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PRESS RELEASE

15 Vital Environmental Conservation Projects in the Region Funded as Collective Giving Challenge Meets Goal

Research Triangle Park, July 19, 2019: Donors joined together with Triangle Community Foundation in the month of June to raise \$285,000 for 15 innovative projects addressing local conservation through the Foundation's Giving Together program.

The nonprofit organizations funded are Black Family Land Trust, Inc., City of Oaks Foundation, El Futuro, Ellerbe Creek Watershed Association, Extra Terrestrial Projects, Friends of the DPS Hub Farm, Haw River Assembly, Learning Outside, North Carolina Botanical Garden, Orange County Partnership for Young Children, Piedmont Conservation Council, Transplanting Traditions Community Farm, Triangle Bikeworks, Triangle Land Conservancy, and YMCA of the Triangle Area.

The creative projects being undertaken by these organizations include transforming an alley space into a lush, serene garden space in the middle of a Durham strip mall, creating a series of podcasts highlighting the innovative ways Black farmers and landowners across the Triangle are using their land assets to generate income, organizing and advocating for greater conservation protections as Chatham Park is built up around rural Pittsboro, and more.

"We are thrilled to have the overwhelming support of our donors for environmental conservation work in our region," said Sarah Guidi, Program Officer. "These deserving nonprofit partners are doing important work to ensure that our natural resources are protected for future generations, and we [The Foundation] are proud to be a part of that."

The Giving Together program maximizes impact by pooling Foundation and donor resources to support strong nonprofits and collaborations making a difference in the community. The Foundation believes that by bringing like-minded donors together to address local critical issues, we can maximize impact and address root causes. Giving Together is a part of the Foundation's Fund for the Triangle, which provides permanent funding for four focus areas (the arts, community development, environmental conservation, and youth literacy) that are addressing pressing needs now and for generations to come.

To learn about Giving Together, Fund for the Triangle, or read more about the projects funded, visit www.trianglecf.org.

Triangle Community Foundation is building a brighter future for everyone in the Triangle. By working with dedicated donors and strong nonprofits, we are able to guide gifts in a strategic way to fill in gaps, reduce inequities, and solve the region's most pressing challenges. Since 1983, we have envisioned a Triangle that works together so everyone can thrive. Learn more at www.trianglecf.org.