

**Community grants available from the Swain County Community Foundation**

The board of advisors of the Swain County Community Foundation is currently accepting grant applications from area nonprofits that serve general needs in the local community. Priority will be given to organizations focusing on youth and education.

Funds are available for nonprofit organizations that focus on youth and education in Swain County. Grants will be awarded from the community grantmaking fund. Applications are available online beginning June 21. Visit [nccommunityfoundation.org](http://www.nccommunityfoundation.org) for information about applying. The deadline for applications is noon July 23. A grantseekers workshop will be held on Thursday, July 11, at 11am at the Marianna Black Library. Learn more about grant writing tips and how to use our online system. Please RSVP to kcrumpler@nccommunityfoundation.org by July 8 to reserve your spot.

“This is a great opportunity for local nonprofits to expand their impact in our community,” said Ashley Butcher, SCCF board president. “We are excited to partner with nonprofit leaders to create lasting change in the community.”

For further information, contact NCCF Regional Director Katie Crumpler at 828-538-4299 or kcrumpler@nccommunityfoundation.org or visit the NCCF website at [nccommunityfoundation.org](http://www.nccommunityfoundation.org).

**About the Swain County Community Foundation**

An affiliate of the North Carolina Community Foundation, the Swain County Community Foundation is a growing family of philanthropic funds, source of grants for local causes and partners for donors. The SCCF was founded in 1993 and 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 Swain County.

The SCCF board advises the Swain County Community Fund, the unrestricted community grantmaking fund, to support local needs. This competitive grants program is held on an annual basis. Since advisory board members live and work in Swain County, they can leverage resources to help meet local needs and access opportunities. In addition to Butcher, board members include: Cindy Allison Thompson (secretary), Robert Loafman, Brandy Monteith and Karen Proctor-Wilmot.

The Swain County Community Foundation, through the NC Community Foundation, makes it easy to become a philanthropist, whatever your means or charitable goals. You can open an endowment for your favorite cause at any time – or contribute to an existing fund in any amount. Tax-deductible contributions, made payable to the Swain 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 [nccommunityfoundation.org](http://www.nccommunityfoundation.org).

**About the North Carolina Community Foundation**

The NCCF is the single statewide community foundation serving North Carolina and has administered more than $145 million in grants since its inception in 1988. With more than $270 million in assets, NCCF sustains 1,300 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.

For more information, visit [nccommunityfoundation.org](http://www.nccommunityfoundation.org).

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