

MACON COUNTY
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Macon County Community Foundation awards more than \$13,000 in local grants

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The board of advisors of the Macon County Community Foundation recently announced \$13,970 in local grant awards from the community grantmaking fund.

This year the board granted:

- \$500 to the Blue Ridge Mountains Health Project, Inc., doing business as the Blue Ridge Free Dental Clinic, for increasing access to dental care in Macon County
- \$2,000 to the Counseling and Psychotherapy Center of Highlands for outpatient mental health care supplement
- \$1,869 to the International Friendship Center for the Food Pantry of Highlands
- \$500 to the Macon County Humane Society, Inc, doing business as the Appalachian Animal Rescue Center for spay/neuter assistance for low income residents
- \$750 to the Macon Program for Progress for the "Roll and Read" program
- \$500 to Macon TRACS, Inc. for the TROT: Therapeutic Riding Over Trails program
- \$1,000 to NAMI Appalachian South, NC for leadership training
- \$800 to Resources, Education, Assistance, Counseling, and Housing of Macon County, Inc for the Domestic Violence Emergency Shelter Animal Support Initiative
- \$1,551 to the Mountain Retreat & Learning Center for the Pollinator Education Program
- \$1,500 to Thirtieth Judicial District Domestic Violence-Sexual Assault Alliance, Inc. for the Immigrant Outreach Project
- \$2,500 to Union Academy for Operation RISE
- \$500 to the Western North Carolina AIDS Project for WNCAP's Syringe Exchange Program of Franklin

Nicole Sloop, board vice president, thanked the community for its support of the Macon County Community Foundation. “We are proud to support these nonprofit programs that are so vital to the community,” she said. “We are grateful to the many generous individuals and organizations that have supported our work to inspire philanthropy across our community.”

The Macon County Community Foundation is a growing family of philanthropic funds, source of grants for local causes and partner for donors. MCCF 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 Macon County.

The MCCF board advises the Macon County Community Fund, the unrestricted community grantmaking fund, to support local needs. This competitive grants program is held annually. Because advisory board members live and work in Macon County, they can leverage resources to help meet local needs and access opportunities. Board members include: Kathy Greenwood, Louise Henry, Lisa Leatherman, Dave Linn, Regina Lupoli, Justyne Reece and Karen Stiwinter.

The MCCF, through the North Carolina 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 Macon 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.

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