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**Wilkes Community Foundation awards \$5,910 in local grants**

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The board of advisors of the Wilkes Community Foundation announces \$5,910 in local grant awards from its community grantmaking fund and the Kyle Hayes Memorial Endowment Fund, according to Graham Wyche, board president.

This year's nonprofit recipients include:

- \$500 to Project Lazarus for recovery services
- \$500 to Appalachian State University for senior programs
- \$500 to Communities In Schools of Wilkes for New Century Scholars
- \$500 to Wilkes Circles of Care for Wilkes Circles of Care
- \$500 to Operation FINALLY HOME for U.S. Army SPC Chance Cleary Project
- \$910 to Catherine H. Barber Memorial Shelter, Inc. for food cards for daytime relief during inclement weather.
- \$500 to Unified City Church for Justice Project Food Pantry
- \$500 to Crisis Assistance of St. Paul's Episcopal Church for Crisis Assistance Survival
- \$1,000 to Wilkes Adult Developmental Activity Program, Inc. for Wilkes Works 2017
- \$500 to Mediation & Restorative Justice Center for MRJC: Building Community Capacity for Managing Conflict

Wyche thanked the community for its support of the Wilkes 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 Wilkes County's community fund."

**About the Wilkes Community Foundation**

The Wilkes Community Foundation was founded by a group of committed citizens to serve as a local resource to meet community needs through permanent endowments

that fuel grantmaking. In addition to Wyche, board members include: Michael Cooper (vice president), Charlie White (secretary-treasurer), Amanda Perry (grants chair), Shanna Bell, Susan Cogdill, Kenneth Foster, Evan Handy, Bill Harris, Jerry Smithey and Scott Young. WCF is an affiliate of the North Carolina Community Foundation, which administers its funds.

Tax-deductible contributions, made payable to the Wilkes 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 [nccommunityfoundation.org](http://nccommunityfoundation.org).

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### **About the North Carolina Community Foundation**

The NCCF is the single statewide community foundation serving North Carolina and has made more than \$130 million in grants since its inception in 1988. With more than \$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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