

# ANNUAL REPORT

October 1, 2012 – September 30, 2013

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#### History

In the winter of 1990, a group of concerned citizens began to organize a local foundation to meet the risk population for Sickle Cell in North Alabama. North Alabama Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc. was incorporated in May of 1990, and receives funds from the State of Alabama. Thanks to Senators and House of Representatives and others, we are still receiving state funding.

NASCF was established to improve the quality of life for people who suffer from Sickle Cell Conditions through patient enrichment programs. These programs include: educational enrichment, opportunities for career planning, health promotion and disease prevention activities, and socialization. NASCF's representatives act as liaisons or advocates and seek t encourage improved services and benefits for individuals and affected families. Referrals from local health departments, private physicians, social service agencies and hospitals are accepted. Free education, counseling and testing services are provided by NASCF to the general public. NASCF serves Colbert, DeKalb, Franklin, Jackson, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Limestone, Marshall, Madison, and Morgan Counties.

NASCF's services provided to affected individuals and their families include: health care maintenance for Sickle Cell Conditions through health promotion seminars; help in emergency needs of food, clothing and housing; and socialization. In addition, a wellness clinic is set up at U.A.H. Medical Clinics which is designed to provide ongoing preventive medical care for Sickle Cell Patients (0-18 years of age). NASCF works closely with the State Department of Public Health in counseling and educating parents of children with Sickle Cell Trait or Hemoglobin C Trait test results; and in tracking newborns in North Alabama diagnosed as having a Sickle Cell Condition.

#### Mission

North Alabama Sickle Cell's mission is to aid and enhance the lives of those affected by Sickle Cell and associated disorders through the provision of supportive services, education and advocacy.

#### Vision

The vision of the North Alabama Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc. is to increase education, health awareness, life skills, promote self-sufficiency, and improve the quality of life of individuals living with Sickle Cell.

# MESSAGE FROM THE NORTH ALABAMA SICKLE FOUNDATION, INC. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The North Alabama Sickle Cell Foundation wishes to express its gratitude and appreciation for the steadfast support of its funders, collaborators, donors and volunteers during this fiscal year. This support has enabled the Foundation to continue its strides in the provision of comprehensive education, testing, counseling and supportive services to the population at-risk with sickle cell disease in the North Alabama counties of Madison, Morgan, Lauderdale, Limestone, Jackson, Colbert, Franklin, Lawrence, Marshall and DeKalb.

As the only community based sickle cell education, testing, counseling and supportive services organization, NASCF will continue to focus its sights on providing both quality and quantity care to those individuals seeking and utilizing our services.

We look forward to continuing our program of services to our consumers and the population at risk. We sincerely appreciate all of your support.

Pamela D. Thompson Executive Director



# North Alabama Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc. Programs

Patient Enrichment Program: This program is also known as our Client Assistance Program. The purpose of this program is to supplement emergency needs for utilities, prescriptions, food, and housing. The process for assistance from this program is the client must complete an intake interview form to determine the need, the amount, and the frequency assistance is needed. Once this has been completed, it is review then approved or disapproved by the Executive Director. Budget counseling is given to those who frequent this program.



Educational Program: This program is a field services program. The counselor/educator frequents the health departments, schools, and the monthly wellness clinics, and health fairs in the (10) ten counties served. The purpose is to educate the general public about Sickle Cell Disease and teach individuals with Sickle Cell Disease how to manage and lead productive lives. Individuals can setup one on one appointment with the counselor/educator or attend activities hosted by the Support Group.



Support Group: The NASCF has established a support group of families and friends of Sickle Cell patients for the purpose of providing a vehicle by which these families may get to know each to discuss a common problem, and to mutually support each other and respond to emotional needs created by a chronic illness. Please contact the Foundation for more information.



Counseling Service Programs: This service is provided based upon referrals from partnerships with health departments, social service agencies, physicians or hospitals. Genetic testing is done here at the Foundation. Counseling is given to those who are found to have the Sickle Cell Trait or Sickle Cell Disease. Counseling gives the individual valuable information concerning the genetic inheritance of sickle hemoglobins and how to safely manage their lifestyle and make wise future decisions.



