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North Carolina Community Foundation Disaster Relief Fund accepting donations in wake of Hurricane Florence, flooding

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RALEIGH — Contributions are needed for the North Carolina Community Foundation Disaster Relief Fund to support recovery efforts related to Hurricane Florence and subsequent flooding in North Carolina.

The NCCF Disaster Relief Fund will support nonprofits offering programs that help hurricane victims in our state. All funds raised for the NCCF Disaster Relief Fund will go directly to nonprofit organizations serving needs in the impacted areas of North Carolina. No portion of the funds raised will be used for the Foundation's administrative or operational expenses. The Foundation will also encourage this practice among local recipient agencies.

Donations can be made online through the NCCF website at nccommunityfoundation.org via the "Give Now" button. Checks can be mailed to NCCF at 3737 Glenwood Ave., Suite 460, Raleigh, NC 27612. Please designate your gift for "Disaster Relief" or include a contribution available on the NCCF website under the "Giving" tab. Please call 919-828-4387 or 800-532-1349 if you need assistance with donations. All gifts are tax-deductible.

"Hurricane Florence has already been labeled among the costliest storms in history, and the full extent of the subsequent flooding is still unknown," said NCCF CEO and President Jennifer Tolle Whiteside. "Our affiliate foundations and statewide grants committee know our state and its communities and will ensure that donations to the NCCF Disaster Relief Fund are effectively granted to nonprofits that can best serve the needs in North Carolina." The NCCF Disaster Relief Fund's grantmaking strategy generally focuses on mid- to long-term recovery efforts and unmet needs in affected communities, Tolle Whiteside said. "We don't compete with first-responders."

For more information, visit <u>nccommunityfoundation.org</u> or contact the NCCF headquarters in Raleigh via phone at 919-828-4387 or 800-532-1349 or via email at <u>info@nccommunityfoundation.org</u>.

About the North Carolina Community Foundation

The NCCF is the single statewide community foundation serving North Carolina and has administered more than \$130 million in grants since its inception in 1988. With nearly \$247

million in assets, NCCF sustains 1,200 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 <u>nccommunityfoundation.org</u>, like us on <u>Facebook</u> and follow us on <u>LinkedIn</u> and <u>Twitter</u> @NCCF.

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