

## Foundation For Black Philanthropy Grants \$40,000 to Nonprofits Supporting Local Black Community

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – The Foundation For Black Philanthropy recently announced it awarded \$40,000 to eight local nonprofits as part of its 2022 grant award cycle. The grants were announced in February in honor of Black History Month.

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The Foundation For Black Philanthropy, an affiliate of Foundation For The Carolinas, was established in 1993 as a collective power designed to celebrate and uplift the strong tradition of Black giving in our community. The grant funds were made possible through the Lethia Henderson Fund Endowment and the Elizabeth S. Randolph African American Fund Endowment, both managed by FFTC.

The following grant awards support a range of activities benefitting Charlotte's African American community:

1. **Aspire Community Capital (\$5,000):** Its Community Business Academy provides one-on-one coaching, workshops and support for participants to become prudent business owners.
2. **City Startup Labs (\$5,000):** Its Reentry Entrepreneurship Program trains formerly incarcerated people participating in REEP to design, develop and deliver customer-centric digital technology services within economically impacted areas in Charlotte.
3. **Care Ring (\$2,500):** To support Care Ring's Nurse-Family Partnership program. NFP is an intensive home visitation program that improves pregnancy outcomes, promotes child health/development, and connects families to supportive services, while increasing the economic stability of those served.
4. **Johnson C. Smith Birthing Professionals (\$2,500)** aims to offer doula, childbirth educator and lactation consultant trainings to individuals that will improve birth outcomes and ultimately result in the reduction of infant mortality rates and maternal deaths. The certificates will help to reduce the disparity in the number of providers of color.
5. **Money Magnet Club (\$2,500):** To support its Spring/Summer Entrepreneurship Program Series (to teach kids principles and practices of business ownership) and Fall Literacy Learning Lab (for writing stories, books and/or music as an entrepreneurial enterprise).
6. **She Built This City (\$10,000):** Through a collaboration with the YMCA of Greater Charlotte's Level UP outreach program, youth receive hands-on experience in the 3-D printing innovative process, which includes STEM curriculum-based activities to learn a new form of home construction and how it can enhance the communities in which they live.
7. **My Brother's Keeper - Charlotte (\$2,500)** will train 100 community volunteers to mentor 100 BYMOC. As a result of this program, mentors will be identified as a leader in their community and BYMOC will increase their social capital, shift their mindset, and develop goals for school and post-secondary education.
8. **Rebuilding Together of Greater Charlotte (\$10,000):** Building a Healthy Neighborhood provides no-cost repairs and modifications for low-income homeowners, enabling them to live in safe and healthy homes and preserving our community's naturally occurring affordable housing.

The Lethia Henderson Fund Endowment was established at FFTC in 1981 to support non-profit programs and organizations with an emphasis on health and community service. The Elizabeth S. Randolph African American Fund Endowment was established in 1993 at FFTC to foster philanthropy and to support nonprofit programs and organizations that address African American concerns.

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With the 2022 grants, the Henderson and Randolph Funds have made more than \$500,000 in grants to nonprofit organizations. Persons or groups interested in contributing to the Henderson and Randolph Funds or opening a new fund may contact Qiana Austin at Foundation For The Carolinas: 704.973.4535 or [qaustin@fftc.org](mailto:qaustin@fftc.org). All contributions are tax deductible.

For more information on the Foundation For Black Philanthropy, visit [www.fftc.org/FFBP](http://www.fftc.org/FFBP).

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#### About Foundation For The Carolinas

Founded in 1958, Foundation For The Carolinas is the fifth-largest nonprofit community foundation in the country, serving donors and a broad range of charitable purposes in North and South Carolina. With assets of nearly \$4 billion, FFTC's mission is to inspire philanthropy and empower individuals to create a better community. Visit [www.fftc.org](http://www.fftc.org).

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