



Charlottesville Area Tennis Association

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Charlottesville Area Tennis Association's Jump Start QuickStart Tennis Initiative Receives First Grant Funding



Red Hill Elementary After-School Tennis Program kids tour Luck Stone's Keswick quarry

Charlottesville, Virginia (2/10/2009) – The Charlottesville Area Tennis Association has received its first grant funding for its ***Jump Start QuickStart Tennis Initiative***. ***Jump Start QuickStart***, which was officially launched in December 2008, aims to take the USTA's new format for kids 10 and under to 16,000 kids in 42 elementary schools in seven counties in central Virginia and the City of Charlottesville over the next three years. The first grant was made by the Luck Stone Foundation of Richmond, Virginia.

Charles S. Luck, III, President of the foundation, said, "We are committed to supporting the communities where we operate and are delighted that we could assist with this project."

Lynda Harrill, QuickStart Tennis Coordinator said “We are thrilled! I received the news of Luck Stone’s generous grant during the UVa Men’s Tennis match against Kentucky, so no one thought my jumping up and down was unusual. I was over the top. This will mean so much to so many kids in our region.”

Grant funding will be used to purchase QuickStart Tennis equipment for schools and parks and recreation departments in Albemarle, Buckingham, Fluvanna, Greene, Louisa, Nelson and Orange counties and the City of Charlottesville.

Charlottesville Area Tennis Association (formerly Charlottesville Tennis Patrons Association) is a grassroots, all-volunteer Community Tennis Association that has been promoting the growth of tennis in our community primarily for our youth, especially the underprivileged and underserved, for over 40 years.

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Tennis – it all starts with QuickStart!

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