

After long and thoughtful hours of discussion, the Board of Trustees of the Chatham Education Foundation would like to acknowledge the current environment that has resulted in the senseless killing of African Americans and social unrest in our country.

Throughout its history, Chatham Education Foundation has been proud to fund grants that reflect the goals of the School District of the Chathams, enhance the existing academic program, enrich the curriculum and educational structure, and are innovative and creative to teaching and learning. We will continue to fund grants requested by educators that spotlight diverse voices. These grants help raise awareness and advocacy among students for equally distributed liberties, such as the right to education and safety.

We are committed to doing more. We pledge to ensure that non-discrimination is explicitly and directly reflected in our activities. We commit our support to teachers who are engaging their students to understand the needs of community members and others who have historically not been heard.

We acknowledge that there is work to do, and we all have a role to play in order to improve the world we pass on to our children. This includes listening and learning and educating ourselves on the best way to progress towards a more equal and just society as a whole and programming that fosters a more inclusive environment.

We are listening.