Screening Programs: Despite that fact that in some states, since 1989, newborns are screened for Sickle Cell Conditions at birth, the Foundations offer in-house screen to any individual that desires to be tested. This screening is confidential and free of charge. Newborn Screening reports are automatically forward to us for each county we serve. We are to contact the parents of the newborn child and children upon the receipt of the report by letter to inform them of our advocacy services and setup up a formal counseling. Counseling is not allowed to be given over the telephone.



#### **Services**

Screening/Counseling/Supportive Services/Education Report:

See Attached Statistics:

# North Alabama Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc.

# Client Services Oct 1, 2012 – Sept 30, 2013

	Colbert	DeKalb	DeKalb Franklin Jackson	Jackson	Lauderdale	Lawrence	Limestone	Madison	Marshall	Morgan	Totals
Health Fairs	-					1		70			12
New Born	,										
Screenings											
Contacted	10	2	4	2	8	4	15	133	9	34	218
New Born											
Screenings			is.	3					1	,	(
Counseled	5	2	2	I	5	3	7	23	3	~	59
Abnormal											
Hemoglobin							8	j J		,	,
Screening							I	10		1	77
UAB Sickle			korazili							*	
Cell Clinic	I				2	5	4	22		8	42
Adult							3	8. 0			
Counseled							I	10			12
Supportive									e de la companya de l		;
Services	9				8	2	4	25		15	09
Referrals							2		-		
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Totals							1 3	19 29 29	ā		į
	24	4	9	3	24	15	33	238	6	67	423

#### **Events**

**2013 DOGG Pound Skate Crew:** The DOGG Pound Crew hosted the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Skate-A-Thon for Sickle Cell Anemia. All the proceeds from this event are designated for The North Alabama Sickle Cell Foundation. The event was held at the Carousel Skate Center on January 20, 2013 in Huntsville, Alabama. There were also free blood pressure checks and Life South conducted a blood drive donation to help save lives.

2013 Radio-Thon for Sickle Cell at WZZA: The North Alabama Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc., in association with WZZA Radio, held its annual Sickle Cell Disease Radio-thon. WZZA, 1410 AM Radio, Tuscumbia, Alabama, hosted "Breaking the Sickle Cycle Radio-thon", March 22, 23, 24, 2013. This Radio-thon is designed to increase the public awareness of the Sickle Cell Disease and to expand financial support for the various programs administered by the Foundation.

**Walk-A-Thon 2013:** The Walk-a-Thon was held June 1, 2013 at Big Spring Park in Huntsville, Alabama. This annual event brings people together to support individuals who suffer from Sickle Cell conditions and also to remember those who are no longer with us. Together, we support individuals and make a difference by improving the quality of life for our clients.

National & State Sickle Cell Advocacy Day: The North Alabama Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc. (NASCF) advocated for those affected by the Sickle Cell Disease on Sickle Cell Advocacy Day, June 26, 2013 by visiting the Huntsville office of Senator Jeff Sessions, Senator Richard Shelby and Representative Mo Brooks. This year's SCDAA advocacy campaign was geared towards promoting stable funding, better healthcare access, expanded programs, and increased education and awareness for Sickle Cell Disease consumers, families and programs throughout our nation and the re-authorization of the Sickle Cell Treatment Act. Accompanying Ms. Pamela Thompson, Executive Director was Ms. Gwendolyn Ragland, Mr. Glenn Merchant, Sickle Cell Client and Ms. Johnetta Graves.

**Art-N-Soul:** The Art-N-Soul Society of Expression supported the North Alabama Sickle Cell Foundation with its "Lyrical" White Linen With A Touch of Emerald fundraiser on Sunday, June 30th, 2013.

Rocket City Glitzy Girls Beauty Pageant: The Glitzy Girls Beauty Pageant, Alabama A&M University, Earnest Knight Auditorium, July 27, 2013.

September is **Sickle Cell Disease Awareness Month** – The Huntsville, Alabama City Council declared September as Sickle Cell Disease Awareness Month and presented a proclamation to the North Alabama Sickle Cell Foundation on August 22, 2013.

