

The 2021 Longleaf Fund's Grant Cycle Opens

CHARLOTTE, NC – Foundation For The Carolinas has announced the opening of the 2021 Longleaf Fund grant cycle, awarding capital grants in select cities in North and South Carolina. FFTC is currently accepting applications from eligible organizations (in and serving) Fayetteville, Rocky Mount and Charlotte, as well as Spartanburg and Florence, SC.

In collaboration with nonprofit partners, Longleaf Fund grants aim to strengthen the character and achievement of at-risk children and youth while encouraging communities to reach higher and create opportunities for a brighter future.

Capital grants will be awarded from \$10,000 to \$150,000 to organizations serving at-risk children and youth for the following:

- Projects that build community and increase daily physical activity by building or enhancing age-appropriate, accessible space for play, sports and recreational activities.
- Projects that promote learning, especially for at-risk youth, with a particular emphasis on creating or improving access to technology.
- Projects that enhance the quality of life for children, ages 0-18, with disabilities (physical and/or mental) by improving their educational or physical environment and developing the children's physical capabilities.

The Longleaf Fund is an anonymous donor advised fund managed by Foundation For The Carolinas, the community foundation serving the greater Charlotte region. To learn about program guidelines, or to begin the application process:

fftcgrants.communityforce.com. Select "Grant Program Name: Longleaf Fund."

Interested applicants must complete an online application for consideration. Eligible projects need to be scheduled for completion within 12-18 months from grant award date to be considered for a 2021 grant.

Applications must be submitted **by 2 p.m., Thursday, March 11**. Contact Ayanna Wakefield with questions at 704.973.4543 or awakefield@fftc.org.

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 \$2.8 billion, FFTC's mission is to inspire philanthropy and empower individuals to create a better community. Visit www.fftc.org.

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