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QCV Receives Grant from CAPTRUST Community Foundation

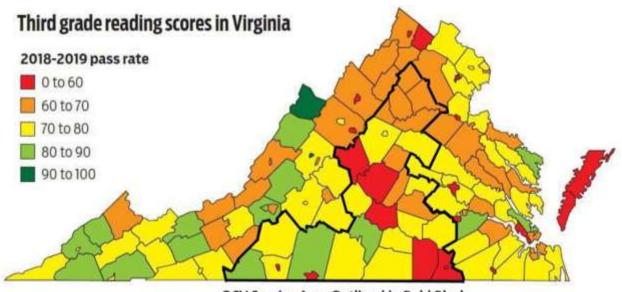
Charlottesville, Virginia (4/12/2021) – QuickStart Tennis of Central Virginia, Inc. (QCV) is pleased to report we have received a grant from the CAPTRUST Community Foundation for Racquets for Reading!!! CAPTRUST is a financial services company headquartered in Raleigh, NC. The CAPTRUST Foundation supports organizations and initiatives that enrich the lives of kids in the communities CAPTRUST serves, including Virginia. The Foundation has also supported our Go Bananas for QuickStart! campaign.



QuickStart Coordinator Lynda Harrill says, "We are very grateful Bill Paxton at CAPTRUST once again recommended us for

a grant from the CAPTRUST Community Foundation. We have seven school systems in our service area (see map below) in need of a significant intervention to help improve school readiness and reading scores. This grant will enable us to provide books and giveaways to preschoolers and kindergartners in Buckingham County. Only three 'red' counties left to fund . . ."

"As a reminder, this map was the catalyst for Racquets for Reading!!! We want all the counties and cities we serve to Read Themselves GREEN - dark green."



QCV Service Area Outlined in Bold Black

Please visit our <u>website</u> to learn more about what QCV is doing to promote physical activity, healthy eating and early childhood literacy for preschoolers and kindergartners through our <u>Racquets for Reading!!!</u> initiative during COVID. More than 1,780 kids reached with over 13,000 books!!!

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 Albemarle, Amelia, Appomattox, Brunswick, Buckingham, 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 212 schools with 99,000 kids, 15 parks & recreation departments, three Boys & Girls Clubs and two YMCAs in 27 counties and three independent cities. We have also gotten tennis into PE classes in 37 additional schools with 16,000 students in communities outside our service area.

Visit QCV at <u>www.quickstartcentral.org</u> and on <u>Facebook</u>.

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



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