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Racquets for Reading!!! Receives Grant from Westbrook Foundation

Charlottesville, Virginia (8/25/2022) – QuickStart Tennis of Central Virginia, Inc. (QCV) is pleased to report it has received a \$2,500 grant from The Adele A. and Harold J. Westbrook Foundation for Racquets for Reading!!! This generous grant will fund six to nine books, mini reading rubber duckies, Go Bananas for QuickStart! nutrition cards and banana-scented bookmarks for 175 preschoolers in our service area. This grant will enable us to provide books and giveaways to kids in under-resourced communities that do not have community or private foundations or a base of local donors.



Charles Westbrook, Executive Director of the New Jersey-based Foundation, says, “The Westbrook Foundation was established to honor our parents who strongly believed that children are our future. They had seven children and they taught us by their actions to help others when we can. Glad we could help.”

QCV’s QuickStart Coordinator Lynda Harrill adds, “Having the Westbrook Foundation step up for kids in rural Virginia is very special. I was thrilled when I received their letter and check. It’s wonderful to connect with people near and far who want to change the trajectory of kids’ lives through literacy. There are 175 preschoolers in central and southside Virginia who will have big smiles on their faces and books in their hands thanks to the Westbrook Foundation. We are so glad to see how these Westbrook siblings choose to honor their parents!”

**Want to be a great adult?
Play tennis! Read books! Eat healthy! Have FUN!!!
Be a QuickStart kid!**

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. QCV's service area includes, Amelia, Appomattox, Brunswick, Buckingham, Campbell, Charlotte, Culpeper, Cumberland, Dinwiddie, Fluvanna, Franklin, Greene, Greensville, Halifax, Henry, Louisa, Lunenburg, Madison, Mecklenburg, Nelson, Nottoway, Orange, Patrick Pittsylvania, Prince Edward, Powhatan and Rappahannock counties and the cities of Charlottesville, Danville and Martinsville, plus under a special arrangement, King George County. We currently serve 214 schools with 101,000 kids, 15 parks & recreation departments, three Boys & Girls Clubs and two YMCAs, in 31 Virginia counties and independent cities. We have also gotten tennis into PE classes in 37 additional schools with 16,000 students in Virginia communities outside our service area.

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A racquet in every hand! A smile on every face!



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