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**THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION  
ANNOUNCES \$1,151,205 IN NEW GRANTS;  
OVER \$9 MILLION GIVEN SINCE FORMATION**

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For more information,  
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The Community Foundation of the Dan River Region announced today a total of **\$1,151,205** in new grants to **73** non-profit community agencies at a reception at the Ballou Recreation Center. This is the eleventh year of operation for the Foundation, with total grants returned to the community now over \$9 million.

This year's grants contain \$750,000 in funding made available by a grant from the Danville Regional Foundation.

The following grants were approved by The Community Foundation's Distribution Committee and Board of Directors and awarded from various funds as described below:

**Bachelors Hall Volunteer Fire Department** – (\$6,000) – to assist with purchase of a water pump for brush truck. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**Big Brothers Big Sisters of Danville & Pittsylvania County** – (\$5,000) – to provide financial support for van for children's activities. (**Faye Carter Fund**)

**Blairs Fire and Rescue** – (\$15,000) – to complete upstairs training facility. (**James Russell and Zora Carter Anderson Fund**)

**Boys & Girls Clubs of the Danville Area** – (\$8,000) – to finish landscaping project. (**P. Niles Daly, Pat & Cathy Daly Family and Philip & Frances Daly Funds, Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**Brosville Community Volunteer Fire Department** – (\$20,000) – to assist with purchase of a new crash-rescue truck. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**Callands Volunteer Fire and Rescue** – (\$10,000) – to purchase a Stryker Power Pro hydraulic lift stretcher. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**Cascade Community Center** – (\$5,000) – to enclose front entrance of Center with glass enclosure. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

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**Casville Volunteer Fire Department** – (\$40,000) – to purchase a new truck and pump. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**Caswell County Cooperative Extension Services – 4H** – (\$930) – to pilot The Magic of Electricity 4-H curriculum to 4<sup>th</sup> grade science students at Oakwood Elementary School. (**John C. Swanson, Jr. Fund, Claudia Vernon Smith Fund**)

**Caswell County Emergency Medical Services** – (\$40,000) – to provide automatic external defibrillators (AED) to public buildings, schools and patrol cars, and provide communication technology updates for EMS units. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**Caswell County Partnership for Children** – (\$5,000) – to provide six education field trips for youth enrolled in the Support Our Students Afterschool Program. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**Cedar Terrace Tenant Association** – (\$1,500) – to support youth programs designed to educate youth and create opportunities to improve life skills. (**Faye Carter Fund and Barbara H. and Herbert W. Sater Memorial Fund**)

**Chatham Cares** – (\$11,525) – to provide equipment for technology programs. (**W. Earl and Elise M. G. Allen Fund, Danville Regional Foundation Fund, Audrey F. Millner Memorial Fund**)

**Chatham Fire Department Auxiliary** – (\$15,000) – to install a 60 kilowatt generator and automatic transfer switch at fire station. (**W. Earl and Elise M. G. Allen Fund, Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**City of Danville Ballou Recreation Center** – (\$10,000) – to support Danville Senior Transportation services to assist seniors. (**James Russell and Zora Carter Anderson Fund**)

**City of Danville Fire Department** – (\$18,000) to purchase a “clear command” communication system. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**Climax Volunteer Fire Department** – (\$40,000) – to purchase a new fire truck to replace 1972 model. (**James Russell and Zora Carter Anderson Fund, Danville Regional Foundation Fund, Barbara H. and Herbert W. Sater Memorial Fund**)

**Dan River Region Collaborative/National Fund for Workforce Solutions** – (\$5,000) – to support NFWS Dan River Region Collaborative. (**Administrative/Unrestricted Fund**)

**Danville Area Choral Arts Society** – (\$1,500) – to present a choral concert for the general public entitled “Cinemagic.” (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**Danville Area Humane Society** – (\$5,000) – to fund the medical needs of older, adoptable dogs and cats, and place them in homes of senior citizens with no adoption fee required. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**Danville Association for Retarded Citizens (DARC)** – (\$5,000) – to purchase and install entrance door with push actuators for those with disabilities. (**Clarence L. Giles Fund**)

