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PRESS RELEASE

Triangle Community Foundation announces record success in Giving Together initiative; additional \$225,330 raised for local organizations addressing poverty.

Research Triangle Park, February 9, 2018: Triangle Community Foundation has raised \$150,330 from their fundholders through their Giving Together initiative in addition to a \$75,000 commitment of their own discretionary funding to total \$225,330 granted in additional dollars to past nonprofit partners in their Community Development (housing, health, employment) focus area.

The local organizations who received support for their work are Club Nova Community, Community Health Coalition, Inc., Durham CAN (Congregations, Associations, and Neighborhoods), Durham Center for Senior Life, El Centro Hispano, Fostering Youth Opportunities Collaborative, Johnson Service Corps, LIFE Skills Foundation, Rebuilding Together of the Triangle, SEEDS, Student Action with Farmworkers, Threshold Inc, UNC Refugee Mental Health and Wellness Initiative, White Oak Foundation, Inc., and the Women's Center of Wake County.

"We are thrilled beyond words to be receiving this generous grant from the Giving Together program! The additional funding will help us continue our mission of connecting young adults aging out of foster care with the resources and support they need for a successful transition to adulthood," said Jennifer Weiss, Executive Director, The Hope Center at Pullen and member of the Fostering Youth Opportunities collaborative.

The Foundation's Giving Together program increases impact by pooling Foundation and donor resources to support strong organizations and collaborations making a difference in our community. These organizations have been vetted through the Foundation's competitive grant process, and worked to build their efficiency and capacity. By encouraging collective giving with their generous fundholders for critical issues, the Foundation is better supporting a strong ecosystem of nonprofit organizations in the Triangle.

At the end of 2017, fundholders responded to this call to give collectively to past grantee organizations addressing poverty, providing additional funding beyond what had already been invested in their work, making this the most successful Giving Together initiative to date.

"Poverty cannot be simplified as a direct consequence of a lack of affordable housing, unemployment, or poor health. Instead, we believe that it must be viewed with a broader outlook that considers the unique challenges of marginalized families and individuals," said Gina Andersen, Community Programs Officer, Triangle Community Foundation. "I'm so proud of this program, and impressed by the overwhelming generosity of our donors and community. By providing funding and resources, we are building the capacity of local organizations successfully increasing access to housing, employment, and mental and physical health in order to address persistent poverty in our region."

To learn more about the critical issues the Foundation is making an impact in, or how to become a fundholder, visit their website at www.trianglecf.org.

Triangle Community Foundation inspires and mobilizes giving, leadership, and action in the Triangle region of North Carolina. By working together with donors and nonprofits to address critical community issues, we envision a vibrant Triangle that ensures everyone thrives. Since 1983, the Foundation has been committed to this work, and with the help of our generous family of donors, each year we grant over \$25 million back into the community to make a difference. Learn more and join us at www.trianglecf.org.