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Watauga County Community Foundation awards more than \$18,000 in local grants

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The board of advisors of the Watauga County Community Foundation announces awards from the Armfield and Rachel Rivers Coffey Memorial Fund and Watauga Legacy Fund, according to Ryan Postlethwait, board president.

This year's grant recipients include:

- \$2,000 to Blue Ridge Conservancy for Cooper Farm.
- \$3,000 to The Children's Playhouse for playhouse program support.
- \$2,000 to Foscoe Grandfather Community Center for community park enhancement.
- \$2,000 to High Country CSA for the High Country CSA Cost-Share program.
- \$3,000 to Hospitality House for the Circles of the High Country project.
- \$1,000 to Mountain Alliance.
- \$1,000 to Second Harvest Food Bank of Northwest NC for partner agency support.
- \$2,000 to Western Youth Network for the Summer Program Scholarship Fund
- \$1,000 to Spirt Ride Inc. for tack, grooming and educational needs to be met.
- \$1,000 to The Blowing Rock Art and History Museum for Junaluska Community Exhibit and outreach.
- \$500 to Valle Crucis Community Park for Valle Crucis Community Park Environmental Education Center.

Postlethwait thanked the community for its support of the Watauga County Community Foundation. "These grants are important to our community and our quality of life," he said. "Critical programs would not be possible without the generosity of many individuals and organizations that have supported Watauga County's community fund."

About the Watauga County Community Foundation

The Watauga County Community Foundation is an affiliate of the North Carolina Community Foundation (NCCF). In addition to Postlethwait, board members include: Catherine Bare (secretary), Bettie Bond, Bob Bondi, Lisa Cooper, Brian Crutchfield, Lee Carol Giduz, Gary Moss, Olee Olsen and Stephen Poulos. Tax-deductible contributions can be made to the Community Grantmaking Fund, which is administered by the NCCF. Contributions should be made payable to the Watauga County Community Fund and mailed to the North Carolina Community Foundation, 4601 Six Forks Road, Suite 524, Raleigh, NC 27609. Contributions can also be made online at nccommunityfoundation.org.

For further information, contact NCCF Regional Director Colby Martin at 828-358-0030 or cmartin@nccommunityfoundation.org or visit the NCCF website at nccommunityfoundation.org.

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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