



## News Release

### Cleveland County Community Foundation Awards Grants

September 21, 2015 - The Cleveland County Community Foundation recently awarded grants totaling \$11,500 to nine local nonprofit organizations:

- **\$2,000** to **Council on Aging of Cleveland County, Inc.** to purchase food for the Meals on Wheels Program.
- **\$1,500** to **Junior Charity League of Shelby, Inc.** to purchase clothing for children in need.
- **\$2,000** to **Kings Mountain Crisis Ministry** for their energy assistance program.
- **\$500** to **Kings Mountain Rotary Club** for food to support the backpack project.
- **\$1,000** to the **Master's House** to purchase food for the residents of the substance house.
- **\$500** to the **Ronald McDonald House of Charlotte** to assist Cleveland County families in the expense of staying the night.
- **\$2,000** to **Shoal Creek Baptist Church** for the Helping Hands Pantry.
- **\$1,000** to the **Walls Memorial Baptist Church, Health Ministry** for its emergency food pantry.
- **\$1,000** to **Washington Outreach Ministry, Inc.** for the community emergency food pantry.

"On behalf of the volunteer board of the Cleveland County Community Foundation, I am humbled to award grants to the worthy organizations outlined above," said Board Chair Ralph Meekins. "While these grants will make a lasting difference in our community, the needs our local nonprofits far outweigh our grantmaking capacity. We are currently fundraising to further increase our ability to support worthy organizations and programs who are helping those in our community who are less fortunate."

Those interested in supporting the Cleveland County Community Foundation can visit [www.clevelandcounty-cf.org](http://www.clevelandcounty-cf.org) to learn more, or to make an online contribution.

#### About the Cleveland County Community Foundation:

The Cleveland County Community Foundation was established in 1985 to increase charitable giving resources in Cleveland County. From its first contribution to create a community endowment, the Cleveland County Community Foundation has grown into a philanthropic organization overseeing nearly 30 funds with total charitable assets of more than \$6 million.

The Foundation assists donors in making charitable contributions to the community, provides services for nonprofit organizations to create new or manage existing endowments, and awards grants to those organizations serving the Cleveland community. It is an affiliate of Charlotte-based Foundation For The Carolinas. For information about the Cleveland County Community Foundation visit [www.clevelandcounty-cf.org](http://www.clevelandcounty-cf.org).

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