Sickle Cell Sabbath – September 16, 2013 was celebrated as Sickle Cell Sabbath. The Sickle Cell Sabbath Program was created to increase awareness about sickle cell disease (SCD) and the importance of blood donations in helping individuals affected by the disease. Additionally, it serves as Spiritual outreach program that aims to educate and increase awareness about sickle

cell disease and sickle cell trait testing through partnerships with the faith-based community organizations and health care agencies. The NASCF sent out over 2,000 information packets to churches in the 10 counties served by the Foundation.

**Ribbon Cutting Ceremony & Reception** – The NASCF was officially welcomed as member of the Chamber of Commerce/Huntsville-Madison County with a ribbon cutting ceremony on October 11, 2013 at 7:00 PM, Chamber Auditorium.

North Alabama Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc. Annual Holiday Party – The NASCF held its annual holiday party for its clients on Sunday, December 15, 2013 at the Garden Plaza Hotel & Suites in Decatur, Alabama.

#### **Future Programs/Events:**

Programs being researched for feasibility, coordinators, and dates are: Silent Auction, Golf Tournament, Motorcycle Bike Ride, Reorganization of the NASCF Support Group.

Funding Report: The following grantsmakers were sought during this fiscal year:

AstraZeneca Combined Federal Campaign Cigna Huntsville Hospital Community Health Initiative TorchHelps Chatlos

The following grants were received during this fiscal year:

Combined Federal Campaign – The Tennessee Valley Combined Federal Campaign's Local Federal Coordination Committee (LFCC) notified NASCF that it has met the standards set forth by the Office of Personnel Management to be a participant in the 2014 Tennessee Valley CFC.

Huntsville Hospital Community Health Initiative - \$5000.00

### Genetic Alliance – Food and Drug Administration's Patient-Focused Drug Development Initiative (FDA PFDD)

The North Alabama Sickle Cell Foundation (NASCF) presented a proposal to Genetic Alliance to participate in the Food and Drug Administration's Patient-Focused Drug Development Initiative. The program's goals were to seek the sickle cell community's thoughts and experiences regarding the severity of the condition, the benefit-risk balance of treatment options, and unmet medical needs. There were four advocacy/support organizations selected whose sickle cell communities participated in the pilot communities to implement a proof of concept for the Food and Drug Administrator's Patient-Focused Drug Development Initiative. The purpose of the project was to generate insights into the prospective usefulness of crowd-sourcing feedback from people affected by these conditions. The project was completed on March 8, 2014 with the final report released by Genetic Alliance on April 2, 2014.

#### **Public Relations/Marketing**

#### **Public Relations/Marketing Report:**

- The DOGG Pound Skate Crew Presents: 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Skate-A-Thon for Sickle Cell Anemia, Carousel Skate Center, Huntsville, Alabama, January 20, 2013
- The 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Heart of the Valley YMCA Health Fair, January 26, 2013, Huntsville, Alabama
- Alabama A&M University Student Health and Wellness Center Wellness Expo, February 15, 2013, Normal, Alabama
- The YMCA Madison Health and Wellness Fair, March 2, 2013, Madison, Alabama
- The Alabama Sickle Cell Oversight and Regulatory Commission Meeting, Montgomery, Alabama, March 11, 2013
- Sickle Cell Counselor/Educator Certification Program, Mobile, Alabama, 2/4-7/2013
- Alabama Sickle Cell Director's Meeting, Mobile, Alabama, March 19, 2013
- Sickle Cell Disease Faith-Based Roundtable, King Center, Atlanta, Georgia, March 16, 2013
- 2013 WZZA 1410 Radio Thon for Sickle Cell, March 22, 23, 24, 2013, Tuscumbia, Alabama
- Oak Grove CME Church Health Fair, Athens, Alabama, April 20, 2013
- Fundraising Group Meeting, Sheraton Hotel/Huntsville Airport, May 2, 2013, Huntsville, Alabama
- 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Cookie Swap, Crisis Services of North Alabama, May 3, 2013, Huntsville, Alabama
- Progressive Union Baptist Church Health Fair, Huntsville, Alabama, May 4, 2013
- The Alabama Sickle Cell Oversight and Regulatory Commission Meeting, Montgomery, Alabama, May 6, 2013
- Sickle Cell Disease Association of America Conference Call Meeting, May 1, 2013
- North Alabama African American Chamber of Commerce, Huntsville, Alabama, May 21, 2013
- Pamela Thompson Interview, WEUP Talk with David Person & Steve Murry, WEUP Radio, May 27, 2013
- North Alabama Sickle Cell Foundation Annual Sickle Cell Anemia Walk-A-Thon, June 1, 2013, Big Spring Park, Huntsville, Alabama
- Pamela Thompson Interview, News at Noon, WHNT Channel 19, June 3, 2013
- North Alabama Sickle Cell Advocacy Day, Huntsville, Alabama, June 26, 2013
- Alabama Sickle Cell Oversight and Regulatory Commission Meeting, July 1, 2013, Montgomery, Alabama

