



News Release

Grants Available for Iredell County Nonprofits *Iredell County Community Foundation Now Accepting Applications*

February 13, 2017 – The Iredell County Community Foundation is currently accepting applications for its 2017 grant program from eligible Iredell County organizations including 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, congregations, governmental and educational institutions.

Priority will be given to requests for projects and programs that address literacy for children ages 5-10.

In 2015-2016, the Iredell County Community Foundation invested nearly \$200,000+ in child literacy programs: representing nearly 90% of all available grant funding. In 2017, the Board will continue to invest the majority of available grant funding in programs and projects that address this child literacy priority. Priority will be given to proposals requesting one-time funding to initiate child literacy projects and programs. Grants up to \$20,000 will be considered. A small number of requests that fall outside of this priority investment area will also be considered. Additional information and guidance is available online.

To begin the application process, grant seekers are invited to visit the Online Grants Center at <https://fftcgrants.communityforce.com> and search for Iredell County Community Foundation to access the online application. Past applicants can login to the Online Grants Center using their previously established ID and password. First-time applicants can create a new account.

Completed applications must be submitted online **by noon on Friday, March 10, 2017**. The system closes promptly at 12:00 pm and will not accept late submissions.

An informative webinar on how to apply for grants through the Online Grants Center can be viewed at <http://www.fftc.org/communityforce-webinar>. Contact Candice Abinanti with further questions about the application process at 704.973.4559 or cabinanti@fftc.org.

About the Iredell County Community Foundation:

Established in 1989 as a permanent endowment, the Iredell County Community Foundation benefits a range of charitable purposes. As an affiliate of Charlotte-based Foundation For The Carolinas, the Iredell County Community Foundation inspires philanthropy, increases charitable giving and strengthens the community.

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 local nonprofits. For more information please visit www.iredellcounty-cf.org.

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