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Hurry, time is running out! Learn more about our scholarship requirements and how your senior can apply inside (if they can write 500 words, they may be eligible!)



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COOPER HURLEY INJURY LAWYERS

Since our founding, we have helped those who have been seriously injured in motor vehicle accidents.

We soon found that when helping is truly the core of your business, it goes far beyond the courtroom. Throughout the years, we have made significant contributions to non-profit organizations, churches, and individuals when they needed it most. In 2019, we decided to make our service and contributions official by creating **Cooper Hurley Injury Lawyers Cares**, an ongoing initiative to help meet the needs of Hampton Roads residents and charities. We do this through funding, volunteering, and exposure.

In this edition of our newsletter, you will read about some of our favorite "Cares" donations. Our initiative currently consists of our Focused Driver Scholarship, our annual Vote for a Cause campaign, and multiple donations to deserving organizations across Hampton Roads.



A Hickory High School graduate, Audry Feltner was one of our 2018 scholarship recipients. She's now attending Rowan University in New Jersey. Here, Attorney Bill O'Mara presents Audrey's scholarship check at our main office in Norfolk.



Evelyn's Wildlife Refuge is a local nonprofit organization that takes in 600+ injured, orphaned, and sick wildlife animals a year to be rehabilitated with the intent to release them back into the wild. In 2019, they won our Vote for a Cause contest.



We sponsor many sports and athletics teams that allow kids to develop their talents and reach their full potential. Last year, we were happy to give a donation to Ground and Pound Athletics, a Portsmouth-based sports team.

COOPER HURLEY INJURY LAWYERS

We Donated \$2,500 to Indian River High School!

Throughout the past year, we've been inspired by countless schools across Hampton Roads who are working tirelessly to adapt and bounce back from the pandemic. This April, we visited Indian River High School with injury attorney Bill O'Mara to present a well-deserved donation to the Chesapeake school for its students and staff.

Principal Naomi Dunbar received the donation and expressed her gratitude for our partnership. "The \$2,500 truly means a lot to us so that we can utilize it for our students and for our staff. I've been in the community now for 21 years, and truly, this is a wonderful place." Principal Dunbar thanked Bill for being an Indian River Brave for life. He is a proud Class of '00 graduate of the high school (along with his wife, Melissa), and his father substitute teaches there from time to time.

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"The school holds a special place in my heart and in my family's hearts, and we're happy to contribute," Bill noted while touring his old stomping grounds.

In our ongoing mission to support education and uplift students in the Tidewater community, we also recently donated \$500 to Nansemond River High School to purchase vital safety equipment that will help keep students and staff safe as they return to classrooms.

To learn more about Cooper Hurley Injury Lawyers Cares and its commitment to education, visit cooperhurley.com/community.

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Our \$5,000 Donation Provided 12,500 Meals to Local Families & Students

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During Fiscal Year 2019-2020, Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore distributed over 15 million meals through its programs and partner agencies* We're proud to donate to this powerhouse organization each year through recurring monetary donations and our participation in the annual Legal Food Frenzy, but Cooper Hurley Injury Lawyers partner John Cooper challenged us to go big this year with our \$5,000 donation.

Chief Marketing Officer Cassidy Lewis presented the donation to Foodbank Vice President of Programs and Development Emma Inman this February at their main headquarters in Norfolk.

"Hampton Roads has invested in us, so we want to make sure we invest back into Hampton Roads, especially in the areas of education and youth. The Foodbank is one of our favorite organizations that works every day to do that," Lewis explained.

Inman points out that Hampton Roads residents can help the Foodbank's mission in many ways. It accepts donations, welcomes volunteers, and wants people to spread the word about the vital job it is doing in the Tidewater area and beyond. The Foodbank details ways you can help on its website: **foodbankonline.org**.



Hampton Roads schools, students, and educators hold a special place in our hearts. We strongly believe that when our students thrive, our communities thrive, and we're proud to make significant contributions each year in the area of education and child development. We do this because our community deserves it.

This year, through our **Cooper Hurley Injury Lawyers Cares** initiative, we've committed to donate to support education and uplift students in the Hampton Roads area. As we continue to search for deserving education-based causes, we want your input! If there is a particular school or organization that you think we should support, send us an email at **info@cooperhurley.com** and let us know!

Celebrating Our Leaders in Education

We're proud to have supported our schools through donations, sponsorships, and scholarships every year since our founding. Along the way, we've met some extraordinary school principals who work diligently every day to support Hampton Roads students. Here are a just few:



Mrs. Lenthia L. Willie-Clark Southside STEM Academy at Campostella, Norfolk

With the motto, "Teamwork makes the dream work!" Mrs. Willie-Clark and her team work daily to bring STEM to life for every child who enters their school by providing rigorous and engaging lessons. In 2019, we were honored to donate about 30 coats to students over the holidays.



Mr. David Faircloth Larrymore Elementary School, Norfolk

At the Home of the Lions, Mr. Faircloth leads an outstanding teaching staff that is fully committed to developing their students' fullest potential. Last year, we donated \$5,000 to Larrymore—just before the start of the new school year—to help with the transition to virtual learning.



Dr. Shawn Green Nansemond River High School, Suffolk

Dr. Green leads a dedicated team of staff, administrators, and parents in serving a student body of about 1,700 #WarriorStrong students. This February, we donated \$500 to the school to help purchase hand sanitizer stations and refills for students and staff.

2021 Focused Driver Scholarship Program

Cooper Hurley Injury Lawyers will award <u>three scholarships of \$2,000</u> to 2021 graduating seniors in public or private schools in the Hampton Roads and Eastern Shore area. We are looking for insightful submissions from applicants discussing ideas on how new and experienced drivers can remain focused when behind the wheel.

HOW TO APPLY: (Hurry! Submissions close on <u>July 15th</u>!)

WRITE AN ESSAY

of 500-750 words about the dangers of distracted driving and how you think new and experienced drivers can stay focused while driving.

Great images, infographics, posters, art, or video will gain you extra points.



Email your essay to <u>scholarhips@cooperhurley.com</u> along with your (optional) presentation or unique artwork.*

You can also apply online at <u>cooperhurley.com</u>. Your submission <u>must</u> include a confirmed acceptance letter to study at an institute of higher education.



*If emailing your application, please include your first & last name in the subject line along with the name of the scholarship.

TIMELINE

submissions close July 15

winners selected July 22

winners notified July 26

WINNERS ANNOUNCED August 5

Meet Our 2020 Scholarship Recipients



Marguerite Jenson of Chesapeake, VA is majoring in Business at Old Dominion University. Look out for this future Fortune 500 business owner.



Ronnie Anderson of Chesapeake, VA is attending Virginia State University to study Mechanical Engineering. This future engineer will go from planning the best move on the football field to planning and designing the next best hi-tech machine.

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