

Outstanding Volunteer in Aging Award Honoree – Patricia Capehart Brown



Patricia Capehart Brown is described by many as a “Volunteer’s Volunteer”. Her volunteerism goes back many years with her initial major advocacy effort, a great success that led to the establishment of the first home health agency in Beaufort County, North Carolina. Since then she has continuously spent much of her time and resources in volunteer service to others. During her years in government service, she had a solid record of volunteering her time in a variety of activities in the community. She served on many boards and committees and often was found volunteering her time for activities to support foster children, the elderly and other oppressed populations in our community.

In September of 2009, Pat was named Chair of the Governor’s Advisory Council on Aging by NC Governor Beverly Purdue and continues to serve in this capacity. This year, the GAC was charged directly by Governor Purdue in Executive Order 54 to be a part of the Aging Assessment Team and participate in an Assessment of the State’s Readiness for An Aging Population.

Listed are just a few of the many volunteer activities performed by Pat Brown.

- Chairperson for the Statewide Forum on Aging Issues of Older Adults in 2008
- Volunteered for the NC Conference on Aging
- Established an endowment in 2007 in memory of her late husband at Beaufort County Community College.
- Vice-Chair to the 2005 Pre-White House Conference on Aging event in NC
- Participated in “Heart of Hope,” a fund raising effort to assist disaster relief victims

“Pat Brown has made a tremendous impact on the lives of seniors in Beaufort County.”