WATAUGA COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION



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Watauga County Community Foundation awards more than \$22,000 in local grants

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The board of advisors of the Watauga County Community Foundation announces \$22,100 in local awards from its community grantmaking fund and the Armfield and Rachel Rivers Coffey Memorial Fund, according to Ryan Postlethwait, board president.

This year the board will grant:

- \$2,000 to the Back 2 School Festival for general operating support
- \$2,000 to the Blue Ridge Women in Agriculture for developing the Tuesday King Street Farmers' Market: A Regional Farmers' Market
- \$1,500 to the Children's Council of Watauga County, Inc. for the family literacy program
- \$3,000 to F.A.R.M. Cafe, Inc. for the High Country food recovery program
- \$500 to In/Visible Arts for The Place Setting: A Theatrical Adaptation of Fred Sauceman's Appalachian Foodways Writing
- \$1,250 to the Mountain Alliance for the leadership development program
- \$500 to Prevent Blindness North Carolina for the Star Pupils Watauga County program
- \$1,250 to the Second Harvest Food Bank of Northwest NC for Service Insights-Data Tracking Rollout
- \$2,250 to Spirit Ride Inc. for the Help Us Never Say No program
- \$500 to Two Rivers Community School for the Mountain Adventure program
- \$2,000 to WAMY Community Action, Inc. for Mountain Adventure Days
- \$1,600 to Watauga County Habitat for Humanity for the A Brush With Kindness Home Repair Project program
- \$2,500 to the Watauga County Historical Society for the Digital Watauga Project
- \$1,250 to the Western Youth Network for the Summer Camp Program

Postlethwait thanked the community for its support of the Watauga County Community Foundation. "We are proud to support these nonprofit programs that are so important to our community," he said. "We are grateful to the many generous individuals and organizations that have supported the Watauga County Community Foundation and our work to inspire philanthropy across our community."

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

About the Watauga County Community Foundation

The Watauga County Community Foundation is a growing family of philanthropic funds, resource for area nonprofits, source of grants for worthy local causes and partner for donors. WCCF is led by a local volunteer advisory board that helps build community assets through the creation of permanent endowments, makes grants and leverages leadership – all for the benefit of Watauga County. Whatever your means or charitable goals, the WCCF makes it easy to become a philanthropist. WCCF was founded in 1991 and is an affiliate foundation of the North Carolina Community Foundation. In addition to Postlethwait, board members include: Anthony Stephen Poulos (secretary), Brian Crutchfield (grants chair), Bettie Bond, David Jackson, Gary Moss, Susan Poorman, Jane Rogers and Don Saunders.

Tax-deductible contributions, made payable to the Watauga County Community Foundation, can be mailed to the North Carolina Community Foundation, 3737 Glenwood Ave. Suite 460, Raleigh, NC 27612. Contributions can also be made online at <u>nccommunityfoundation.org</u>.

About the North Carolina Community Foundation

The NCCF is the single statewide community foundation serving North Carolina and has administered more than \$130 million in grants since its inception in 1988. With nearly \$247 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 a network of affiliate foundations to provide local resource allocation and community assistance 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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