



MECKLENBURG COUNTY ABC BOARD ANNOUNCES GRANT AWARD RECIPIENTS

*Community Health and Wellness Grant Program invests nearly \$800k
into 17 local non-profit organizations*

CHARLOTTE - The Mecklenburg County Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Board announced it will provide grants to 17 local non-profit organizations in the Charlotte area in support of the education, prevention, treatment and research of alcohol and substance abuse. Through the Small, Annual and Renewal Grant Programs, the Mecklenburg County ABC Board is investing a total of \$788,802 to assist the citizens of Mecklenburg County and improve their quality of life.

“The Mecklenburg County ABC Board is so incredibly proud to support these organizations and their transformational missions to educate, prevent, treat and research alcohol and substance abuse within our community,” Keva Walton, CEO of the Mecklenburg County ABC Board, said. “I also want to personally thank the community-based program evaluators who brought a wealth of knowledge, expertise and diversity to this year’s vetting process.”

Since 1947, the Mecklenburg ABC Board has invested over \$100 million into local non-profits whose missions support alcohol and substance abuse treatment and prevention. Through its Community Health & Wellness Grant Program, the Mecklenburg ABC Board provides grant funding to eligible non-profit organizations and state entities, supporting programs that focus on alcohol and substance abuse education, treatment, and prevention. Current community partners provide a wide array of programs and services to improve the health and well-being of county residents.

See below for a breakdown of this year’s grant award recipients:

*The **Small Grant Program** allows smaller non-profits the opportunity to receive a grant and create a new partnership with the ABC Board.*

- **Supportive Housing Communities**

*The **Annual Grant Program** is a long-standing opportunity for funding through new and innovative programming by the organization.*

- **Hope Haven, Inc.**
- **Thompson Child & Family Focus**
- **Smith Family Wellness Center**
- **The Relatives Inc.**
- **Florence Crittenton Services, Inc.**

*The **Renewal Grant Program** focuses on previous grantees and supports its trusted partners.*

- **Teen Health Connection, Inc.**
- **Care Ring**
- **Fashion & Compassion**
- **Safe Alliance**
- **Roof Above**
- **Charlotte Rescue Mission** (Recovery Program and Community Matters Café Life-skills Training Program)
- **The C.W. Williams Community Health Center, Inc.**
- **Dilworth Center** (Enhanced Family Program and Outcomes Measurement Program)
- **Mental Health America of Central Carolinas**

Said Walton, ““Despite supply chain disruptions, shortages and an increase in COVID-19 Delta variant that challenge our business, the Mecklenburg County ABC Board is committed to finding solutions that allow us to continue our legacy community investment track-record in local non-profits who provide access to residents for education, prevention and treatment for alcohol and substance misuse.”

ABOUT MECKLENBURG COUNTY ABC BOARD:

The mission of the Mecklenburg County Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Board is to manage the sale of distilled spirits by promoting excellence in customer service, fiscal responsibility, operational effectiveness, compliance with laws that govern the sale and use of alcoholic beverages and creating community partnerships to improve public health and safety. A self-sustaining entity, the Mecklenburg County ABC Board is not a government organization - it is a stand-alone organization formed by state law, independent of the county or city and its operations are completely funded by customer purchases and store profits. For more information, please visit www.meckabc.com.