



Community Foundation *of the* Dan River Region

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DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE

November 19, 2025

3:00 p.m.

In Person – Community Foundation

Agenda

Welcome and Chairman's Remarks.....	Elizabeth Hurt
September 17, 2025, Distribution Committee Minutes.....	Elizabeth Hurt
Site Visit Impressions	Elizabeth Hurt
Process Review and Discussion.....	Elizabeth Hurt
Marshall Family Fund Cycle Decision.....	Elizabeth Hurt
Daly Family Impact Fund Project	Elizabeth Hurt
Distribution Report for December.....	Elizabeth Hurt
Adjournment.....	Elizabeth Hurt

Grant Reception -- Wednesday, January 7, 2026, at Ballou Park Recreation Center

2:30 pm

Next Meeting is March 11, 2026, at 3:00 pm



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MINUTES

The Community Foundation Distribution Committee September 17, 2025

Present: Elizabeth Hurt, Rick Dixon, Jerry Williams, Anne Foster, Paul Fox, Debra Hairston, Cathy Pulliam, Dan Hayes, Emily Tomlinson, Traci Petty, Vince Kania, Jr., Steve Bass

Not Present: Danielle Montague, Tiffany Hairston, Lisa Francisco

Elizabeth Hurt, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm. Ms. Hurt welcomed everyone.

September Distribution Report – Ms. Hurt presented the Distribution Report for the September Quarterly payouts. The Distribution Report was approved on a Williams/Dixon motion with a unanimous vote.

Conflicts of Interest – Ms. Hurt asked the Committee if everyone has executed their Conflict-of-Interest forms and recused themselves from grading applications where they had a Conflict. The Committee members present answer that they have all filed the forms with us for this year and did indeed recuse themselves where necessary.

May 7, 2025, Distribution Committee Minutes – Ms. Hurt presented the minutes from the May 7, 2025, Distribution Committee meeting. The minutes were approved on a Debra Hairston/Dixon motion with a unanimous vote.

DRF Guidelines – Traci Petty reviewed the guidelines of our grant from Danville Regional Foundation, so the Committee understands the assignment of those funds.

Site Visits – Ms. Hurt explained that site visits are necessary for new applicants and a sample of those who haven't had one in five years or more. She asked the Committee members to sign up for a site visit and take a packet of instructions on how to complete one. Committee members discussed site visits and Ms. Hurt filled out the sign-up sheet for them with their responses.

Grant Process and Timeline – Traci Petty explained the new trial process and asked the Committee for feedback. Members discussed the process and agree that they like it and wish to continue using the new team approach. She explained the scale that she plans to use to create a formula for assigning funding amounts based on the scores that each applicant receives in the

review process. Once funding amounts are assigned, any leftover funding will be available for the Distribution Committee to assign to projects they deem worthy during the November meeting.

Grant Review – Traci Petty showed the Committee members the spreadsheet of original applicants and requests in the total amount of \$2,207,837.46. She showed the sheet that reflects the total of \$967,664.70 in funding available and the \$26,200 in Donor Advised Funds that the Donor's will be given the opportunity to commit to the cycle. There is potential funding of \$1,004,464.70.

Traci Petty showed the sheet that reflects the applications removed during the administrative review process. 13 applications were removed for a total of \$636,356.66. She reviewed the reasons for removal with the committee and asked if there were any questions or requests to return any applications to the process.

She explained that there was an application that was reviewed by the Committee that must be removed from Caswell County Emergency Services in the amount of \$25,000. The request is to fund a gym for emergency personnel to utilize. The Council on Foundations advised that the target audience for the project is not a large enough charitable class and represents a private benefit to paid personnel. The total amount removed with this application added is \$661,356.66.

The Committee was informed that there were also six applications who made multiple requests and those applications were adjusted to one ask each removing another \$40,557.98.

The remaining requests total \$1,448,922.80 and there is a shortfall of \$472,259.04 in funding.

Grant Rubric - Traci Petty explained that the rubric only has 501c3 and local government choices. This year we had statewide organizations apply and she would like to get input from the Committee on what information they would like to have to evaluate these organizations.

She points out that the rubric also asks questions that are necessary for some applications but does not adequately apply to all of them. She will add a Not Applicable option to questions so that an organization is not penalized if a question does not apply to the project.

Next Meeting – Traci Petty reminded that the next Distribution Committee Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, November 19, 2025, at 3:00 pm.

