

# Environmental Conservation

Awareness and Public Benefit Grant Programs



**Info session webinar: February 21, 2019**



# Agenda

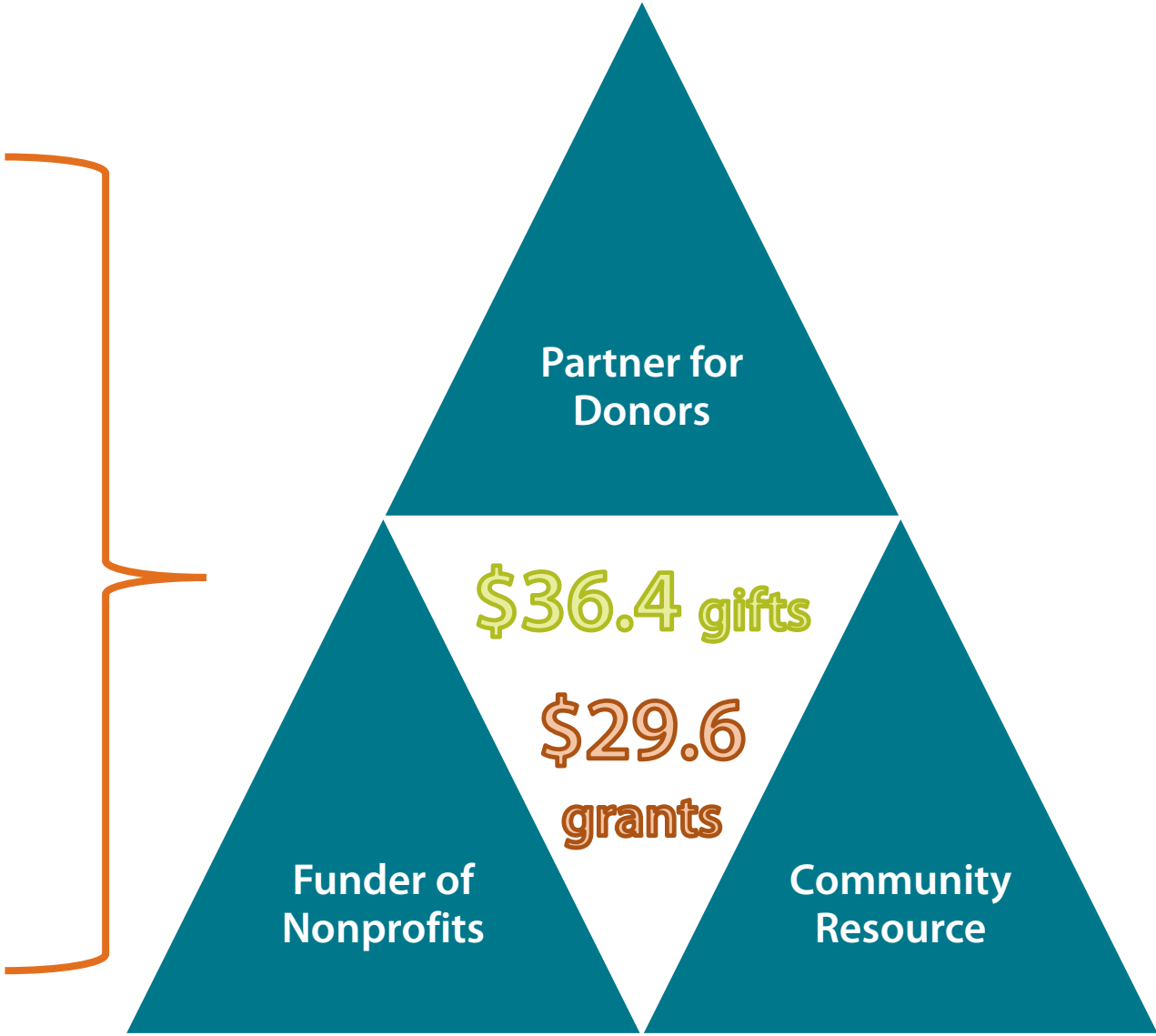
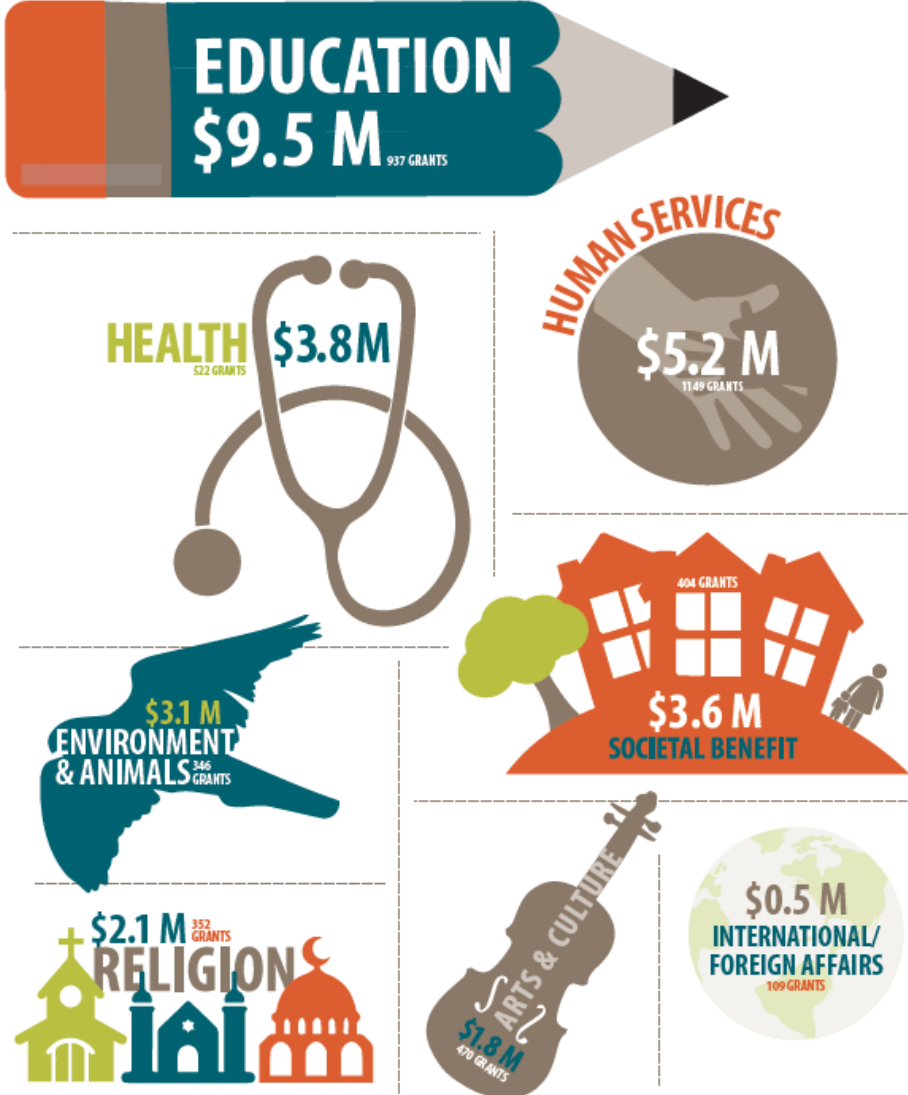
- Welcome and goals
- A little bit about Triangle Community Foundation
- Environmental Conservation focus area overview
- The grant process and application: what to expect
- Questions (and answers!)



