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THE BARGAIN BOX SUPPORTS THE LITERACY CENTER WITH GENEROUS GRANT

The Literacy Center is proud to announce that it has received a grant from the Bargain Box in support of their Adult Literacy and Family Literacy Programs. Founded in 1973, The Literacy Center supports literacy for people of Beaufort County so that they can be successful at their jobs, with their families and in the community. TLC is the only nonprofit organization in Beaufort County providing these services to over 500 adults at 4 locations. TLC's Family Literacy 360 program empowers families to break the intergenerational cycle of low literacy and serves 30 families at 4 locations.

The Bargain Box was established in 1965 by three ladies from First Presbyterian Church as a shopping option for the working residents of Hilton Head Island. By 1970 it was generating enough revenues to provide monetary support to local social agencies and charities, and it was incorporated as a stand-alone 501(c)(3) organization. The Bargain Box has continued to grow, becoming an Island institution that has returned over \$13.9 million in to the community.

The funds provided by the Bargain Box will provide books, classroom materials, lesson plans, classroom space, and tutor support and training for both Adult and Family Literacy Programs. "The Literacy Center has had a long and supportive relationship with The Bargain Box," said Pam Wall, TLC's executive director. "The nonprofit organizations in this County would be unable to provide the excellent level of services without the dedication of the Bargain Box, their board of directors, grant committee and volunteers."

The grant award ceremony was held at the Moss Creek Country Club as part of the Bargain Box's annual meeting. TLC board members and longtime Bargain Box volunteer Karen Edwards said "The ceremony is always such a joyous and rewarding event for all involved. Bargain Box volunteers are challenged to wear at least one article of clothing or jewelry they purchased at the Bargain Box! And we bring unique and unusual items which we sell at the luncheon to begin the fundraising process all over again!"