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CHARITABLE FOUNDATION



Dear Southern Kentucky,

As the Laura Goad Turner Charitable Foundation enters its 37th year, we hold fast to the guiding principles set by the legacy of my grandfather, Cal Turner Sr., founder of Dollar General. He established the foundation in 1989 in memory of my grandmother, Laura Katherine Goad Turner, whose life exemplified quiet generosity and a steadfast love of God, family, and community. These foundational principles were firmly shaped and stewarded by my Aunt Laura Turner Dugas, who led the foundation from 1990 to 2018.

We strive daily to let these values guide our mission. As our region grows at a rapid pace, we continue to lead by example – working to improve the quality of life and leaving it better for the next generation. We address both ongoing needs, and unexpected challenges across the communities we serve, always with an eye toward a brighter future for those who will follow.

The Laura Goad Turner Charitable Foundation has proudly reached a significant milestone in grantmaking. To date, we have supported 84 organizations, providing over \$38 million in funding. Since 2024, we have awarded more than \$2.8 million in grants focused on: Social Services, Arts and Culture, Health and Well-Being, Civic Engagement, and Faith-Based initiatives.

We have established scholarships at Western Kentucky University, Southcentral Kentucky Community and Technical College (SKYCTC), and the University of Kentucky helping open doors to education and opportunities for students across our region and state.

We take great pride in the ways we have believed in—and invested boldly for—South Central Kentucky: opening pathways to education; expanding health and wellness programs; creating spaces for recreation and fellowship; strengthening support systems for women, children, and underserved neighbors; and sustaining the arts that nourish our communities.

Our work is more than writing grants. It is listening, collaborating, and problem-solving alongside nonprofit partners. We walk with organizations to build capacity, overcome barriers, and craft solutions that lead to long-term success across Allen and Warren Counties throughout South-Central Kentucky.

With pride, we carry forward the Turner family legacy and remain committed to honoring that heritage as we step into a bright and exciting future.

Blessed,

Katherine W. Sisor

Executive Director
Laura G Turner Charitable Foundation



To promote individual and community empowerment in order to help meet the needs and better the quality of life of the citizens of Southcentral Kentucky.

