



The Community Foundation

of Western North Carolina

Funders and Other Resources for Western North Carolina Nonprofits

This list includes foundations and corporate funding sources that have recently supported nonprofit organizations within Western North Carolina. It also includes resources of interest that provide other types of support such as workshops or training. These organizations have agreed to be listed and the information contained is updated annually. Please note that although we update this list, material is subject to change.

We advise contacting the organizations directly to confirm address, deadlines and other details.

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A.J. Fletcher Foundation

Initial Contact: Barbara Goodmon
P.O. Box 12800
Raleigh, NC 27605

Phone: 919-890-6086

Website: www.ajf.org

Interest areas: Currently undergoing restructure of focus and is not accepting applications at this time.

Geographic Focus: North Carolina

Online newsletter: www.philanthropyjournal.org

Asheville Area Arts Council

Initial Contact: Adrienne Crowther
11 Biltmore Avenue
Asheville, NC 28801

Phone: 828-258-0710 Email: info@ashevillearts.com

Fax: 828-252-2787 Website: www.ashevillearts.com

Interest areas: Support for individual artists, arts organizations, schools and teachers through various funding programs

Geographic Focus: Buncombe and WNC

Grant Process: Call to request an application or download from www.ashevillearts.com.

Deadlines: Application deadlines vary depending on funding program. Contact organization for details.

Bank of America

Website: www.bankofamerica.com/foundation/index

Interest areas: Education (primary focus), health and human services, community development, and arts & culture.

Grant Process: Online process - decisions are ongoing throughout the year.

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BCBSNC Foundation

5901 Old Durham - Chapel Hill
Durham, NC 27707-0718

Phone: 919-765-2128

Website: www.bcbsnc.com/foundation

Interest Areas: The Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina Foundation is committed to communities across the state of North Carolina. Our goal is to fund clearly defined, innovative, health care related programs and services that have a measurable impact. We applaud organizations that partner with others to address critical needs.

The Foundation has four distinct grant categories: Mini-Grants; Grants Up to \$25,000; Emergency Preparedness Grant Program; Fit Together Grant Program

Geographic Area: North Carolina

Grant Process: Go to website for guidelines, application directions and deadlines.

BellSouth

Initial Contact: Grants Manager
1155 Peachtree Street
#7H08
Atlanta, GA 30309-3610

Phone: 404-249-2396

Email: grants.manager@bellsouth.com

Fax: 404-249-5696

Website: www.bellsouthcorp.com/bsf

Interest areas: K-12th grade education. The Foundation will also award "opportunity grants" on a competitive basis. Please contact the foundation for further information.

Geographic Focus: AL, FL, GA, KY, LA, MS, NC, SC & TN

Deadlines: February 1 and September 1

Buncombe County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Funds

Initial Contact: Mary Anne Tierney
50 S. French Broad Ave.
Suite 246
Asheville, NC 28801

Phone: 828-259-9717

Email: ccc@childrenfirstbc.org

Fax: 828-281-3308

Website: www.childrenfirstbc.org

Interest areas: Government funding used to assist local governments and private service agencies in the development of community based projects for juvenile delinquency intervention and prevention.

Geographic Focus: Buncombe County

Grant Process: Request For Applications (RFA) printed for 30 days prior to due date (contact Mary Anne Tierney by phone or email to be added to the RFA email distribution list), mandatory meeting for potential applicants announced in local paper in December (Asheville Citizen Times), application and presentation to Community Allocations Task Force required.

Deadlines: Varies, usually January or February. Contact organization for details.

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Buncombe County Medical Society & Alliance Endowment

Initial Contact: Linda Kinney
BCMS&A
304 Summit Street
Asheville, NC 28803

Phone: 828-274-2267

E-Mail: info@bcmsonline.org

Interest Areas: Programs funded through the BCMS&A Endowment serve a health-related need of Buncombe County residents, exclusively. Applicants are required to show how they will use funds to improve the health of Buncombe County residents. A project budget must be included with the application listing expenses not to exceed \$5000. Please be specific about how grant dollars will be used. Modest requests that have a big impact are encouraged. Past recipients of BCMS&A Endowment are eligible to apply. Reviewers will analyze the impact of the previously funded projects to help determine whether repeat funding will be approved.

Geographic Focus: Buncombe County

Grant Process: Grant seekers must submit a completed application and cover page with required attachments to the Buncombe County Medical Society office by April 14th. Applications can be submitted via USPS or email and must be received in the Medical Society office by 5 pm on the deadline. Deadlines are strictly enforced.

Applications will be screened for completeness, clarity and compliance with eligibility. Proposals are evaluated by a volunteer BCMS&A Endowment Advisory Committee and approved by the BCMS Foundation and BCMS Alliance Boards. Grants will be approved or denied by May 15, and applicants will be notified in writing by May 30.