- North Alabama African American Chamber of Commerce, Huntsville, Alabama, June 18, 2013
- Hope Community Church Health Fair, Saturday, June 22, 2013, Huntsville, Alabama
- National Sickle Cell Advocacy Day, Sickle Cell Disease Association of America, June 26, 2013, Washington, D.C.
- North Alabama Sickle Cell Advocacy Day, June 26, 2013, Huntsville, Alabama, Huntsville Offices of Congressman Mo Brooks, Senator Richard Shelby and Senator Jeff Sessions
- Sickle Cell Conference Call Training, June 27, 2013, Huntsville, Alabama
- Art-N-Soul Society of Expression Presents "Lyrical" White Linen With A touch of Emerald, Sickle Cell Disease Fundraiser, Sunday, June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2013
- The Alabama Sickle Cell Oversight and Regulatory Commission Meeting, Montgomery, Alabama, July 1, 2013
- Alabama Sickle Cell Directors Meeting, Birmingham, Alabama, July 11, 2013
- Rocket City Glitzy Girls Pageant, North Alabama Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc. Fundraiser, Huntsville, Alabama. July 27, 2013
- The Voice Sickle Cell Disease Association of America Newsletter, Baltimore,
   Maryland, July 2013 "North Alabama SCD Foundation Hosts Annual Walk-A-Thon"
- Pamela Thompson Interview, WAAY-TV, Channel 31, July 16, 2013
- North Alabama African American Chamber of Commerce July Meeting, Huntsville, Alabama, Eternal Security, July 16, 2013
- 9<sup>th</sup> Annual W. L. Strain Sickle Cell Charity Golf Tournament, Southeast Alabama Sickle Association, Inc., July 20, 2013, Auburn, Alabama
- Berkeley, Big Cove, Hampton Cove and Gurley Communities Health Fair, Berkley, Alabama, July 20, 2013
- Sole Sisters of Huntsville Presents Healthy Huntsville, Huntsville, Alabama, Saturday, August 10, 2013
- North Alabama African American Chamber of Commerce August Meeting, Huntsville Drumline, Huntsville, Alabama, August 20, 2013
- The Alabama Sickle Cell Oversight and Regulatory Commission Meeting, Montgomery, Alabama, August 22, 2013
- Huntsville City Council Presentation of Proclamation for Sickle Cell Month, Huntsville, Alabama, August 22, 2013
- First Missionary Baptist Church Health Fair, Huntsville, Alabama, Saturday, August 24, 2013
- North Alabama African American Chamber of Commerce September Meeting, J. F. Drake State Technical & Community College, Huntsville, Alabama, September 17, 2013
- North Alabama African American Chamber of Commerce 2013 Conference, Huntsville, Alabama, September 12, 2013

- North Alabama African American Chamber of Commerce 2013 Conference Sickle Cell Display, Huntsville, Alabama, September 12, 2013
- Combined Federal Campaign Meeting, Huntsville, Alabama, September 18, 2013
- 100 Black Men of America's Greater Huntsville Chapter Annual Health & Wellness Fair, Huntsville, Alabama September 21, 2013
- SCDAA 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Convention, Marriott BWI Airport in Linthicum, Maryland, September 24-27, 2013
- Union Hill Primitive Baptist Church Women's Ministry, Sisters-Outreaching-2-Sisters Ministry Auto-Immune Disease Walk-a-Thon, Huntsville, Alabama, September 28, 2013
- The Alabama Sickle Cell Oversight and Regulatory Commission Meeting, Montgomery, Alabama, September 28, 2013

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

The information contained in the financial review section is presented in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards.

