





African American Community Foundation Kicks Off 25th Year with Grant Writing Workshop

CHARLOTTE – The <u>African American Community Foundation</u> will hold a complimentary **Grant Writing Basics** workshop on Feb. 6 from 9 a.m. to noon at Friendship Baptist Church. New grant writers or those who want to enhance their current skills are encouraged to attend. Additionally, organizations that plan to apply for a grant from the African American Community Foundation <u>must</u> attend the workshop.

Workshop topics will include grant terminology, writing tips, grant funding sources, types of grants and types of proposals. Registration is mandatory and is available at <u>www.fftc.org/events/AACFworkshop</u>. Space is limited, and attendees should review the AACF grant application in advance: <u>fftcgrants.communityforce.com</u>.

The AACF, which awards grants to nonprofits that address African Americans disparities in the Charlotte region, is celebrating its 25th anniversary in 2019. In honor of the milestone, AACF aims to increase its grantmaking in 2019 to \$25,000, up from \$10,000 last year.

Grant applications for 2019 will be available beginning Jan. 28, with a deadline of March 1 for submittal. Visit <u>www.fftc.org/Grants</u> to access the online grants system.

Established as a special program of Foundation For The Carolinas, the AACF supports efforts that promote economic self-reliance, equal opportunity, leadership skills and cultural awareness among the region's African American community. It also serves as a center for African American philanthropic development.

"Since we were founded, we have awarded more than \$400,000 in grants to nonprofits," said FFTC Vice President and Scholarships Program Officer, Qiana Austin. "So, this Grant Writing Basics workshop is a perfect way to start this celebratory year, because the AACF's legacy is in our 25 years of grants that uplift our community."

Grantmaking is made possible by the generosity of donors who support the African American Community Foundation. Donations can be made securely at <u>www.fftc.org/AACF</u>.

For questions about the workshop contact Edwenda Avery at <u>eavery@fftc.org</u> or 704.973.4582.

About Foundation For The Carolinas

Founded in 1958, 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 \$2.4 billion, FFTC's mission is to inspire philanthropy and empower individuals to create a better community. Visit www.fftc.org.

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