Grant recipients will be expected to submit a brief written progress report to the BCMS&A Endowment Advisory Committee by December 31.

Deadlines: April 14

Buncombe County Planning Department

Initial Contact: Denise Braine
46 Valley Street
Asheville, NC 28801

Phone: 828-250-4830

Email: denise.braine@buncombecounty.org

Fax: 828-250-6086

Interest areas: Home and Community Care Block Grants (HCCBG). Support for programs that enable older adults to remain active and independent in their own homes.

Geographic Focus: Buncombe County

Grant Process: Call for application by December 10

Deadlines: January 15

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Cannon Foundation, Inc.

Initial Contact: Frank Davis
51 Union Street, South
Concord, NC 28025

Phone: 704-786-8216 Email: fdavis@thecannonfoundationinc.org

Fax: 704-785-2052 Website: www.thecannonfoundationinc.org

Interest areas: Arts and humanities, education, environment, health and hospitals, religion, and social services. Will fund capital and building projects.

Geographic Focus: Cabarrus County is the primary geographic area of interest, although grants are made throughout North Carolina, especially in rural areas.

Grant Process: Call for application

Deadlines: January 5, April 5, July 5, and October 5

Center for Participatory Change

Initial Contact: Molly Hemstreet
P.O. Box 9238
Asheville, NC 28815

Phone: 828-230-8937 E-mail: molly@cpwnc.org

Fax: 828-299-9150 Website: www.cpcwnc.org

Interest areas: The Western North Carolina Self Development Fund (SDF) provides funding for small community-led groups working for racial and economic justice. These seed grants provide up to \$1000 in start-up funds for community groups that have had little or no experience with grant writing.

Geographic Focus: Western North Carolina

Grant Process: Call or e-mail Molly Hemstreet for more information

CFWNC

Initial Contact: Virginia Dollar (Program Administrator)
P.O. Box 1888
Asheville, NC 28802

Phone: 254-4960 Email: dollar@cfwnc.org

Fax: 251-2258 Website: www.cfwnc.org

CFWNC GRANT PROGRAMS

- **Asheville Merchants** *Deadline: Every other year (Next deadline April 1, 2007)*
Grants provide \$15,000 to \$25,000 in support each year for two years. This fund seeks to improve the quality of life in Buncombe County by supporting innovative projects that strengthen the community *and* spur economic growth; particularly in certain areas of youth success in school, quality jobs & workforce, innovative economic approaches, and social infrastructure.
Contact Tara Scholtz (scholtz@cfwnc.org).

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- **Biltmore Lakes Charitable Fund** *Deadlines: March 1 and September 1*
Grants given to organizations for projects that benefit the Enka-Candler community. Contact Virginia Dollar (dollar@cfwnc.org).
- **Learning Links** *Deadline: Second Friday in October*
Grants of up to \$700 for the public schools in Avery, Graham, Jackson, Madison, Mitchell and Swain counties to fund hands-on learning activities in the classroom. Contact Maria Juarez (juarez@cfwnc.org).
- **Melvin R. Lane** *Deadline: Every three years (Next deadline Spring 2006)*
Substantial multi-year grants to support collaborative approaches and organizational development for human services nonprofits. Contact Bob Wagner (wagner@cfwnc.org).
- **Opportunity** *Deadlines: February 1 and August 15*
Grants of up to \$7,000 to help organizations implement projects that will improve their services in helping people in need, building stronger communities, education, health care, arts, and the environment. Contact Tara Scholtz (scholtz@cfwnc.org).
- **Organizational Development** *No deadline; rolling application cycle*
Grants of up to \$5,000 to nonprofits (that have been operating for at least two years) in the 18-county region to hire a consultant or receive training to build their capacity to better serve the community. Contact Tim Richards (trichards@cfwnc.org).
- **Pigeon River** *Deadlines: September 15 and March 15*
Grants of up to \$25,000 to nonprofits in Haywood, Madison and Buncombe counties that are working to improve water quality. Contact Tim Richards (trichards@cfwnc.org).
- **Strategy** *Deadline: October 1 for Letter of Intent*
Grants from \$10,000 to \$25,000 for outstanding projects that promise significant impact in helping people in need, building stronger communities, education, health care, arts, and the environment. Contact Tim Richards (trichards@cfwnc.org).
- **Summertime Kids** *Deadline: March 15*
Grants of up to \$2,000 to nonprofits in the 18-county region that provide disadvantaged children with enriching summer activities. Contact Spencer Butler (butler@cfwnc.org).
- **Women For Women** *Deadline: February 3, 2006*
Grants of \$35,000 to \$100,000 for projects that help economically disadvantaged women rebuild their lives and be more self-sufficient. Contact Lisa Forehand (forehand@cfwnc.org).