#### Financial Statements

#### North Alabama Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc. Huntsville, Alabama

For the Year Ended September 30, 2013



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#### Independent Auditors' Report

To the Board of Directors of North Alabama Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc. Huntsville, Alabama

#### Report on the Financial Statement

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of North Alabama Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc. (a non- profit corporation) which comprise the statement of financial position as of September 30, 2013 and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the fair presentation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statement, whether due to fraud or error.

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In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statement.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis of our audit opinion.

#### Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of North Alabama Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc. as of September 30, 2013, and the results of operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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#### NORTH ALABAMA SICKLE CELL FOUNDATION, INC. Huntsville, Alabama

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#### NORTH ALABAMA SICKLE CELL FOUNDATION, INC. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2013

#### **ASSETS**

Cash Deposits	\$	38,377 847
Total assets	\$	39,224
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Federal payroll taxes payable Total liabilities	<u>\$</u>	1,323 1,323
Net Assets: Unrestricted Total net assets Total liabilities and net assets	\$	37,901 37,901 39,224

#### NORTH ALABAMA SICKLE CELL FOUNDATION, INC. STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2013

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES: Change in net assets Changes in operating assets and liabilities: Grant receivable Payroll taxes	<b>\$</b>	17,846 11,330 (1,980)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities		27,196
FINANCING ACTIVITIES: Assets retirement		(8,321)
Net cash provided (used) by financing activities	No. 7 - 20 March 1989	(8,321)
Net increase (decrease) in cash		18,875
Cash at the beginning of the year		19,502
Cash at the end of the year	\$	38,377

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS September 30, 2013

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Nature of Operations

North Alabama Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc. (the Foundation) was incorporated in the state of Alabama on May 29, 1990 as a non-profit corporation.

The Foundation offers varied assistance to people who suffer from sickle cell conditions. Working in a partnership with the Alabama Department of Health, the Foundation identifies and reaches out to those who are afflicted with the disease, as well as their families, and provides these services within a ten (10) county area in the state of Alabama.

The primary objectives of the Foundation are to provide free education to schools, social workers, and to the public, in general, to create more awareness of the disease. Other primary activities of the Foundation are client testing, patient enrichment programs, and counseling to the client and family for sickle cell disorders. Emergency financial assistance is available on a case by case basis for those individuals with a sickle cell disease. The Foundation annually sends its clients to a camp event in Georgia especially developed for those suffering from sickle cell conditions. The Foundation works on a continuous basis with medical research professionals to enhance medical and social services to clients, and to provide the latest in medical research information to the North Alabama community.

#### Basis of Accounting

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on an accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Financial Statement Presentation

The Foundation follows the Not-For-Profit Entities topic of the FASB Accounting Standards Codification with respect to financial statement presentation. Under this topic, the Foundation is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to three classes of net assets: unrestricted net assets, temporary restricted net assets, and permanently restricted net assets. As of September 30, 2013, all assets of the Foundation are unrestricted.

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#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED September 30, 2013

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, (continued)

#### Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Contributions

Contributions are recognized when earned. All contributions are available for unrestricted use unless specified restricted by the donor. As of September 30, 2013, no contributions had been specified as restricted by donors.

#### Revenue Recognition

The principle source of revenue is funding from the Alabama Educational Trust Fund through the Alabama Sickle Cell Oversight and Regulatory Commission. The Commission was established in 1996 by the Alabama legislature (Acts 1996, No 96-727, p. 1219, 1), and was created to ensure delivery of sickle cell services to the people of Alabama. The Commission has the authority to prescribe rules and regulations for certification to receive funding, screens such agencies prior to funding, and monitors their performance. A three-member monitoring committee of the Commission performs onsite visits every two years to recipients and compiles a report for the Commission. North Alabama Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc. The Foundation received funding in the amount of \$ 136, 004 for the year ended September 30, 2013.

Donor contributions are recorded at their net realizable value upon receipt.

