New Hanover County Community Foundation awards $47,000 in local grants

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The board of advisors of the New Hanover County Community Foundation recently announced $47,000 in local awards from the community grantmaking fund, the Suzanne and George Taylor Endowment, the Food Bank of Coastal Carolina Fund and the 1898 Memorial Fund at a grant awards ceremony, according to Kristi Sullivan, board president.

This year the board granted:

- $3,000 to “Bread for Life” for the enhanced nutrition program
- $5,000 to the Assistance League of Greater Wilmington for the Operation School Bell program
- $2,500 to the Cape Fear Literary Council for the Laptops for Literacy program
- $3,480 to DREAMS of Wilmington for general operating support
- $3,000 to the Family Promise of the Lower Cape Fear for the Families Forward Traditional Housing program
- $2,500 to First Fruit Ministries to replace overhead lights in the Wilmington Dream Center
- $3,200 to Lump to Laughter for the Angel Fund Home Preservation for single-parent families affected by breast cancer program
- $5,000 to NourishNC Inc. for the New Hanover Kids- Healthy Not Hungry program
- $2,000 to Oasis NC for Coding Camp for Students with Autism
- $2,500 to Prevent Blindness North Carolina for the Star Pupils New Hanover County program
- $3,400 to the Anchor United Methodist Church for the Switchin’ Gears- Bikes with Helmets for Every Child program
- $5,000 to the Wilmington Children’s Museum Inc. for The Science of You exhibit
- $2,500 to the Wilmington Youth Initiative Inc. for the First Tee Life Skills Experience program

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• $3,920 to Young Women Leading Inc. for the Removing Barriers for a Better Education-Food and Nutrition program

Sullivan thanked the community for its support of the New Hanover County Community Foundation. “We are proud to support these nonprofit programs that are so important to our community,” she said. “We are grateful to the many generous individuals and organizations that have supported the New Hanover County Community Foundation and our work to inspire philanthropy across our community.”

For further information, contact NCCF Regional Director Anne Sorhagen at 910-202-6727 or asorhagen@nccommunityfoundation.org or visit the NCCF website at nccommunityfoundation.org.

The New Hanover County Community Foundation is a growing family of philanthropic funds, source of grants for local causes and partner for donors. OCFF was founded in 2009 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 New Hanover County.

The NHCCF board advises the New Hanover 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 New Hanover County, they can leverage resources to help meet local needs and access opportunities. In addition to Sullivan, board members include: Patrick Boykin (vice president), Justin Burgess (secretary), Charles Earney (treasurer), Jonathan Alper, Ned Barclay, Ronald Copley, Eldridge Dodson, Stephen Gaskins, Frank Gibson, Martin Green, Patrick Moore, Hollis Moye Ray, Jane Rippy, Frankie Roberts and Anna Van Rens Taylor.

The NHCCF, 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 New Hanover 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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New Hanover County Community Foundation board members and grantee representatives gather for a photo at this year’s grant awards ceremony where $47,000 in local grants were awarded.

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