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Cherokee Preservation Foundation

Initial Contact: Susan Jenkins
P.O. Box 504
71 John Crowe Hill Road
Cherokee, NC 28719

Phone: 828-497-5550 Email: sjenkins@cpfdn.org

Fax: 828-497-8929 Website: www.cpfdn.org

Interest areas: Environmental Preservation, Economic Development, Employment Opportunities, and Cultural Preservation

Geographic Focus: Near tribal lands in Haywood, Jackson, Swain, Macon, Clay, Graham & Cherokee counties, or any other county where tribal lands may be acquired.

Grant Process: Check website, or call the aforementioned contacts to discuss eligibility.

Deadlines: Two funding cycles: Spring and Fall. Check website for specific dates.

City of Asheville

Initial Contact: Charlotte Caplan
P.O. Box 7148
Asheville, NC 28802

Phone: 828-259-5723 Email: ccaplan@ashevillenc.gov

Fax: 828-259-5428 Website: www.ashevillenc.gov/planning/housing.htm

Interest areas: City allocates federal funds for affordable housing and community development.

Geographic Focus: 1) City of Asheville 2) Buncombe, Henderson, Madison and Transylvania counties

Grant Process: Call to discuss program eligibility and request application form.

Deadlines: January 31st for CDBC and HOME: Housing Trust Fund now open, year round while funds last.

Community Foundation of Burke County

Initial Contact: Caroline Avery
P.O. Box 1156
Morganton, NC 28680

Phone: 828-437-7105 Email: cmavery@bellsouth.net

Fax: 828-433-7150

Interest areas: Contact foundation for program details.

Geographic Focus: Burke County

Deadlines: May 30

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Community Foundation of Henderson County

Initial Contact: Kathryn McConnell
P.O. Box 1108
Hendersonville, NC 28793

Phone: 828-697-6224 Email: kmccconnell@cfhendersoncounty.org

Fax: 828-696-4026 Website: www.cfhendersoncounty.org

Interest areas: Arts & Culture, Civic & Community, Conservation, Education, Human Services, and Health

Geographic Focus: Henderson County area

Grant Process: It is recommended that prospective applicants contact the program office well in advance of the deadline dates to discuss their request prior to submitting the application.

Deadlines: March 1, June 1, September 1, and December 1

Other non-grant opportunities: Grant Resource Center which includes directories for grantseekers and other fundraising resource materials; supports the Alliance for Human Services which administers quality standards for accreditation of human service agencies; offers periodic workshops to nonprofits on a variety of topics.

Duke Certificate in Nonprofit Management

Initial Contact: Virginia Dollar (Site Coordinator)
P.O. Box 1888
Asheville, NC 28802

Phone: 828-254-4960 Email: dollar@cfwnc.org

Fax: 828-251-2258 Website: www.learnmore.duke.edu

Geographic Focus: Statewide program with WNC offerings

Other non-grant opportunities: Affordable, practical, and accessible courses on all aspects of nonprofit management

Duke Endowment

100 N. Tryon Street
Suite 3500
Charlotte, NC 28202-4012

Phone: 704-376-0921

Fax: 704-376-9336 Website: www.dukeendowment.org

Interest areas: Health care and child care organizations. Also provide grants to rural Methodist churches in communities with a population less than 1,500 to help meet the changing needs of modern communities. Health and childcare agencies must apply in collaboration with a qualifying organization. Call Endowment for additional information.

Grant Process: Applications accepted year-round. Call Endowment for further details.

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E. Rhodes and Leona B. Carpenter Foundation

Initial Contact: Joseph O'Connor
P.O. Box 58880
Philadelphia, PA 19102-8880

Phone: 215-963-5212

Fax: 215-963-5299

Local contact: Karry Poovey, Personnel Manager, 2009 Keisler Dairy Rd. Conover, NC 28613

Interest areas: The Carpenter Foundation will consider requests from public charities in support of graduate theological education. Grants are made for specific projects or programs and are not made to individuals.

Grant Process: Informal letter applications are sufficient but should enclose a copy of the organization's ruling that it is a 509 (a) (1) or (2) organization and should contain: 1) a brief history of the purpose of the organization; 2) the dollar amount requested; 3) the specific project or program for which the amount is being requested. (The foundation does not have a website; details regarding application requirements and deadlines should be made by mail at the address above.)

Eckerd Family Foundation, Inc.

Initial Contact: Jane Soltis
P.O. Box 5165
Clearwater, FL 33758

Phone: 727-446-2996

Email: grants@eckerdfamilyfoundation.org

Fax: 727-442-8575

Website: www.eckerdfamilyfoundation.org

Interest areas: Positive youth development programs including youth transitioning from juvenile justice programs; innovative programs for youth at risk; youth transitioning into and out of foster care/crisis shelters; and after-school initiatives.

Geographic Focus: Eastern United States

Grant Process: Contact foundation for details or see website.

