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Magic City Newsmakers: BioHorizons, Rock N Roll Sushi, Lakeshore Foundation

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A look into news from the metro area's nonprofits and good works and philanthropic outreach from local businesses.

BioHorizons hosted a coat drive at its headquarters in support of The Just People Project. Collecting coats, blankets and sleeping bags, the donations were provided to the nonprofit organization, which is focused on serving homeless individuals in Birmingham with essential needs. The company's staff also collected more than 150 sweet treats to send to United States troops stationed in Dubai.

Lakeshore Foundation's Sports Science and Performance Center awarded six grants as part of its Sports Science Research Projects grant competition. Three grants were awarded to support investigators from institutions, including the University of Alabama and Rancho Research Institute. Additionally, three grants were awarded to graduate students currently being mentored by prominent leaders in the field.

Gov. Kay lvey has awarded about \$1.05 million in grants to eight organizations that serve victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and child abuse in 20 Alabama counties. That includes SAN Inc., also known as Turning Point, which has received \$96,720 for services including an emergency shelter, counseling, advocacy and assistance in helping victims of domestic and family violence navigate the criminal justice system. Hispanic Interest Coalition of Alabama, also known as Hispanic and Immigrant Center of Alabama (HICA), received \$108,579 to increase awareness in the Hispanic and immigrant communities about domestic violence and the resources available to victims and to provide training and support to service providers in Jefferson and Shelby counties. YWCA Central Alabama will use its grant of \$134,720 to provide services including a crisis hotline, a shelter, advocacy, legal services and counseling to domestic violence victims. St. Clair Children's Advocacy Center has received \$53,304 to serve victims of child abuse and neglect, child pornography, child sexual abuse and human trafficking in St. Clair County. Crisis Center Inc. will use its grant of \$404,996 to provide services including forensic exams, evidence collection and counseling to victims of sexual assault, elder abuse and human trafficking. SafeHouse of Shelby County Inc. has received \$80,720 to provide a variety of services to victims of adult physical assault, domestic and family violence, stalking and harassment. Family Resource Center of Northwest Alabama Inc. has received \$65,225 to provide services including information and referral, personal advocacy, emotional support and shelter to victims of domestic violence.

Rock N Roll Sushi is partnering with Reach and Teach, a nonprofit dedicated to providing students with the tools to plan, promote and execute a real concert on their school campus, for a fundraising campaign throughout November. Guests at Rock N Roll Sushi locations nationwide can participate by rounding up their purchases to the nearest dollar. The sushi brand matched all roundup donations up to \$10,000.

The Bold Path Fellowship will provide postsecondary students and recent graduates with the resources they need to achieve their career goals after a grant process.

Community leader Beth Thorne Stukes was recognized as Alabama's outstanding philanthropist by the Association of Fundraising Professionals' Alabama Chapter during a National Philanthropy Day luncheon.

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