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### **Parker's Donates \$20,000 to Savannah-Chatham County Public Schools Through Fueling the Community Program**

**PHOTO CAPTION: Parker's President and CEO Greg Parker, right, presented a \$20,000 Fueling the Community check to Godley Station School Principal John K. King, who accepted the donation on behalf of the Board of Education. The check donation ceremony took place at the new Parker's location on Benton Blvd. in Savannah, Ga., and featured Godley Station School students and Chewy, the official Parker's mascot.**

**SAVANNAH, Ga. (May 11, 2017)** – Today, [Parker's](#), an award-winning convenience store leader, donated \$20,000 to Savannah-Chatham County Public Schools as part of the company's Fueling the Community charitable initiative. Godley Station School Principal John K. King accepted the donation on behalf of Board of Education at a special ceremony held at the 48<sup>th</sup> Parker's location, which recently opened on Benton Blvd. in Savannah, Ga.

"Every time we get funding from Parker's, it goes right back to help our students," said King. "This donation provides additional funding for technology that gets our kids ready for 21<sup>st</sup>-century skills that will help them succeed."

Parker's donates a portion of every gallon of gas sold on the first Wednesday of each month to area schools through the Fueling the Community program. PumpPal club members can select which school will receive the proceeds from their Fueling the Community gas purchase on the first Wednesday. Godley Station School is selected by more PumpPal members than any other school in Chatham County.

"It's exciting to give back to the community," said President and CEO Greg Parker. "At Parker's, we believe that education has the power to transform lives and to uplift

communities. We are grateful for the Chatham County teachers who are educating the next generation of students and preparing them for future success."

Parker's originally launched its charitable initiative in 2011 and has donated money to public and private schools in every community where Parker's does business. The company operates 48 convenience stores in Georgia and South Carolina and completes more than 100,000 transactions daily.

Parker's has been ranked on Inc.'s elite list of the top 5,000 fastest-growing private companies in the U.S. for four consecutive years. The company currently operates 48 convenience stores across the region and employs 825 individuals throughout Georgia and South Carolina

#### **ABOUT PARKER'S:**

[Parker's](#) is dedicated to a superior customer experience and operates 48 convenience stores throughout southeast Georgia and South Carolina. Headquartered in Savannah, Ga., Parker's has a commitment to exceeding customer expectations and has been recognized as one of the nation's pre-eminent convenience store and gourmet deli operators. The company's PumpPal loyalty program, which includes more than 125,000 members, has saved Parker's customers more than \$8 million. Parker's also gives back to every community where stores are located through the Fueling the Community Program, which donates a portion of the profit of every gallon of gas sold on the first Wednesday of the month to area schools. In addition, the company endowed the Parker's Emergency and Trauma Center at Memorial Hospital in Savannah, donates gas cards to benefit cancer patients, spearheads an Anti-Litter Campaign in Savannah and serves as the presenting sponsor for Picnic in the Park, a free outdoor concert held in Savannah every October. For more information about Parker's, visit [www.parkersav.com](http://www.parkersav.com).

#### **RECENT AWARDS AND ACCOLADES:**

- Best Convenience Store - *Savannah Morning News* Readers' Choice Awards
- Best Convenience Store - *Savannah Magazine* Best of Savannah Awards
- Best Convenience Store - *Statesboro Herald* "Best in the 'Boro" Awards
- Best Convenience Store - Bryan County Now "Best of Bryan" Awards
- Regional Economic Impact Award - Greater Bluffton Chamber of Commerce
- Best Convenience Store - *Island Packet*
- Most Fab Convenience Store - *Effingham Herald*
- Keep Liberty Beautiful Award - *Coastal Courier*
- Most Fabulous Gas Station – *Effingham Living*

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