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Environmental Support Center

Initial Contact: Judy Hatcher, Director of Programs
1500 Massachusetts Ave., NW
Suite 25
Washington, DC 20005

Phone: 202-331-9700 Email: general@envsc.org

Fax: 202-331-8592 Website: www.envsc.org

Interest areas: The Environmental Support Center works to strengthen the effectiveness and long-term sustainability of organizations working on environmental issues, to promote the quality of the natural environment, human health and community sustainability. ESC's Training and Organizational Assistance program provides small grants to partially pay for professional consultants and trainers that will help build the capacity of individual organizations, groups of organizations or coalitions by improving the management, planning, funding and communications capabilities. ESC supports technical assistance in such areas as fundraising, strategic planning, leadership development and technology. Occasionally ESC receives support for specific programs and/or groups, and these will be announced on the website; therefore, check each time you consider applying.

Restrictions: ESC does not help individuals, government entities (including tribal governments), for-profit businesses, short-term organizations or international/national organizations or their local chapters. ESC only supports environmental justice and activist groups, and coalitions of the same.

Geographic Focus: From time to time, ESC is limited in the geographic regions it can support. It is essential to check the website and/or contact staff before applying for assistance.

Grant Process: Call, e-mail, fax or visit website for guidelines and application forms. Local, state and regional grassroots organizations working on environmental issues are eligible to apply.

Deadlines: Rolling deadlines.

Other Non-grant Opportunities: In 2006, ESC will announce a new fundraising support program.

Gannett Foundation

Initial Contact: Barbara Hood
Asheville Citizen Times
14 O.Henry Avenue
Asheville, NC 28801

Phone: 828-232-5934 Email: bhood@citizen-times.com

Fax: 828-252-5887 Website: www.gannettfoundation.org

Interest areas: Education/neighborhood improvement, youth, community problem-solving, assistance to disadvantaged people, and cultural enrichment

Geographic Focus: Western North Carolina

Grant Process: Proposals accepted three times per year.

Deadlines: January 15, May 15, August 15

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Golden LEAF Foundation

Initial Contact: Pat Cabe
800 Tiffany Boulevard
Suite 200
Rocky Mount, NC 27804

Phone: 252-442-7474 Email: pcabe@goldenleaf.org

Fax: 252-442-7404 Website: www.goldenleaf.org

Interest areas: Economic development, such as education assistance, job training, employment assistance, alternative crop research, economic hardship assistance, public works, industrial recruiting, health and human services, and community assistance.

Geographic Focus: State of North Carolina

Grant Process: Application guidelines and forms available at website. Watch website for workshops. Foundation has open door policy.

Deadlines: Annual Grant Cycle w/ August 1 deadline.

Huffman-Cornwell Foundation

Initial Contact: Mary Louise McCombs
P.O. Box 1113
Morganton, NC 28653

Phone: 828-437-5872

Interest areas: Higher education, the arts, historic preservation, cultural and physical development.

Geographic Focus: Burke County

Deadlines: September 1

Janirve Foundation

Initial Contact: Brenda Baldwin
One North Pack Square
Suite 416
Asheville, NC 28801

Phone: 828-258-1877 Email: janirve@charterinternet.com

Fax: 828-258-1837

Interest areas: Priorities are youth at risk and child care; also fund social services, arts, education, health, and environment. Will fund capital and building projects.

Geographic Focus: 17 WNC counties

Grant Process: Phone call or letter requesting application package.

Deadlines: March 1, June 1, September 1, and December 1

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Jubilee Community Church Inc.

Initial Contact: Don Fortuna
46 Wall Street
Asheville, NC 28801

Phone: 828-252-5335

Email: donf@jubileecommunity.org

Fax: 828-252-1509

Website: www.jubileecommunity.org

Interest areas: Programs assisting homeless, hungry, young, elderly, and poor. Recipients must be a nonprofit organization.

Geographic Focus: Primarily in Buncombe, Henderson & Madison counties.

Grant Process: Applications may be requested by calling or writing Jubilee! Grants are awarded approximately 2 months following deadlines. Recipients will have the opportunity of attending a Jubilee! Celebration on a Sunday morning to personally accept the check & make a 1-2 minute presentation about their organization and how the funds will be used.

Deadlines: February 1, May 1, August 1, and November 1

Junior League of Asheville

JLA Headquarters

P.O. Box 7315

Asheville, NC 28802

Phone: 828-254-5608

Email: jlofa@charter.net

Fax: 828-254-5355

Interest areas: Using the assistance of trained volunteers to impact women, children or education.

Geographic Focus: Asheville

Grant Process: Contact headquarters for additional information.

