



## **Fifteen Emerging Philanthropists Selected for Weaver Philanthropic Initiative Class of 2015**

JACKSONVILLE, Florida – January 15, 2015 — The Community Foundation for Northeast Florida ([www.jaxcf.org](http://www.jaxcf.org)) is proud to announce the selection of fifteen emerging philanthropists as members of the Weaver Philanthropic Initiative Class of 2015. The Community Foundation has been nurturing potential philanthropists for more than twenty years.

The Weaver Philanthropic Initiative Class of 2015 includes: Benham Bishop, Annie Bryan, Josh Bryan, Imani Hope, Alexis Kane, Ronnie King, Patrick Kilbane, Michael Miller, Lauren Rueger, Ted Rueger, Melanie Setzer, Martin (Ted) Stein, James (Buck) Williams, Susannah Williams and Darryl Willie.

The Weaver Philanthropic Initiative Class of 2015 was welcomed by program alumni and members of The Community Foundation's Board of Trustees at a reception on January 12. The class will embark on a six month education process, including opportunities to experience hands-on grantmaking. Along the way, members will learn about the critical issues and abundant opportunities that exist in our community. At its conclusion, participants will have a strong understanding of their own philanthropic leadership style, as well as an enlightened look at the grantmaking opportunities in our area.

The Community Foundation has been identifying and guiding the next generation of philanthropists through this program since 1999. In 2013, in recognition of the philanthropic leadership provided to the community by J. Wayne and Delores Barr Weaver, the initiative was renamed the Weaver Philanthropic Initiative.

For more information about the Weaver Philanthropic Initiative, contact Joanne Cohen, Vice President, Philanthropic Services at [jcohen@jaxcf.org](mailto:jcohen@jaxcf.org) or (904) 356-4483.

### **About The Community Foundation for Northeast Florida**

The Community Foundation for Northeast Florida ([www.jaxcf.org](http://www.jaxcf.org)), Florida's oldest and largest community foundation, works to stimulate philanthropy to build a better community. The Foundation helps donors invest their philanthropic gifts wisely, helps nonprofits serve the region effectively, and helps people come together to make the community a better place. Now in its 51<sup>st</sup> year, the Foundation has assets of more than \$300 million and has made grants in excess of \$278 million since 1964.

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