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## Parker College of Business students paint for a purpose

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Parker College of Business Students in the Beta Alpha Psi honorary organization volunteer at the Humane Society of Statesboro and Bulloch County.

The Humane Society of Statesboro and Bulloch County (HSSBC) has a fresh coat of paint for its new adoption center thanks to a group of Parker College of Business students who spent the weekend rolling up their sleeves to help the community organization.

Parker Business Scholars Braylen Dixon and Alicia Martinez, as well as Jessey Alley, Addie Spinos and Christian Tinsley, all students in the Georgia Southern chapter of Beta Alpha Psi (BAP), an honorary organization for financial information students and professionals, painted the interior of the HSSBC's new adoption center and the neighboring fence of a thrift store.

"I personally chose to help the Humane Society because I believe in their cause and love animals," said Alley. "Additionally, the office in Statesboro is not publicly funded, so it can use as much volunteer assistance as possible. The Humane Society is so important for our community; the fine people that give their time to help rescue and find homes for animals that might otherwise go neglected and hungry help keep pets safe."

The volunteers worked with Kania Greer, Ed.D., the president of HSSBC, to complete the project. Greer is also the coordinator of the Institute for Interdisciplinary STEM Education at Georgia Southern.

“It was truly a labor of love for these students, and we could not have done it without them,” Greer said. “They didn’t miss a beat and have even offered to come back and do more if we need it done. It was such a joy to have them there. I think the highlight for me was just listening to their banter and their discussions of class and of what they were going to do for internships and after graduation. They were encouraging each other about classes and passing along information to each other to help with interviews.”

BAP is an international honor society for accounting, finance and information systems students attending universities accredited by AACSB International: The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business or the European Quality Improvement System. As part of the requirements of being a member of BAP, the candidates and members must participate in community service and professional activities.

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