Deadlines: June 1 for community projects; January 1 and August 1 for community assistance

Kate B. Reynolds Charitable Trust

Initial Contact: Karen McNeil-Miller
128 Reynolda Village
Winston-Salem, NC 27106-5123

Phone: 336-723-1456

Fax: 336-723-7765

Website: www.kbr.org

Interest areas: Health care programs with regional or statewide impact; local program funding when there is potential for replication, or if it clearly addresses health needs of the financially poor.

Geographic Focus: North Carolina

Grant Process: Advance consultation required. Obtain application from our website or by calling the office.

Deadlines: March 15 and Sept. 15

Other non-grant opportunities: A satellite office is held each June in Asheville for agencies to meet with Trust staff.

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Kresge Foundation

Initial Contact: John Marshall
2701 Troy Center Drive
Suite 150
Troy, MI 48084-4755

Phone: 810-643-9630

Fax: 810-643-0588

Website: www.kresge.org

Interest areas: Challenge grants only for building construction or renovation projects; major capital equipment.

Deadlines: No deadlines, contact foundation for details.

Land-of-Sky Regional Council

Initial Contact: Joe McKinney
25 Heritage Drive
Asheville, NC 28806

Phone: 828-251-6622

Email: jmckinney@landofsky.org

Fax: 828-251-6353

Website: www.landofsky.org

Geographic Focus: Buncombe, Henderson, Madison and Transylvania counties

Other non-grant opportunities: Grants Fair - Periodic opportunities to meet funding representatives and hear about grant opportunities related to human services; Area Agency on Aging Programs - bi-annual assessments of organizations serving older adults receiving Home and Community Care Block Grant (HCCBG) funding, work with 4 county advisory committees that make recommendations to County Commissioners relative to HCCBG services funded; technical assistance to improve service delivery.

Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation

Initial Contact: Local Store Manager
c/o Lowe's Companies, Inc.
P.O. Box 1111
North Wilkesboro, NC 28656

Phone: 336-658-4192

Fax: 336-658-2409

Website: www.lowes.com/community

Interest areas: K-12 public schools and community improvement projects (parks, gardens, etc.)

Geographic Focus: Consider projects in communities where our stores operate.

Grant Process: see online

Comments: Do not recommend mailing requests

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Lyndhurst Foundation

Initial Contact: Bruz Clark
517 E. Fifth Street
Chattanooga, TN 37403

Phone: 423-756-0767 Email: bclark@lyndhurstfoundation.org

Fax: 423-756-0770 Website: www.lyndhurstfoundation.org

Interest areas: Direct protection of forested and aquatic habitat and biodiversity on public/private lands.

Geographic Focus: Five-state area of GA, TN, AL, NC and SC with emphasis on the Southern Appalachians and Tennessee River Watershed.

Grant Process: The Lyndhurst Foundation operates in five-year grant cycles.

From January of 2005 through December of 2009, grants will be distributed primarily at the initiative of the foundation through the cultivation of strategic partnerships with nonprofit organizations that can assist Lyndhurst in the pursuit of six primary goals. (For a list of the six goal areas, please see the foundation's website.) Potential partners will be invited to collaborate with foundation staff to develop programs of work, the funds required, the results that should be achieved, and an appropriate means of evaluating progress. The trustees will review these proposals at quarterly board meetings.

Deadlines: Deadlines relative to board meetings. Contact foundation for more information.

Comments: For additional information, please visit the foundation's website at www.lyndhurstfoundation.org.

Mary Duke Biddle Foundation

Initial Contact: Douglas Zinn
1044 W. Forest Hills Blvd.
Durham, NC 27707

Phone: 919-493-5591

Interest areas: Private education and the arts; providing pilot funding for experimentation; interim sustaining grants; and seed grants to stimulate larger grants from other sources

Geographic Focus: North Carolina and New York

Deadlines: Contact foundation for deadlines.

Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation

Initial Contact: Gayle Williams or Sandra Mikush
2920 Reynolda Road
Winston-Salem, NC 27106

Phone: 336-748-9222 Email: info@mrbf.org

Fax: 336-777-0095 Website: www.mrbf.org

Interest areas: Community building/organizational development with an emphasis on: children, youth and families; bridging fault lines of race and class; investment in human and natural resources over the long term; enterprise and asset development; and grassroots leadership development

Geographic Focus: Southeastern United States

Deadlines: Contact foundation for deadlines.

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Mills Family Foundation

Initial Contact: Pamela Turner
P.O. Box 8100
Asheville, NC 28814

Phone: 828-252-4024

Interest areas: Primarily health care and social services

Geographic Focus: Buncombe and Madison Counties

Deadlines: Contact foundation for deadlines.

Mission Healthcare Foundation, Inc.

