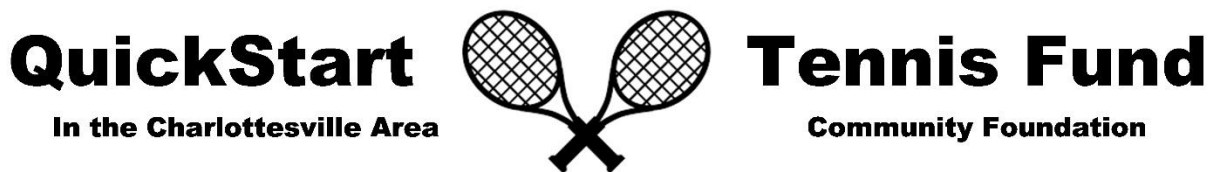




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BrightSTARS Receives Grant from QuickStart Tennis Fund in the Charlottesville Area Community Foundation

Charlottesville, Virginia (12/14/2017) – QuickStart Tennis of Central Virginia, Inc. (QCV) is pleased to report we have received a grant from the QuickStart Tennis Fund in the Charlottesville Area Community Foundation. The grant will be used for Go Bananas! t-shirts for 140 preschoolers in five schools in Albemarle County where community volunteers teach the BrightSTARS–Tennis for Me! curriculum. BrightSTARS is a tennis and nutrition immersion format developed specifically for four-year-olds in preschool programs for disadvantaged and at-risk kids at Agnor-Hurt, Cale, Greer, Stone-Robinson and Woodbrook elementary schools.



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Lynda Harrill, QCV QuickStart Tennis Coordinator, says, “T-shirts are a terrific way to engage kids and reinforce all the wonderful things we teach kids with BrightSTARS. We tried a t-shirt pilot at Greer earlier this year, thanks to a grant from the BAMA Works Fund. The t-shirts remained in the classroom and were put on for our BrightSTARS sessions to get the kids in the mood for lots of tennis FUN. The kids will take the shirts home at the end of the school year and hopefully get several more years of wear out of them. Many thanks to the QuickStart Tennis Fund in the CACF for making this possible.”



QuickStart Tennis of Central Virginia is an all-volunteer, grassroots Community Tennis Association established in 2009 as a 501(c)(3) charitable organization to promote, develop and grow QuickStart Tennis in the heart of Virginia for all beginners, especially underserved youth, using the kid-sized QuickStart Tennis format.

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