, caring, long-lived communities. For more information, visit www.stjcf.com.

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Representatives from St. Joe Community Foundation, Taylor Haugen Foundation and the South Walton Youth Football League accept St. Joe's donation of \$5,000 for safety football sports equipment.



Bottom Row L-R: Shelly Johnson, Serita Lindsay, Janet Greeno, Kathy Haugen, Nancy Fox
Top Row L-R: Josh Foreman, Brian Haugen

