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Report on the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024

Here is a quick update on some of CCF's programs and activities for the year ending 6/30/2024:

- Grants and scholarships Goal: Make grants that maximize impact. *We awarded* \$7,302,884 in 1,244 grants and 159 scholarships to improve the quality of life in our community and increase access to college education.
- Nonprofit endowment management Goal: Nonprofit sustainability. Endowments established for nonprofit
 organizations (agency and designated) grew to \$40,324,274.86 and provided essential funding for their
 missions.
- Community grants Goal: Improve the quality of life in Cumberland County in the areas of arts, historic preservation, education, health, seniors, youth, environment, human services, and many other areas. *CCF awarded grants that improve the quality of life of senior citizens, develop youth leadership, increase literacy, connect kids to robotics and science, grow parental involvement in schools, help children dealing with parental cancer, provide laptops at high-need schools, provide bus passes for homeless people to the health department and job interviews, support mental health services, sponsor educational and cultural programming for local children, connect gift students to STEM programs, present the visual arts and related education in nine schools, and provide general support for the local no-kill animal shelter. Check our website and monthly e-newsletter to learn more.*
- GivingTuesday campaign Goal: Raise general operating support for 81 local nonprofit organizations. *We raised* \$2,526,175 in ten days and distributed 100% to the participating organizations.
- Women's Giving Circle of Cumberland County Goal: Increase giving and advocacy for women and their children. The WGC developed the <u>2024 Community Scorecard</u>, grew membership to 135 members, and distributed \$68,600 in grants bringing total grants distributed to \$820,606.08.
- Summertime Kids Goal: Increase number of children and youth who have access to safe, fun, and high quality summer experiences. *Every summer since 1992, CCF has sent over 1,000 children to summer camp. In 2024, thanks to the donations of 144 people, over 1,400 children were able to attend camp.*
- Nonprofit training Goal: Strengthen the sector. In 2024, CCF hosted 7 training sessions to strengthen our nonprofit sector including presentations by the NC Center for Nonprofits and the Lilly School of Philanthropy.
- Catalyst funding Goal: Leverage local support to attract grants from statewide and national funders. *CCF* concluded the \$1,000,000 Education Attainment project with Fayetteville Technical Community College, increasing enrollment, degree completion, and certification of local students.
- Community leadership through convening Goal: Increasing cross-agency collaboration, improving systems, and leading change. CCF convened senior-serving organizations, youth-serving groups, and health care organizations to increase collaboration.
- Endowment management Goal: Wealth retention in the community, build sustainable philanthropic support for local causes. *CCF assets grew to \$137,561,769 as of 6/30/2024 thanks to excellent investment results and \$8,076,106 in donations from 2,023 donors.*
- Donor services Goal: Connect donors to local causes. *We received 5,838 donations from individuals who gave to 209 different funds for a wide variety of causes.*
- Fund Management Goal: Provide excellent stewardship of donor funds. *In 2024, CCF paid 1,539 grants from 603 funds according to the charitable purpose. Donors created 28 new funds in 2023.*
- Accountable stewardship Goal: Operate according to best practices and provide accountable and transparent stewardship for all gifts, endowments, and grants. *CCF is <u>audited</u> annually by Haigh, Byrd, & Lambert, LLP and*

is confirmed in compliance with Community Foundations National Standards®, the nation's highest standard for philanthropic excellence for legal, ethical, effective practices for community foundations.

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