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**Danville Cancer Association** – (\$25,000) – to assist with cost of cancer-related prescriptions for local cancer patients. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**DCC Educational Foundation** – (\$15,000) – to assist Middle College I students and “Great Expectations” foster children with tuition costs for job training skills, GED preparation, and GED and Career Readiness Certificates. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**Danville Life Saving & First Aid Crew** – (\$25,000) – to purchase pagers and portable radios for crew volunteers. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**Danville Museum of Fine Arts & History** – (\$4,000) – to purchase a project management program to assist in the commemoration of the Sesquicentennial of the American Civil War. (**James Russell and Zora Carter Anderson Fund, Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**Danville-Pittsylvania Community Services** – (\$6,000) – to restore waiting area for Child and Family Services. (**Clarence L. Giles Fund**)

**Danville-Pittsylvania County Habitat for Humanity** – (\$8,000) – to purchase building materials to build a new home for a family. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**Danville Public Schools-Galileo Magnet High School** – (\$3,000) – to support One Book One Community program and purchase the book *Three Cups of Tea* for each student and faculty member. (**Faye Carter Fund**)

**Danville Reading Center** – (\$1,500) – to develop promotional material to inform the public of the existence of the Danville Reading Center. (**Harry Melton Hood Fund**)

**Danville Science Center** – (\$30,000) – to support the traveling “Amazing Butterfly” exhibit and sponsor school group visits for every sixth grade student in Danville, Pittsylvania and Caswell Counties. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**Danville Speech and Hearing Center** – (\$15,000) – to provide speech/language pathology services to uninsured, low income, and under insured adults. (**James Russell and Zora Carter Anderson Fund**)

**Danville Symphony Orchestra** – (\$5,000) – to help with costs to present five free, live orchestral concerts. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**Danville Youth GROW (The First Tee of Danville)** – (\$12,000) – to provide coaches and directors with required training need to maintain the integrity of the Life Skills Curriculum. (**Faye Carter Fund**)

**DOVES** – (\$25,000) – to purchase computer equipment and furniture to provide training for victims of domestic violence. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**Epiphany Episcopal School** – (\$3,000) – to implement First Lego League and Junior First Lego League. (**Gamewood Technology Fund**)

**Free Clinic of Danville** – (\$15,000) – to purchase equipment for checking vital signs, monitoring blood sugar levels and provide vision care, and purchase an AED device. **(The Daniel Fund, John C. Swanson, Jr. Fund, Danville Regional Foundation Fund)**

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**George Washington High School Baseball Booster Club** – (\$5,000) – to build an indoor batting facility at George Washington High School **(Danville Regional Foundation Fund)**

**God's Pit Crew** – (\$20,000) – to construct a new office space and purchase new office equipment. **(Danville Regional Foundation Fund)**

**God's Storehouse** – (\$10,000) – to conduct a site survey. **(Danville Regional Foundation Fund)**

**Hatcher Center** – (\$180,000) – to promote programs and services available, and for development training and building/grounds upgrades. **(Faith Home Fund)**

**Hope Harbor (Alcoholic Counseling Service of Danville)** – (\$13,000) – to provide funding for painting and building renovation. **(James Russell and Zora Carter Anderson Fund, The Daniel Fund, Danville Regional Foundation Fund)**

**Keeling Volunteer Fire Department** – (\$10,000) – to add two additional bays to existing fire station. **(James Russell and Zora Carter Anderson Fund)**

**Kentuck Volunteer Fire Department** – (\$25,000) – to purchase new EMS first responder vehicle. **(Danville Regional Foundation)**

**Little Life Pregnancy Medical Center** – (\$7,000) – to purchase a Shimadzu ultrasound machine. **(James Russell and Zora Carter Anderson Fund)**

**Martinsville-Henry County SPCA** – (\$3,000) – to offer no or low cost pet spay/neuter services to citizens on any form of public assistance in Danville and Pittsylvania County area. **(John C. Swanson, Jr. Fund)**

**Mount Cross Volunteer Fire and Rescue** – (\$10,000) – to purchase an electric stretcher for ambulance. **(Danville Regional Foundation)**

**Mount Hermon Volunteer Fire and Rescue** – (\$15,000) – to provide financial assistance towards the purchase of a rescue/pumper fire truck. **(Danville Regional Foundation Fund)**

**M.T. Sorrell** – (\$2500) – to replace current water heaters that do not exceed 125 degrees. **(James Russell and Zora Anderson Fund)**

**North Theatre** – (\$3,000) – to fund a Children's Theatre program. **(Clarence L. Giles Fund)**

**Northern Pittsylvania County Food Center** – (\$10,000) to add protein products to food boxes. **(Ahmed Children's Fund, Danville Regional Foundation Fund)**