#### Concentration of Credit Risk Arising From Cash Deposits in Excess of Insured

The Foundation maintains all of its cash in one financial institution located in Huntsville, Alabama. The balance is insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for up to \$ 250,000. As of September 30, 2013, the Company's uninsured cash balance totaled \$ 0. Management monitors the soundness of the financial institution and feels the Foundation's risk is negligible.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED September 30, 2013

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, (continued)

#### Noncompliance with Grantor

Financial awards from federal, state, and local governmental entities in the form of grants are subject to special audit. Such audits could result in claims against the Foundation for disallowed costs or noncompliance with grantor restrictions. No provision has been made for any liabilities that may arise from such audits since the amounts, if any, cannot be determined at this date.

#### Income Taxes

The Foundation is exempt from income taxes under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3) and is classified as an organization other than a private foundation within the meaning of Section 509(a).

The Foundation follows the provisions of FASB ASC 740-10-25, Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes. This standard requires management to perform an evaluation of all income tax positions taken or expected to be taken in the course of preparing the Foundation's income tax returns to determine whether the income tax positions meet a "more likely than not" standard of being sustained under examination by the applicable taxing authorities. Using this guidance, the Foundation will record a liability for uncertain tax positions when it is "more likely than not" of being sustained under examination by the applicable taxing authority. As of September 30, 2013, the Foundation had no uncertain tax positions that qualify materially for either recognition or disclosure in the financial statements.

The Foundation is required to file an annual federal tax return. With limited exceptions, the Foundation is no longer subject to income tax examinations for any years earlier than 2010 for federal purposes.

#### Advertising Costs

The Foundation expenses advertising costs in the period incurred. Advertising expense totaled \$ 1,660 for the year ended September 30, 2013.

#### NOTE 2 - OPERATING LEASE - RENTAL EXPENSE

The Foundation leases its office space. The lease agreement was executed and

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## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED September 30, 2013

#### NOTE 2 - OPERATING LEASE - RENTAL EXPENSE, (continued)

commenced on June 1, 2012 and expired on May 30, 2013. The rental has been on a month-to-month basis since the lease expired. Rental expense for the year ended September 30, 2013 is \$ 10,152.

#### NOTE 3 - NONCOMPLIANCE WITH GRANTOR

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#### NOTE 4 - DATE of the FOUNDATION'S MANAGEMENT REVIEW

The Foundation has evaluated subsequent events through March 10, 2014, the date that the financial statements were available for issue, and determined that no events have occurred subsequent to the balance sheet date that would require adjustment to, or disclosure in, the financial statements.



#### North Alabama Foundation Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc.

#### **Board of Directors**

Walter Harris, President

Howard Bankhead, Vice-President

Andrain Yeldell, Treasurer

Francis Harris, Member

Shamika Minisee, Member

Clarene Johnson, Member

#### **Board Meetings**

April 15, 2013 – 5 Present

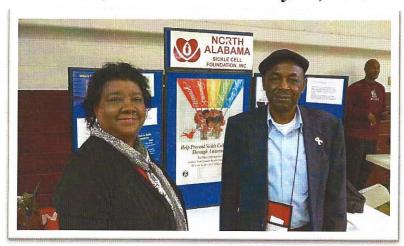
May 13, 2013 – 5 Present

August 19, 2013 – 5 Present

September 16, 2013 - 6 Present

# **ACTIVITIES**

#### The Alabama A&M University Wellness Fair Normal, Alabama - February 15, 2013



# The North Alabama Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc. Support Group



Mr. McAuthor Johnson and the North Alabama Sickle Cell Foundation Support Group attended the Sickle Cell Disease Faith-Based Roundtable, Saturday, March 16, 2013 at the King Center in Atlanta Georgia.

#### WZZA 1410 Radio-Thon for Sickle Cell March 22, 23, 24, 2013



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#### Eta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated, Alpha Omega Chapter And the 2013 Sickle Cell Walk-A-Thon



Eta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated, Alpha Omega Chapter is the first organization to give their donation for the 2013 Walk-A-Thon. April 24, 2013, Ms. Linda Burruss (left), Eta Phi Beta Sorority member presented a \$500.00 check to Ms. Pamela Thompson, Executive Director, in support of the North Alabama Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc.