Initial Contact: Bruce Thorsen
980 Hendersonville Rd
Suite C
Asheville, NC 28803

Phone: 828-213-1020

Email: bruce.thorsen@msj.org

Fax: 828-213-1030

Website: www.missionhospitals.org

Alternate contact: Stephanie Kiser, RPh

Interest Areas: Through its Community Health Enhancement (CHE) Department, Mission seeks to partner with community based programs and organizations that share its focus to reduce the burden of chronic disease and those risk factors associated with chronic disease. No grants for capital projects or campaigns.

Geographic Focus: Favors Buncombe, Mitchell, McDowell, Madison and Yancey counties

Grant process: Applications are screened and graded. Those passing screen are assigned to a committee. Site visits are made and full committee votes on each grant.

Deadlines: November 1; April 1

Other non-grant opportunities: limited funds available for sponsorships of events

N.C. State Trails Program

Initial Contact: Dwayne Stutzman
DENR Regional Office
2090 US 70 Hwy
Swannanoa, NC 28778-6211

Phone: 828-296-4692

Email: dwayne.stutzman@ncmail.net

Fax: 828-299-7043

Website: www.ncsparks.net

Interest areas: The State Trails Program helps citizens, organizations and agencies plan, fund & develop trails of all kinds---from greenways, hiking, biking and horse trails to river trails and off-highway vehicle trails.

Geographic Focus: Western 31 Counties

Grant Process: Contact fund for additional information.

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NC Humanities Council

Initial Contact: Douglas Quin
200 South Elm Street
Suite 403
Greensboro, NC 27401

Phone: 336-334-5325 Email: nchc@gborocollege.edu

Fax: 336-334-5052 Website: www.nchumanities.org

Interest areas: Promoting public programs focused on exploring the nature of community and citizenship.

Geographic Focus: North Carolina and New York

Grant Process: Have different requirements depending upon type of grant. Contact organization for details.

North Carolina Appalachian Regional Commission

Initial Contact: Sara Stuckey
Department of Commerce
4313 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699

Phone: 919-733-2853 Email: sstuckey@nccommerce.com

Fax: 919-733-5262

Interest areas: Grants are generally tied to job creation and infrastructure. Infrastructure grants must supplement another federal agency's grant for the same project. (Current funding cycle and priorities may be modified later in the federal fiscal year.) Appalachian grants are "last dollars" in project financing that fill the gap after all other funds have been acquired.

Geographic Focus: 29 Counties in WNC

Grant Process: Contact organization to determine eligibility.

Other non-grant opportunities: Annual conference and training conferences--subject areas vary by year. Also an Online Resource Center at www.arc.gov.

North Carolina GlaxoSmithKline Foundation

5 Moore Drive
Research Triangle Pk., NC 27709

Phone: 919-483-2140

Fax: 919-315-3015 Web Site: www.gsk.com/community/NCFound.htm

Contact: Marilyn Foote-Hudson

Interst Areas: Advancement of education, science and health

Geographic Focus: North Carolina

Application Deadlines: Two months prior to Board Meetings: Jan 1; April 1; July 1, and Oct. 1.

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North Carolina Center for Nonprofits

Contact: Jane Kendall
1110 Navaho Drive
Suite 200
Raleigh, NC 27609-7322

Phone: 919-790-1555 Email: helpline@ncnonprofits.org

Fax: 919-790-5307 Website: www.ncnonprofits.org

Initial Contact: Adrienne Knowles, Technical Assistance Director

Geographic Focus: Statewide

Other non-grant opportunities: All services are geared to helping nonprofits save time and money and achieve their vital missions in the community. The affordable dues are on a sliding scale based on the organization's budget size (see details on the website).

The website has many technical assistance resources, including a "Frequently Asked Questions" section, links to other national, state and local resource partners, and a Members-Only section.

The Board and Staff Helpline is a confidential service for staff and board members on a wide range of organizational issues.

Pro bono programs offer up to 1 hour of free counsel from a lawyer or CPA specializing in nonprofits.

The Standard for Excellence: A Self-Help Tool for Nonprofits' Organizational Effectiveness initiative includes: (1) a concise booklet - available in English or Spanish - with eight guiding principles and specific benchmarks for effective, accountable leadership and management of a nonprofit organization; and (2) an array of technical assistance resources to help nonprofits achieve the benchmarks over time.

An online bookstore offers selected publications and tapes.

Common Ground is a concise bimonthly publication for board and staff.

The Center organizes the Annual Statewide Conference for N.C.'s Nonprofit Sector each fall and an annual Not-for-Profit Accounting Conference each spring (for financial staff, executive directors, and board members).

Percy B. Ferebee Endowment Fund

Initial Contact: Michael Boyles
Wachovia Bank/Charitable Funds
NC6732, 100 North Main Street
Winston-Salem, NC 27150

Phone: 336-732-7090 Email: michael.boyles@wachovia.com

Fax: 336-732-6537

Interest areas: Fund has broad areas of interest, please contact at the number above to discuss your project.

