Duplin County local nonprofits awarded $56,000 in Hurricane Florence recovery grants from the North Carolina Community Foundation Disaster Relief Fund

The board of advisors of the Duplin County Community Foundation recently awarded $56,250 in recovery grants from the North Carolina Community Foundation Disaster Relief Fund to support the long-term recovery of the local community from Hurricane Florence.

Organizations receiving grants are:

- $45,220 to the Disaster Recovery Group of Duplin County for the Disaster Recovery Group of Duplin County's expenses directly related to repairs and other costs supporting long term recovery for Hurricane Florence victims in Duplin County
- $3,030 to the Mediation Center of Eastern Carolina-Duplin to support funding for youth in Duplin County whose families need clothing, school supplies and household items lost due to Hurricane Florence
- $2,000 to Helping His Hands Disaster Response to support rebuilding homes in and around Wallace, in Duplin County, damaged by Hurricane Florence
- $2,000 to Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries to provide unmet needs assistance to those impacted by Hurricane Florence in Duplin County
- $2,000 to the Eastern Baptist Association for NC Baptist on Mission work rebuilding and/or furnishing appliances and furniture for Hurricane Florence victims in Duplin County
- $2,000 to East Duplin Christian Outreach for unmet needs assisting those impacted by Hurricane Florence in Duplin County

The grants were made from the NCCF Disaster Relief Fund’s initial grantmaking allocations to support long-term recovery and meet unmet needs from Hurricane Florence in Duplin County.

“This grants are critical to the long-term recovery of Duplin County from Hurricane Florence,” said Bob Kornegay, DCCF advisory board president. “The North Carolina Community Foundation Disaster Relief Fund is a pivotal resource to our local community thanks to the generosity of many donors who gave to help eastern North Carolina.”

NCCF is keenly aware of how deeply Hurricane Florence impacted eastern North Carolina and devastated many communities in our state, according to Jennifer Tolle Whiteside, CEO and president. “The North Carolina Community Foundation has been in these communities for more than 30 years and will continue to be there supporting disaster recovery long after the TV
cameras are gone,” she said. “We were grateful to see the outpouring of generosity that supported the NCCF Disaster Relief Fund and are honored to steward these funds to support long-term recovery efforts and meet unmet needs.”

About the Duplin County Community Foundation

The Duplin County Community Foundation is a growing family of philanthropic funds, source of grants for local causes and partner for donors. DCCF was founded in 2005 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 Duplin County.

The DCCF is an affiliate of the North Carolina Community Foundation. In addition to Kornegay, board members include: Debra Morrisey (vice-president), Jayme Jones (treasurer), Brittainy Kildow (secretary), Wayne Branch, Kimberly Butler, Francisco Diaz, Ed Emory, Todd Minchew, Linda Smith and Florence Webb-Becton.

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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