

## Who does Share Health Serve?

The Share Health Scholarship Program is used as a mechanism to further our mission and as a strategy to recruit and retain the public health workforce in the following counties:

Appling, Atkinson, Bacon, Brantley, Bulloch, Candler, Charlton, Clinch, Coffee, Evans, Jeff Davis, Pierce, Tattnall, Toombs, Ware and Wayne.

## How does Share Health serve the community?

Share Health engages partners on a grassroots level across the 16 counties of the Southeast Health District to identify and understand unmet health issues facing our rural communities. Focused community driven health initiatives result from this collaboration.

We have also committed to ensuring a highly-skilled healthcare workforce for the region through our scholarship program.

## How Can I Help?

Please make your donations online at:

[www.sharehealthsega.org](http://www.sharehealthsega.org)

or mail to:

P.O. Box 1718 Waycross, GA 31502

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**SHARE HEALTH SOUTHEAST GEORGIA**

## Our Mission

## Annual Scholarship Program

## Testimonials

Share Health Southeast Georgia is dedicated to improving the health of all generations in our sixteen-county community by cultivating partnerships and providing philanthropic and advocacy support to the Southeast Health District.

We accomplish our mission by:

- Engaging local community partners to help us identify local health issues and address them via community driven strategies.
- Utilizing data to identify and increase understanding of the issues and to determine the strategies necessary to address them.
- Opening doors to funding streams and resources traditionally unavailable to government agencies that allow us the means to address local health issues;
- Providing training via scholarships to retain a skilled healthcare workforce.

We maintain a close partnership with the Southeast Health District, one of 16 health districts in Georgia. The Southeast Health District is responsible for preventing disease, injury and disability, promoting health and wellbeing and preparing and responding to disasters in our 16-county region.

Each year, Share Health awards five \$1,000 scholarships- three to high school students from our 16-county service area who intend to pursue a degree in a health profession, and two scholarships to Public Health employees who wish to continue their education.

Our goal is to increase the number of scholarships we award yearly and to establish a reserve fund so that this important program can continue for many for years to come.

### OUR 2020 Scholarship Recipients



**Kinya Jones,**  
Nurse Manager



**Kristian Kirkland,**  
Public Health Nurse

**Juan Rosario-Rodriguez, DrPH**  
**Georgia Southern University**

*"The Share Health scholarship has helped alleviate the burden of certain costs associated with going back to school and has provided support in my overall goal of attaining my degree while still working full time for the Southeast Health District. My family and I greatly appreciate this benefit given to us by Share Health."*

**Jenna Harris, Certificate of PH**  
**Georgia Southern University**

*"I am so thankful for the scholarship. It covered the cost of all of my books and the rest went toward my tuition. I appreciate the scholarship opportunity so much, it was the motivation I needed to get back in school. The credits that I am receiving through the Certificate Program will go toward my Masters Degree which I am planning to start in the fall. The knowledge I have gained through these courses has already helped me in my career and I am excited to continue to learn and make a bigger difference in the lives of those we serve daily in our clinics. "*

Since 2016, Share Health Southeast Georgia has been able to support 21 healthcare students in their educational pursuits in 11 southeast Georgia counties.

### Why is this important?

Southeast Georgia faces chronic shortages in health professionals, from nurses and physicians to dentists and licensed professional counselors. Students from rural areas who graduate with a health professions degree are more likely to return to a rural area to practice.