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Martin County Community Foundation announces new board vice president

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The board of advisors of the Martin County Community Foundation announces new advisory board Vice President Gary Sproat, according to Lucia Peel, board president.

Sproat is a St. Louis, MO native who settled in Martin County after graduating from UNC Wilmington. He and his wife, a Williamston native, have lived in the community for five years. He is an Electrical Designer for Dominion Energy. He is a member of the First Christian Church of Williamston Board and a Volunteer Assistant Coach for the JV and Varsity Boys Basketball Team at Riverside High School.

"We are very excited to have Gary serve as vice president of the Martin County Community Foundation board of advisors," Peel said. "We look forward to working with him to benefit our local community."

The Martin County Community Foundation is a growing family of philanthropic funds, source of grants for local causes and partner for donors. MCCF was founded in 2004 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 Martin County.

The MCCF board advises the Martin 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 Martin County, they can leverage resources to help meet local needs and access opportunities. In addition to Peel and Sproat, board members include: Susan Dunlow (secretary), Mary Katherine Saunders (treasurer), Loyall Corey, Deryl Fulmer, Simon Griffin, Leslie Johnson, Jerry McCrary and Nancy Winslow.

The MCCF, 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 Martin 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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