

## Moore Women's giving circle awards 2015 grants

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Moore Women – A Giving Circle recently held its second grant ceremony at the historic Weymouth Center in Southern Pines to present the 2015 awards, according to Elizabeth Cox, co-chair of the giving network. The local giving network awarded \$17,000 to organizations in Moore County.

This year's nonprofit recipients include:

- \$1,500 to Communities in Schools of Moore County for its program to help female high school students "discover their voices;"
- \$2,000 to Girl Scouts of NC Coastal Pines for its Moore County Outreach Program to eliminate financial barriers to participation;
- \$3,500 to Sandhills Moore Coalition for Human Care for its Shoes for Students, which will provide new shoes to school-recommended elementary school students in Moore County;
- \$5,000 to Northern Moore Family Resource Center to expand its HOPE Academy to three-year-olds;
- And \$5,000 to The Arc of Moore County to provide resources to meet extraordinary needs for single mothers with children with disabilities.

Cox and Kathy Rezeli, a member of the grants committee, presented the awards. They noted that the grants are important to the women and children of Moore County and that these critical programs would not be possible without the generosity of many local individuals and organizations

Caroline Eddy closed the gathering on behalf of Co-Chair Susie Smith, thanking the grantees for their important work, the Moore Women membership for their generous philanthropic support and the Weymouth Center for graciously hosting the event.

Moore Women – A Giving Circle is a program of the North Carolina Community Foundation and seeks to maximize women's leadership in philanthropy and strengthen the local community through collective giving.

For more information on this group, please contact Dawn Neighbors, NCCF Sandhills regional associate, at 910-292-4437 or <a href="mailto:dneighbors@nccommunityfoundation.org">dneighbors@nccommunityfoundation.org</a> or visit the NCCF website at nccommunityfoundation.org and click on "Women's Giving."

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