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### **Parker's Convenience Stores on St. Simons Island, Ga. Donates \$1 Million to Communities of Coastal Georgia Foundation to Support Local Causes**

**ST. SIMONS ISLAND, Ga. (Dec. 15, 2021)** - [Parker's Convenience Stores](#), a leading convenience store company headquartered on St. Simons Island, Ga., presented a check for \$1 million today to Communities of Coastal Georgia Foundation to support local causes and nonprofit organizations throughout Glynn, McIntosh and Appling County.

Parker's Convenience Stores President Patrick Parker presented a check to Communities of Coastal Georgia Foundation Executive Director Paul White at the Parker's corporate office, located at 125 Marina Dr. on St. Simons Island. Over the years, Parker has supported a number of local organizations, including The St. Simons Land Trust, The Firebox Initiative, Coastal Georgia Historical Society, the Brunswick-Golden Isles Chamber of Commerce and Christ Church Frederica.

"We want to increase our level of support for organizations in the community and to be actively engaged," said Parker. "At Parker's Convenience Stores, we are 100 percent committed to giving to local causes and want to raise our level of giving because we're proud to be based here in Glynn County. We think it's important to give back to the communities that have supported us over the years."

Parker has deep roots on St. Simons Island and in the Golden Isles. In 1931, his grandparents bought property on St. Simons Island and opened several popular local businesses, from hotels to gas stations, that played an important role in the history of Glynn County.

Parker, the former chairman of the Georgia Association of Convenience Stores (GACS), opened his first Parker's convenience store on Ocean Blvd. on St. Simons Island in 1988 near Pier Village. Over the next 20 years, he strategically expanded the company, opening retail stores across Glynn County as well as in McIntosh County and Appling County. Today, Parker's Convenience Stores proudly serves customers at 11 retail locations across southeastern Georgia while giving back to the community.

**ABOUT PARKER'S CONVENIENCE STORES:**

Headquartered on St. Simons Island, Ga., [Parker's Convenience Stores](http://www.parkersga.com) operates 11 retail stores across southeastern Georgia, serving customers throughout the region. Under the leadership of President Patrick Parker, Parker's Convenience Stores delivers a premium shopping experience in a safe, friendly and convenient environment at competitive prices. The company also supports a wide range of local causes and has a strong connection to the community. Parker's Convenience Stores also offers the Parker's PumpPerks card, which saves customers up to 10 cents per gallon on gas every day. Learn more: [www.parkersga.com](http://www.parkersga.com).

**ABOUT COMMUNITIES OF COASTAL GEORGIA FOUNDATION:**

The [Communities of Coastal Georgia Foundation](http://www.coastalgeorgiafoundation.org) (CCGF) was incorporated in 2005 as a tax-exempt public foundation created by and for the people of Glynn, McIntosh and Camden counties in Georgia. The Foundation has more than \$50 million in assets and hosts nearly 100 distinct funds. Since its inception, Communities of Coastal Georgia Foundation has awarded millions of dollars in grants to community organizations in the three-county region and beyond. Learn more: [www.coastalgeorgiafoundation.org](http://www.coastalgeorgiafoundation.org).

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**PHOTO CAPTION: Parker's Convenience Stores, which is headquartered on St. Simons Island, Ga., recently donated \$1 million to Communities of Coastal Georgia Foundation to support a range of local causes. Parker's Convenience Stores President Patrick Parker, second from right, presented the donation to Communities of Coastal Georgia President Paul White, left, along with Isabel Parker, Dana Parker and Parker's Convenience Stores Director of Operations Chuck King (l-r).**

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