**Pelham Volunteer Fire Department** – (\$25,000) – to help with truck loan. **(Danville Regional Foundation Fund)**

**Piedmont Access to Health Services (PATHS)** – (\$5,750) – to increase access to affordable prescription medications by using the SunRX prescription benefit management system. (**James Russell and Zora Carter Anderson Fund, Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

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**Pittsylvania-Caswell Youth Livestock Association** – (\$5,000) – to purchase equipment for the safe loading and unloading of livestock as well as scales to accurately weigh the animals. (**Clarence L. Giles Fund**)

**Pittsylvania County Community Action** – (\$10,000) – to provide medical transportation for non-Medicaid eligible residents over 60. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**Pittsylvania County Literacy Program** – (\$5,000) – to purchase ABE workbooks, GED prep materials and books for county inmates interested in furthering their education. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**Pittsylvania County Schools** – (\$50,000) – to support and enhance science education by constructing a Regional Dark Sky Observatory. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**Pittsylvania County Schools/FIRST Robotics Program** – (\$1,800) – to provide funding for Tunstall High School students to participate in the FIRST Robotics FIRST Technical Challenge Robotics Program. (**Barbara H. and Herbert W. Sater Memorial Fund**)

**Prospect Hill Volunteer Fire Department** – (\$10,000) – to purchase MSA Evolution 5200 thermal imaging camera and Hurst Ram extensions. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**Providence Fire and Rescue** – (\$20,000) – to help purchase a new tanker. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic** – (\$6,000) – to provide equipment, membership, training and support to schools to serve students with disabilities. (**Clarence L. Giles Fund, James A. and Anne V. Robertson Fund**)

**Ringgold Volunteer Fire and Rescue** – (\$25,000) – to help with bulk payment on a new 2008 E-1 fire truck. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**Sandy River Community Park** – (\$10,000) – to construct a playground, driveway and/or parking lot. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**Semora Volunteer Fire Department** - (\$4,700) – to purchase high visibility traffic vests, road cones and reflective road signs and radios. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**Southern Area Agency on Aging** – (\$50,000) – to provide services and support to enable older individuals to remain in their homes. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**Southwestern Virginia Second Harvest Food Bank** – (\$3,000) – to support the food distribution program that secures, tracks, transports, stores and distributes food to partner

agencies in the Dan River Region. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund, John C. Swanson, Jr. Fund**)

**Town of Yanceyville** – (\$30,000) – to provide improvements to training space for Yanceyville and Piedmont Community College. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

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**Tunstall Volunteer Fire and Rescue** – (\$25,000) – to assist in the purchase of a backup generator for the facility. (**James Russell and Zora Carter Anderson Fund, Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**United Way of Danville Pittsylvania County** – (\$36,000) – to provide staffing and support of utility assistance program. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund, Clarence L. Giles Fund**)

**Veterans Memorial** – (\$25,000) – to erect a fence to define site perimeter and protect the memorial. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**West Central Perinatal Council of Virginia** – (\$8,000) – to provide halo sleep sacks and sudden infant death syndrome risk reduction. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund, John C. Swanson, Jr. Fund**)

**White Oak School** – (\$2,500) – to purchase computer desks for computer lab. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**Yanceyville Fire and Rescue** – (\$10,000) – to purchase rescue extrication equipment. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

**YMCA (Danville Family)** – (\$10,000) – to provide scholarships for children to attend YMCA Summer Camp. (**Danville Regional Foundation Fund**)

The following grants were also recognized but have been previously awarded:

#### **P. L. Anderson, Jr. Family Fund**

Boys and Girls Club of Danville

First Baptist Church

Free Clinic of Danville

Hope Harbor

#### **Garden Club of Danville Fund and Alma Courtney “Sigie” Perkinson Rose Fund**

Garden Club of Danville

#### **Bobby Hawker Memorial Fund**

Pittsylvania County Community Action

#### **Moses & Louise A. Merricks Fund**

God’s Storehouse

Mount Cross Volunteer Fire & Rescue

Sharon Baptist Church

Wayles R. Harrison Memorial Fund

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**Morotock Arts and Culture Fund**

Averett University  
Danville Area Association for Arts & Humanities  
Danville Area Choral Arts Society  
Danville Concert Association  
Danville Museum of Fine Arts and Culture  
North Theatre

The Community Foundation's next grant cycle will begin in June for projects to be funded in 2010.

The Community Foundation of the Dan River Region is a public charity established in September 1996 by a steering committee of civic leaders to meet a variety of social, educational, cultural and other charitable needs. The Foundation serves a region from Martinsville/Henry County to South Boston/Halifax County, including the neighboring North Carolina counties.

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