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## NEWS RELEASE

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### York County Community Foundation Grants \$39,132 to Address Food Insecurity, Health, Housing and More

**YORK COUNTY, S.C.** – The York County Community Foundation recently awarded \$39,132 in grants to 21 local nonprofits. The grants will support projects and programs that address food insecurity, health, housing and other community needs in York County.

Grants from this cycle include \$2,500 to Hope, Inc. to provide fresh food and produce to seniors experiencing food insecurity; \$2,000 to NAMI Piedmont Tri-County to support mental health services for frontline workers, first responders, educators and their families; and \$3,000 to Life House Women’s Shelter to help support the emergency shelter at Pathways Community Center.

“We are grateful for the York County Community Foundation and their support of the Life House Women’s Shelter,” said Courtney Denton, chair of Life House Women’s Shelter’s board of directors. “The awarded grant will enable us to purchase beds, pillows, linens, towels and toiletries to provide the basic needs of safe shelter and access to showers for women in our community who have no place to sleep. We are committed to providing help and hope to women in need and ensuring access to referral and resource to help them gain sustainability. Thank you again YCCF for your partnership in helping to make this happen!”

The YCCF is a regional affiliate of Charlotte-based Foundation For The Carolinas. The grants were awarded by the York County Community Foundation’s local Board of Advisors as part of its annual grantmaking program. The YCCF has invested more than \$850,000 in projects and programs that support York County residents since 1992.

“It’s a privilege for the York County Community Foundation to be able to positively impact the people and communities of York County,” said Shaun Barnes, chair of YCCF’s Board of Advisors. “Even though we couldn’t address every grant request that was received, we were able to provide some level of support for nearly two-thirds of the organizations that applied. We know that these funds will be used to provide for the needs of our neighbors throughout the county.”

The York County Community Foundation’s 2022 grant awards include:

- **\$1,300 to Adult Enrichment Centers** to help support alternative reality programs designed to reduce social isolation in adult day health care centers.
- **\$800 to Alston Wilkes Society** to help provide basic needs and employment supports to former offenders and other populations at-risk of experiencing homelessness in York County.
- **\$2,500 to Bethel Men’s Shelter** to provide case management services to men experiencing homelessness.
- **\$1,000 to Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Carolinas** to help support the Fort Mill Middle School mentoring program.
- **\$582 to Catawba RiverKeeper Foundation** to support cleanup and monitoring efforts for York County waterways.
- **\$2,000 to Children’s Attention Home** to support the children’s services program, which provides residential care and developmental services to children who have been removed from their homes due to abuse or neglect.
- **\$2,000 to Children’s Cancer Partners of the Carolinas** to provide financial support to families of York County children undergoing cancer treatment.

- **\$2,500 to Culture and Heritage Museums** to support improvements to the nature trail and gardens at the Museum of York County.
- **\$250 to the Early Learning Partnership of York County** to support the Reach Out and Read program in Western York County, which promotes early literacy with parents and their children.
- **\$1,000 to The Fellas** to support a summer workshop series that will provide tutoring, mentoring and personal growth learning opportunities to young men in Rock Hill.
- **\$250 to Girls on the Run Tri County** to support the girls running program in York County.
- **\$3,700 to Habitat for Humanity of York County** to support home repair projects for York County residents.
- **\$2,500 to Hope, Inc.** to provide fresh food and produce to York County seniors experiencing food insecurity.
- **\$1,750 to Hospice and Community Care** to help replace an ice dispenser unit at the Wayne T. Patrick Hospice House.
- **\$3,000 to Life House Women’s Shelter** to help purchase beds, mattresses, sheets, blankets and towels for the emergency shelter at Pathways Community Center.
- **\$2,000 to NAMI Piedmont Tri-County** to support mental health services for frontline workers, first responders, educators and their families in York County.
- **\$2,500 to Pathways Community Center** to help support security and building maintenance costs.
- **\$2,000 to Pilgrims’ Inn** to support the Creating Independence Through Education and Employment Program, which provides case management services for residents of the shelter and transitional housing apartments to work towards goals for employment or education.
- **\$2,500 to RideAbility Therapeutic Riding Center** to provide equine-assisted services to veterans and to children and adults with special needs.
- **\$2,500 to Rock Hill Schools Education Foundation** to help support the Back the Pack program, which provides nonperishable food items for weekend meals to Rock Hill Schools students experiencing food insecurity.
- **\$2,500 to the York County Free Clinic** to provide health care services to uninsured York County residents.

For more information about the York County Community Foundation, visit: [yorkcounty-cf.org](http://yorkcounty-cf.org).

### **About the York County Community Foundation**

Established in 1988 as a permanent endowment, the York County Community Foundation benefits a wide range of charitable purposes. As an affiliate of Foundation For The Carolinas, the York County Community Foundation inspires philanthropy, increases charitable giving and strengthens the community. Visit [www.yorkcounty-cf.org](http://www.yorkcounty-cf.org) for more information.

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