Geographic Focus: Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Jackson, Macon and Swain counties, plus the Cherokee Indian Reservation

Grant Process: Contact fund for additional information.

Deadlines: September 30

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Perry Rudnick Fund of the Community Foundation of Henderson Co.

Initial Contact: Kathryn McConnell
P.O. Box 1108
Hendersonville, NC 28793

Phone: 828-697-6224 Email: kmccconnell@cfhendersoncounty.org

Fax: 828-696-4026 Website: www.cfhendersoncounty.org

Interest areas: Arts and Culture, Conservation, Education, Health, Human Services, Youth

Geographic Focus: Successful grant applications will be from organizations primarily located in Buncombe, Henderson, Polk and Transylvania Counties.

Grant Process: The Perry N. Rudnick Fund Advisors have developed a procedure for submission and evaluation of grant proposals. The Advisors of the Fund carefully review and consider first a "Letter of Intent" as submitted by prospective grantees. From these Letters of Intent the Advisors will select a pool of organizations to be "Invited" to submit a Full Proposal.

Some requests meeting the funding guidelines may be declined as many more Letters of Intent are received than funds are available for grants. The Advisors reserve the right to hold a request until the next funding cycle.

Deadlines:

Cycle One: Letter of Intent - July 1; Full Proposal by Invitation Only - September 30; Grant Awards - Mid December

Cycle Two: Letter of Intent - January 1; Full Proposal by Invitation Only - March 30; Grant Awards - Mid June

Polk County Community Foundation

Initial Contact: Cathie Campbell, Program Director
255 S. Trade Street
Tryon, NC 28782

Phone: 828-859-5314 Email: foundation@polkccf.org

Fax: 828-859-6122 Website: www.polkccf.org

Interest areas: Arts, advancing philanthropy, community affairs, conservation, diversity, education, health, human needs, scholarships and others.

Geographic Focus: Polk County

Grant Process: Contact the Community Foundation for grant applications

Deadlines: Have different deadlines depending upon grant program. Contact foundation for details.

Other non-grant opportunities: Have nonprofit focused library on premises for use by area organizations to help them find funding beyond, or in addition to, the Polk County Community Foundation.

FUNDERS AND OTHER RESOURCES FOR WNC NONPROFITS

Progress Energy Service Company, LLC

Initial Contact: Kellan Chapin
P. O. Box 1551
Raleigh, NC 27602

Phone: 919-546-2207

Email: kellan.chapin@pgnmail.com

Fax: 919-546-4338

Website: www.progress-energy.com/community

Interest areas: 1) Education including K-12 teacher quality, K-12 math and science, K-12 school leadership development, and scholarships for institutions of higher education from which the company recruits 2) The environment with projects that protect or improve water quality through the restoration, enhancement and preservation of riparian lands 3) Economic Development for major community initiatives that support the company's economic development plans 4) Employee Involvement where funding for nonprofits are selected from the Employee Giving Campaign or programs in which there is substantial employee involvement

Geographic Focus: Progress Energy service area

Grant Process: Nonprofits that provide programs impacting one of Progress Energy's funding issues should go to our Web site and complete an online corporate or foundation application.

Deadlines: February 1, May 1, August 1 and November 1

Sisters of Mercy of North Carolina Foundation, Inc.

Initial Contact: Trish Mahoney
445 Biltmore Avenue
Suite 508
Asheville, NC 28801

Phone: 828-281-8184

Email: trish@sistersofmercyfoundation.org

Fax: 828-281-8185

Website: www.somncfdn.org

Interest areas: Health care; educational and social service organizations that focus on women, children and the elderly. Will fund program, organizational operating, start-up, and building renovation/equipment expenses.

Geographic Focus: 24 counties in western North Carolina

Grant Process: Call to request brochure. Phone program staff to discuss eligibility and request application forms.

Deadlines: April 1, August 1, and December 1

FUNDERS AND OTHER RESOURCES FOR WNC NONPROFITS

Smart Start of Buncombe County

Initial Contact: Ron Bradford
84 Coxe Avenue
Suite 1A
Asheville, NC 28801

Phone: 828-285-9333

Email: ron@smartstart-buncombe.net

Fax: 828-285-9933

Website: www.smartstart-buncombe.org

Interest areas: Programs that serve children ages 0 to 5 focusing on the following goals: 1) Early Care and Education - every child has access to a high quality early childhood program; 2) Health Care - Every child is safe and healthy; 3) Family Support - Principles of family support are modeled in all Smart Start activities, and 4) Community Building - Increase the capacity of the community to support and care for children and families.

Geographic Focus: Buncombe County

Grant Process: Call to sign up for an information session or ask questions.

Deadlines: Deadlines vary depending on grant request. Contact organization for details.

