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News Release

Grants Available for Lancaster County Nonprofits The Lancaster County Community Foundation Plans to Award \$50,000!

LANCASTER – The Lancaster County Community Foundation will soon be accepting applications from eligible Lancaster County 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, congregations, governmental and educational institutions for its 2018 grant cycle. The grant cycle opens May 14 and closes June 8, 2018.

In 2017, Lancaster County Community Foundation awarded \$9,600 in grants to local nonprofits. The average grant size was \$1,000.

This year, thanks to an exciting new grant from the J. Marion Sims Foundation and a continuing partnership with Foundation For The Carolinas, the LCCF board intends to award approximately \$50,000; an increase of more than 400%! "This is real game changer for our board to be able to award this amount in grants," Board Chair, Jackie Harris, shared. "We are honored to be able to make a bigger impact in the community, and we are grateful to everyone who made this growth possible!"

With this incredible growth in grant funding, the board will consider awards from \$1,000-\$8,000 in 2018. Grants will support a broad range of charitable purposes, with priority given to arts & culture, education, health, housing and human services initiatives. Additional information and guidance is available online.

To apply, grant seekers are invited to visit the Online Grants Center at ftcgrants.communityforce.com and search for Lancaster County Community Foundation to access the online application.

Completed applications must be submitted online by noon on Friday, June 8, 2018. The system closes promptly at 12 p.m. and will not accept late submissions.

Contact Bridgette Todd with further questions about the application process at 704.973.4520 or btodd@fftc.org.

About the Lancaster County Community Foundation

Established in 1988 as a permanent endowment, the Lancaster County Community Foundation benefits a wide range of charitable purposes within the county. As an affiliate of Charlotte-based Foundation For The Carolinas, the Lancaster Foundation inspires philanthropy, increases charitable giving and strengthens the community. For information about the Lancaster County Community Foundation visit <u>lancastercounty-cf.org</u>.

About Foundation For The Carolinas

Celebrating its 60th year, Foundation For The Carolinas is the sixth-largest nonprofit community foundation in the country, serving donors and a broad range of charitable purposes in North and South Carolina. With assets of \$2.5 billion, FFTC's mission is to inspire philanthropy and empower individuals to create a better community. Visit www.fftc.org.

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