# By the end of this webinar...

- Know about Triangle Community Foundation and how the community grants fit into our work
- Understand the Environmental Conservation focus area goals and what we fund through the Awareness and Public Benefit grant programs
- Determine if you are eligible to apply for a grant through the Environmental Conservation programs
- Understand the application and review processes
- Ask general questions about the program and / or process

# The Foundation



# Our Focus: Thriving People, Vibrant Places



**Youth Literacy**



**Cultural Arts**



**Community  
Development**



**Environmental  
Conservation**

# Environmental Conservation



# Awareness Grants

## Goal:

Expand conservation awareness through community organizing, education, and advocacy with grass-roots approaches to local and regional land conservation issues.

## Grant tiers:

- \$10,000 or
- \$25,000

**Typically 5-8 grants per year**



# Public Benefit Grants

## Goal:

Promote public use through recreation, community gardens, local agriculture, and community conservation education that are consistent with land conservation and sustainable use.

## Grant tiers:

- \$10,000 or
- \$25,000

**Typically 5-6 grants per year**





## Example Awareness Projects

- After school program providing at-risk, middle school youth with meaningful connections to nature
- Multimedia journalism initiative to focus on a specific land preservation system in North Carolina
- Community engagement project to build awareness and ownership around a public trail

## Example Public Benefit Projects

- Install an outdoor learning classroom and field work station at a public park
- Integrate education and stories about the past (historical interpretation) at a nature preserve
- Transform green space into a community space for a Latino neighborhood



# Eligibility

- Registered 501(c)(3) nonprofits are eligible. Governmental agencies, universities, religious congregations, and those operating under fiscal sponsorship of a 501(c)(3) are eligible when partnering with a nonprofit.
- Projects impact Chatham, Durham, Orange, and or/ Wake Counties
- Comply with the Foundation's nondiscrimination policy



# Application overview

Apply online through grant portal (“Apply for a Grant” from homepage)

- Organizational information
- Project information
  - Work plan
  - Innovation (Public Benefit)
  - Regional cooperation (Awareness)
  - Budget and financials
  - Site visit availability
- Interim report (2018 grantees only)



# Budget and Matching Funds

Strong proposals will have diverse funding sources with at least a 1:1 match, including:

- Project-related expenses
- In-kind donations
- Volunteer resources



# Review process



Primary scoring criteria:

1. Project's contribution to conservation goals
2. Community benefits, particularly for historically underrepresented communities
3. Innovative approaches
4. Resources and feasibility of implementation



# Important dates

<b>Friday, March 15</b>	<b>Application deadline (11:59pm)</b>
<b>April 29 – May 22</b>	<b>Site visits</b>
<b>June 15</b>	<b>Grantees announced</b>
<b>July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020</b>	<b>Grant period</b>



