

Parker's Donates \$7,500 to Support Students and Teachers at Bryan County Schools

BLACK CREEK, Ga. (Oct. 12, 2020) – <u>Parker's</u> -- a nationally acclaimed convenience store company and food service leader that was named the 2020 *CStore Decisions* Convenience Store Chain of the Year -- recently donated \$7,500 to Bryan County Schools as part of the company's Fueling the Community program, which donates one cent of every gallon of gas sold on the first Wednesday of each month to local schools.

The check presentation took place at Bryan County Board of Education building, located at 8810 Highway 280 East in Black Creek, Ga., on Oct. 7. Superintendent of Schools of Dr. Paul Brooksher accepted the donation on behalf of the school district. The donation is part of nearly \$150,000 Parker's is donating to schools in Georgia and South Carolina this fall.

"At Parker's, we believe education is the tide that floats all ships," said Parker's founder and CEO Greg Parker. "Education is a conduit of opportunity, encouraging today's students to become tomorrow's community leaders. I'm deeply honored to make this donation, especially during these unprecedented times, and to continue to support student success right here in Bryan County."

Launched in 2011 with a mission to give back to every community where Parker's does business, the Parker's Fueling the Community charitable initiative distributes more than \$200,000 annually to public and private schools throughout Georgia and South Carolina. To date, Parker's has donated more than \$1 million to area schools through the program.

Deeply engaged with the communities it serves, Parker's endows the Parker's Emergency and Trauma Center at Memorial Hospital in Savannah and spearheads the Keep Savannah Clean anti-litter campaign. In 2019, Parker's also donated a record \$5 million to create the Parker College of Business at Georgia Southern University.

Founded in 1976, Parker's is one of America's most respected convenience store brands and is known for having the cleanest stores in the industry. Parker's serves award-winning Southerninspired food and offers an acclaimed Parker's Rewards program. The company gives back to every community where it does business through the Fueling the Community charitable giving program.

Parker's has been included on the Inc. 5000 list of America's fastest-growing companies for five years and was honored by *Food and Wine* as one of America's Best Convenience Stores, by *The Shelby Report* as the Southeast Retailer of the Year and by *Convenience Store News* as the Foodservice Leader of the Year. The company employs more than 1,200 individuals throughout the region and completes more than 125,000 transactions daily.