There being no further business, the Chair, on a Dixon/Pulliam motion, declared the meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Elizabeth Hurt
Distribution Committee Chair

Site Visits 25-26 Competitive Grant Cycle

Organization	Contact Person	Address	Phone	Project	Name of Site Visitor
City of Danville	Robert David	527 Bridge St 3rd Floor Danville, VA 24541	434-857-3354	to support the purchase of a vehicle to provide program transportation	Anne Foster
Communities in Schools of Virginia	Jon Kozesky	413 Stuart Circle, Richmond VA	804-237-8909	to support after-school enrichment and career-readiness programming at 7 Danville public schools	Danielle Montague
Danville Public Schools Education Foundation	Megan Smith	341 Main St Suite 100 Danville, VA	434-799-6400	to support hotel stays for student families under the McKinney-Vento Act	Debra Hairston
Epic Caswell	Aisha Gwynn	Caswell County	336-283-3111	to support the renovation of Epic Park in Yanceyville	Paul Fox
Hoop Don't Shoot	Stephen Darr	PO Box 10155 Danville VA 24543	540-230-8581	to provide funding for court rentals, supplies and transportation to make basketball accessible	Elizabeth Hurt
IALR	Emma Sellers	150 Slayton Ave Danville VA 24540	434-483-6750	Either to support the launch of the "Serve and Learn" camp or STEM camp scholarships	Jerry Williams

Organization	Contact Person	Address	Phone	Project	Name of Site Visitor
Providence Fire and Rescue, Inc.	Stephen Vernon	Providence North Carolina	336-514-2157	to purchase battery operated jaws of life, battery operated hydraulic cutter, battery operated hydraulic ram, 10 extra batteries and a 120 v converter	Rick Dixon, Paul Fox
Simply Said	Julie Barnett	149 Deer Run Rd Danville VA 24540	434-228-2756	to support Toys are Tools Toolboxes to families with children 0 - 3	Tiffany Hairston (could not complete so Traci Petty completed it)
VA-NC Piedmont Genealogy Society	Liz Whittaker	Rubie Archie Library	434-770-5656	to upgrade software and hardware with two new computers, a WiFi router and IT support	Cathy Pulliam

Total Funding Available for 2025-2026

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
Community Impact Fund (Unrestricted	\$541,300.00	unrestricted
Danville Regional Foundation Fund	\$282,000.00	somewhat unrestricted
Free Clinic Fund	\$66,400.00	health and wellness
Stratford House Fund	\$44,700.00	elderly support
Faye Carter Fund	\$13,200.00	education
W. Earl and Elise M.G. Allen Fund	\$21,000.00	Pittsylvania County support
Animal Welfare Fund	\$1,200.00	animal services
Mary Cahill Historic Preservation Fund	\$500.00	historic support
Ahmed's Children's Fund	\$500.00	education
Laurie S. Moran Rotary Service	\$500.00	rotary service areas
Total:	\$971,300.00	

Fund for Halifax	\$4,100	Halifax Support
South Boston Medical Fund	\$1,200	Medical support

\$976,600.00**Donor Advised Contributions - Confirmed**

P. Niles and Carol Daly, Jr. Fund	\$3,900	House of Hope
Philip and Frances Daly Fund	\$9,500	House of Hope
Irving H. and Louise Hambrick Scarce		
Animal Welfare Fund	\$1,300	SPCA of Pittsylvania County
Helen and Webb Maddux Fund	\$4,700	Danville Life and First Aid Crew, Inc.
Gamewood Technology Fund	\$7,000	Caswell County Partnership for Children - Summer Learning Kits
Audrey F. Millner and H. Victor Millner, Jr. Fund	\$1,400	Danville Literacy Council in honor of Laura Morgan Powell

Total Available to Spend: \$1,004,400.00

Category Approved Percentages 2025**Total Amount of Funding - \$1,004,400****Allotted per category:**

Animal Services	5%	\$50,220
Arts and Culture	10%	\$100,440
Community Development	15%	\$150,660
Education and Youth	25%	\$251,100
Emergency Services	5%	\$50,220
Health and Wellness	15%	\$150,660
Human Services	25%	\$251,100

2025 Sliding Scale**Funded at:**

Request \$50,000 and above	0.55%
Request \$30,000 - \$49,999	0.60%
Request \$16,000 - \$29,999	0.65%
Request \$1 - \$15,999	0.70%

Fund for Halifax Advisory Committee Recommendations

	Requested	Funded		
Feed More, Inc.	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	Halifax	Human Services
Kingdom Warriors Inc	\$500.00	\$500.00	Halifax	Human Services
Southern Virginia Botanical Gardens				
Environmental & Education Center	\$19,700.00	\$19,700.00	Halifax	Community Development
Southern Virginia Higher Education Foundation Inc	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	Halifax	Education and Youth
Tri-County Community Action Agency, Inc.	\$75,000.00	\$18,000.00	Halifax	Human Services
Total Requests:	\$102,700.00	\$45,700.00		Adjusted Ask

