# **CLARITY'S HISTORY IN UPSTATE SC**

## ~1948~

Greenville Hearing Society was formed.

#### ~1954~

Agency was renamed as the Greenville Hearing and Speech Society to better indicate its work

## ~1956~

Agency was designated as a 501 (c) (3) entity and receives support from the United Fund for the first time.

#### ~1958~

Merger of different groups, including Greenville Hearing and Speech Center, to form the United Speech and Hearing Services of Greenville County.

# ~1968~

Program (organized and implemented by a therapist with the agency) was begun in the Greenville General Hospital to test the hearing of all infants born there. Meanwhile, plans were also in the works to plan and coordinate speech and hearing programs across the upstate from Oconee to Cherokee counties.

### ~1971~

Mobile services were a reality with the addition of a van, staffed by a speech pathologist and nurse, serving 60 rural areas throughout the Upstate.

## ~1973~

The agency added learning services and agency becomes The Speech, Hearing and Learning Center, Inc.

## ~1992~

Initial discussions of collaborative/co~located services for children with disabilities and the concept of what was to become the Center for Developmental Services emerged.

### ~2000~

The Center for Developmental Services opened and The Speech, Hearing and Learning Center relocated as a founding partner of CDS.

# ~2009~

The Speech, Hearing and Learning Center changed its name to Clarity, Inc. to better reflect its hope for positive outcomes for its patients and clients.

### ~2017~

Clarity added counseling services to better serve the multi~faceted needs our patients and clients.

Clarity revitalized its Mobile Speech and Hearing Program.

## ~2020~

Clarity began offering telehealth and teletherapy services to better meet the needs of our clients during the COVID-19 pandemic and to reach clients in underserved geographic areas.

Clarity added Feeding Therapy as a specialization in the Speech and Language Services Department.