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Rockingham County Community Foundation announces new fund

The Rockingham County Community Foundation announces the establishment of a new fund, according to the board of advisors.

The new fund is the W. Reid Martin Endowment for programs supporting at-risk students attending Dalton McMichael High School in Rockingham County. Reid Martin was the older brother of Lemma Apple, who founded the Apple Foundation that served unmet needs in Rockingham and Stokes counties. Former trustees of the now defunct Apple Foundation Ben Vernon from Cornelius, NC and Jack Webster of Madison, NC initiated the creation of the Martin Endowment with the Rockingham County Community Foundation.

"The Rockingham County Community Foundation is very pleased to add the W. Reid Martin Endowment to our local family of funds." says Ben Tucker, Rockingham County Community Foundation board president.

To make a donation, simply make your check out to "the W. Reid Martin Endowment" and mail it to: NC Community Foundation, 524 Six Forks Road, Ste. 524, Raleigh, N.C. 27609. Online donations also can be made at nccommunityfoundation.org; simply press the "Give Now" button on any page.

For further information, contact either NCCF Regional Associate, Dawn Neighbors at 910- 292-4437 or NCCF Philanthropic Specialist Mary Anne Howard at 919-256-6924. We invite you to visit the NCCF website at www.nccommunityfoundation.org and click on "Affiliates."

About the Rockingham County Community Foundation

The Rockingham County Community Foundation is an affiliate of the North Carolina Community Foundation and began in 1994 serving as a leader in the county supporting local nonprofit organizations. In 2015 they granted more than \$174,000 in grants through the Duke Energy Dan River Basin Fund. They currently have assets totaling \$1,421,163.00. Aside from Tucker, the Rockingham County board of advisors includes Ellen Campbell, Robbie Citty, Flavel Collins, Barry Dodson, J. Michael Fargis, W. Thomas Flynt, Ted Haapala, R. Martin Melvin, Kathy Page, Dixie Penn, Micky Silvers and Fred Timper.

About the North Carolina Community Foundation

The NCCF is the single statewide community foundation serving North Carolina and has made \$101 million in grants since its inception in 1988. With more than \$237 million in assets, NCCF sustains 1,200 endowments established to provide long-term support of a broad range of community needs, nonprofit organizations, institutions and scholarships. The NCCF partners with 60 affiliate foundations to provide local resource allocation and community assistance in 67 counties across the state. An important component of NCCF's mission is to ensure that rural philanthropy has a voice at local,

regional and national levels.

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