#### 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Cookie Swap



The North Alabama Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc. participated in the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Cookie Swap sponsored by the Crisis Services of North Alabama, Friday, May 3, 2013 at the L. J. Morris Elementary School. The program brings together community organizations eager to share information about the services they offer. All organizations also bring cookies to swap with everyone who visits each display. The community receives essential information that shows you where to call for help when needed. Mr. McAuthor Johnson, Patient Relations/Education Counselor, manned the booth for the NASCFI.

#### Progressive Union Missionary Baptist Church Health Fair



Mr. McAuthor Johnson, Patient Relations/Education Counselor, represented the North Alabama Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc. at the Progressive Union Missionary Baptist Church Health Fair on Saturday, May 4, 2013.

#### Scenes from the 2013 Walk-A-Thon Huntsville, Alabama – Big Spring Park - June 1, 2013











#### Sickle Cell Advocacy Day Washington, D.C. & Huntsville, Alabama June 26, 2013



Sickle Cell Advocacy Day on June 26, 2013 was promoted by the North Alabama Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc. (NASCF) by visiting the Huntsville office of Senator Richard C. Shelby to advocate for those affected by the Sickle Cell Disease. This year's SCDAA advocacy campaign was geared towards promoting stable funding, better healthcare access, expanded programs, and increased education and awareness for Sickle Cell Disease consumers, families and programs throughout our nation. Pictured here are Ms. Gwendolyn Ragland, Ms. LaFreeda Jordan, Field Representative in the office of Senator Richard C. Shelby, Ms. Pamela D. Thompson, Executive Director of NASCF, Mr. Glen Merchant, Sickle Cell Client and Ms. Johnetta Graves



Ms. Pamela D. Thompson, Executive Director of the North Alabama Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc. (NASCF) and several supporters visited the office of Congressman Mo Brooks on June 26, 2013 to advocate for those affected by the Sickle Cell Disease. Pictured are Ms. Johnetta Graves, Mrs. Gwendolyn Ragland, Ms. Tiffany Noel, District Director in Congressman Mo Brooks Huntsville office, Glen Merchant, Sickle Cell Client and Ms. Pamela Thompson.



The North Alabama Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc. (NASCF) advocated for those affected by the Sickle Cell Disease on Sickle Cell Advocacy Day, June 26, 2013 by visiting the Huntsville office of Senator Jeff Sessions. Pictured are Johnetta Graves, Ms. Pamela D. Thompson, Executive Director of NASCF, Mr. Glen Merchant, Sickle Cell Client, Ms. Shandrela McMillian, Caseworker I the office of Senator Jeff Sessions and Mrs. Gwendolyn Ragland.

#### Art-N-Soul Society of Expression Fundraiser for National Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc. Huntsville, Alabama - June 30, 2013

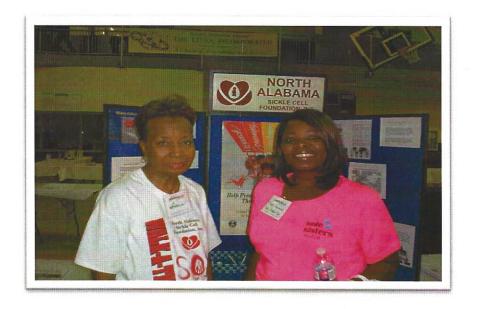


The North Alabama Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc. extends special thanks to Art-N-Soul Society of Expression for supporting the sickle cell cause at the "Lyrical" White Linen With A Touch of Emerald fundraiser on Sunday, June 30th, 2013

#### Rocket City Glitzy Girls Pageant, Huntsville, Alabama - July 27, 2013



100 Black Men of Greater Huntsville Health Fair Huntsville, Alabama - September 21, 2013



#### Union Hill Primitive Baptist Church Women's Ministry

Sisters-Outreaching-2-Sisters Ministry Auto-Immune Disease WalkaThon Huntsville, Alabama – September 28, 2013



Chamber of Commerce of Huntsville/Madison County Alabama

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the North Alabama Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc. October 11, 2013 (Event Held At The Chamber)



Dr. Olivia Sanders, Ms. Andrain Yeldell, Ms. Pamela Thompson, Mrs. Francis Harris and Dr. Rosemary Hodges