Other non-grant opportunities: Community Needs Assessment for early childhood/pre-K; Orientation for funding applicants; Performance based incentive system; Services to childcare center, home care sites

St. James Charities Foundation

Initial Contact: George Fetherolf
766 N. Main Street
Hendersonville, NC 28792

Phone: 828-693-7458

Email: fether@bellsouth.net

Fax: 828-693-5161

Website: www.stjamesepiscopal.com

Interest areas: Direct human services - sick, needy, physically or emotionally impaired, children with developmental needs

Geographic Focus: Western North Carolina, USA, the world

Grant Process: Phone, write, email or download application

Deadlines: June 15 and December 15

Steele-Reese Foundation

Initial Contact: Jane Stephenson
3121 Grantham Way
Lexington, KY 40509

Phone: 859-263-4696

Email: jane1938@alltel.net

Fax: 859-263-5950

Website: www.steele-reese.org

Interest areas: Education, natural resource conservation & protection, health care, human services, rural development, children & youth, family services, local arts groups; and historical projects. (For funding requests under \$5,000, please contact The Community Foundation of Western North Carolina. For requests greater than \$5,000, please contact Steele-Reese directly.)

Geographic Focus: Rural; Southern Appalachian regions of Kentucky, North Carolina and Tennessee

Grant Process: Phone for copy of guidelines or visit website.

Deadlines: For receiving proposals: March 1

FUNDERS AND OTHER RESOURCES FOR WNC NONPROFITS

Stonecutter Foundation, Inc.

Initial Contact: Terri Barringer
400 Spindale Street
Spindale, NC 28160

Phone: 828-286-2341

Interest areas: Arts & humanities, civil liberties, education, health & hospitals, religion, social services, and sports & athletics

Geographic Focus: Primarily Rutherford County

Deadlines: Contact foundation for deadlines.

United Way of Asheville and Buncombe County

Initial Contact: Lance Edwards
50 S. French Broad Avenue
Asheville, NC 28801

Phone: 828-255-0696

Email: ledwards@unitedwayabc.org

Fax: 828-255-8004

Website: www.unitedwayabc.org

Interest areas: Children, families, mental health, crisis, health, older adults, self-sufficiency

Geographic Focus: Buncombe County

Grant Process: Attend required applicant workshop, call United Way staff, submit proposal.

Deadlines: January 6

Other non-grant opportunities: volunteering as a program reviewer

United Way of Henderson County

Initial Contact: Itha Trantham
722 5th Avenue West
Hendersonville, NC 28739

Phone: 828-692-1636

Email: itrantham@uwhc.online.org

Fax: 828-696-8537

Website: www.uwhconline.org

Interest areas: Grants program for funding health and human service programs in six community investment impact areas. Grants are zero-based and for three years. Sponsoring agencies must be accredited by the Alliance for Human Services, and eligible programs must have demonstrated positive outcomes for at least one year, be non-duplicative, and serve the program goals of one of the impact areas.

Geographic Focus: Henderson County

Grant Process: Call United Way staff and submit program proposal. There is a mandatory orientation in January at the Henderson County Public Library.

Deadlines: February 24

Other non-grant opportunities: Annual Citizen Review Process - volunteers evaluate funding requests; Community Investment Impact Area Panels work with agencies year-round to identify impact area issue for leveraged funding.

FUNDERS AND OTHER RESOURCES FOR WNC NONPROFITS

Wachovia Foundation, Inc.

Initial Contact: Joseph Crocker
P.O. Box 3099
100 N. Main Street
Winston-Salem, NC 27150

Phone: 336-732-6138 Email: joe.crocker@wachovia.com

Fax: 336-732-2509 Website: www.wachovia.com

Interest areas: Primary focus areas - Education and Community Development; Secondary focus areas - Health & Human services and Arts & Culture.

Geographic Focus: Within 12-state market presence

Grant Process: Initial contact should be made with local market management where organization is located. A new online application system will be available at <http://www.wachovia.com/wachoviafoundation>.

Deadlines: None. Continuous funding on calendar year basis.

Comments: Initial contact's primary geographic area is North Carolina and South Carolina.

Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation

147 South Cherry Street
Suite 200
Winston-Salem, NC 27101-5287

Phone: 800-443-8319 Email: info@zsr.org

Fax: 336-725-6069 Website: www.zsr.org

Initial Contact: Barbara Roole, Joy Vermillion, Mary Donnan, or Monteic Sizer

Interest areas: Community Economic Development; Democracy and Civic Engagement; Environment; Pre-Collegiate Education; Social Justice and Equity

Geographic Focus: North Carolina

Grant Process: Visit website for information and for online submission process, or call program officer to discuss eligibility.

Deadlines: February 1 and August 1 -- Next grant cycle February 1, 2006

Other non-grant opportunities: Nancy Susan Reynolds Awards; Sabbatical Program; and Fellowship Program-visit website or call for more information.