

# Hope, Compassion, Strength and Faith



## Education for All

The St. Joe Community Foundation, Inc. (“the Foundation”) is proud to support improving education in Bay County. Foundation funding has been granted to educational nonprofits so that students have the opportunity to achieve their full educational potential at whatever stage they are at in their life.

The Foundation supports educational efforts that offer a measurement of success. The Foundation has endowed scholarships at Florida State University – Panama City and Gulf Coast State College in Panama City. These endowments enable the college or university to provide scholarships to students who may need financial assistance to continue to complete their degree.



For the K-12 students, the Foundation supports the Bay Education Foundation, an organization that provides many different programs to teachers and students in the Bay County School District that can enhance their education. One special program the Bay Education Foundation promotes is the “Take Stock in Children” program, which provides a paid 2-year college scholarship to a financially challenged youth. Each Take Stock scholar also has a mentor, an adult who serves as a coach and friend to the student. The Foundation has sponsored over 35 area youth in this program in the past 15 years, and is proud to see so many students in the Take Stock in Children program succeed and graduate from the

college or university they attended.

The Bay Education Foundation also provides other programs for teachers and students, such as teacher mini-grants, classroom grants, employee tuition assistance, awards of excellence, and graduating senior scholarships. The classroom grants enable the teachers to provide a quality educational program that will engage the students in a more productive way. For the graduating seniors, there are several senior scholarships they can apply for to assist them with their college educational costs.



### More about the St. Joe Community Foundation, Inc.

The Foundation began its funding of local nonprofits about 16 years ago hoping to help those in need in the Northwest Florida area who work, live and play in our beautiful surroundings. Since then, the Foundation has provided over \$18 Million to help improve our environment, assist with educational needs, help fund area healthcare needs, as well as promote and support the

arts and cultural events.

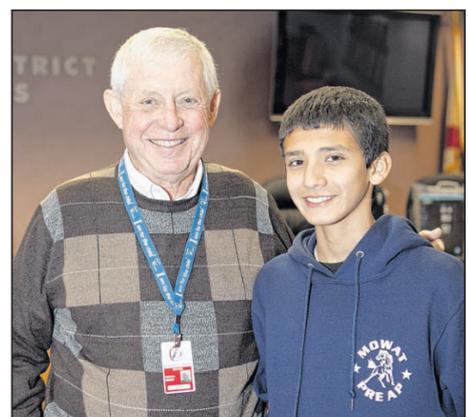
The Foundation was founded as a way to give back to Northwest Florida by The St. Joe Company. What began as an idea to help provide needed funding to a few local nonprofits has

grown to become a large contributor of grants to over 250 nonprofits in our area.



And the Foundation has not stopped in its quest to help make this area a great place to call home or to visit. In 2015, the Foundation funded a total of 74 nonprofits providing over \$1.1 Million to community programs in Northwest Florida.

For more information about the Foundation, to see recent contributions and/or recent check presentations, [visit www.Joefoundation.com](http://www.Joefoundation.com). Executive Director Janet Greeno can be contacted at 850-231-7402 regarding a grant application or can assist with any other questions you may have about the Foundation.



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