Community grants available from the Watauga County Community Foundation

The board of advisors of the Watauga County Community Foundation is currently accepting grant applications from area nonprofits that serve general needs in the local community.

Funds are available for nonprofit organizations that serve general community needs in Watauga County. Grants will be awarded from the Watauga County Community Grantmaking Fund and the Armfield and Rachel Rivers Coffey Memorial Fund. Grants generally range between $1,000 and $2,500. Larger amounts may be considered for projects or initiatives with the potential to achieve significant positive impact for Watauga County. Total grantmaking will not exceed $20,000.

Applications are available online beginning March 1. Visit nccommunityfoundation.org for information about applying. The deadline for applications is noon April 2.

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

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 Watauga County Community Foundation

An affiliate of the North Carolina Community Foundation, the Watauga County Community Foundation is a growing family of philanthropic funds, source of grants for local causes and partners for donors. The WCCF was founded in 1991 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 Watauga County.

The WCCF board advises the Watauga County Community Fund, the unrestricted community grantmaking fund, to support local needs. This competitive grants program is held annually.
Advisory board members live and work in Watauga County, putting them in a position to strategically leverage resources, meet local needs and access opportunities. In addition to Poulos, board members include: Brian Crutchfield (vice-president/grants chair), Ryan Postlethwait (secretary), Bettie Bond, Gary Moss, Jane Rogers and Don Saunders.

The WCCF, through the NCCF, 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 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 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.

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