Organization	Original Funding Request	Category	Funding	Purpose Statements	Category Totals
Good Hope Equestrian & Regenerative Farm, Inc.	\$5,000.00	Human Services	\$5,000.00	to provide support for a year-round organic food production greenhouse project	\$288,500.00
Caswell County Parish, Inc	\$20,000.00	Human Services	\$13,000.00	to provide assistance to families in danger of losing their electrical service or need assistance with alternative forms of heat	
House of Hope	\$8,599.00	Human Services	\$13,400.00	to purchase and install a new heating/air unit in a newly renovated area of the shelter	\$288,500.00
Tri-County Community Action Agency, Inc	\$75,000.00	Human Services	\$18,000.00	to support the home visiting model with nursery packages	
Feed More, Inc	\$5,000.00	Human Services	\$5,000.00	to support the four school markets in Halifax County	\$288,500.00
Danville Pittsylvania Co. Habitat for Humanity	\$50,000.00	Human Services	\$27,500.00	to support the next partner family's house located on Martin Avenue House 2	
Southern Area Agency on Aging	\$34,215.00	Human Services	\$20,500.00	to provide a safety net for low-income older adults having a financial emergency	\$288,500.00
City of Danville - Parks & Recreation	\$10,000.00	Human Services	\$7,000.00	to provide a cost free fitness area to active adults at the Ballou Recreation Center	
Fairview Church Properties	\$13,500.00	Human Services	\$9,500.00	to provide nutritional weekend food backpacks to children attending Park Avenue School	\$288,500.00
God's Storehouse	\$55,000.00	Human Services	\$30,200.00	to purchase food for distribution during the slow donation months of February to May and August to October	
The Doorways	\$10,000.00	Human Services	\$7,000.00	to provide lodging and amenities to residents in The Foundation's service area seeking medical care in Richmond, Virginia	\$288,500.00
Haven of the Dan River Region, Inc	\$18,800.00	Human Services	\$11,000.00	to provide financial support for a licensed counselor and meeting space rentals	
Northern Pittsylvania County Food Center	\$20,000.00	Human Services	\$13,000.00	to purchase food to distribute to low-income families in Pittsylvania County	\$288,500.00
Second Harvest Food Bank of Northwest NC	\$20,000.00	Human Services	\$13,000.00	to provide additional food for Caswell Partner Agencies	
The Salvation Army of Danville	\$25,000.00	Human Services	\$16,200.00	to provide support for the Family Services Program	\$288,500.00

Caswell County Local Foods Council Inc	Human Services	\$25,000.00	\$10,500.00 to provide seed grants for farmers
City of Danville - Social Services	Human Services	\$50,000.00	to support the Neighbors Helping Neighbors and Combating Homelessness programs
Grace A LOT, Inc.	Human Services	\$16,200.00	\$27,500.00
Arc Of Southside Inc	Human Services	\$46,661.00	\$10,500.00 to purchase and install two mini-split HVAC units to replace the old HVAC system at the administrative office
Danville Pittsylvania Community Services	Human Services	\$3,200.00	\$2,200.00 to support a quarterly community book study that promotes trauma-informed awareness and practice
Kingdom Warriors, Inc	Human Services	\$500.00	\$500.00 to support the purchase of supplies and materials
American Red Cross of Blue Ridge Virginia	Health and Wellness	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00 to support two local blood drives
Danville-Pittsylvania Cancer Association	Health and Wellness	\$32,000.00	\$19,200.00 to provide mileage reimbursement to cancer related appointments
Compassion Health Care Inc	Health and Wellness	\$30,000.00	\$18,000.00 to provide financial support to cancer patients for medical needs and transportation
Danville Life Saving & First Aid Crew, Inc.	Emergency Services	\$14,800.00	\$14,800.00 to support the purchase of 18 Toughbooks
Blairs Fire & Rescue, Inc.	Emergency Services	\$33,105.00	\$19,900.00 to support the purchase of 7 sets of turnout gear
Casville Volunteer Fire Dept.	Emergency Services	\$13,000.00	\$9,100.00 to purchase five 800Mhz radios
Pelham Volunteer Fire Department	Emergency Services	\$3,084.95	\$2,200.00 to provide CPR training
Mount Hermon Volunteer Fire Department	Emergency Services	\$7,469.50	to replace aging airbags to remove trapped accident victims
Prospect Hill Volunteer Fire Department	Emergency Services	\$22,043.88	\$14,400.00 to purchase up-to-date extrication equipment
Providence Fire & Rescue, Inc.	Emergency Services	\$50,000.00	\$27,500.00 to purchase extrication equipment
Semora Volunteer Fire Department Inc	Emergency Services	\$15,000.00	\$9,700.00 to support repairs of the training room floor

\$47,200.00

\$118,400.00

Town Of Yanceyville Fire Department	Emergency Services	\$24,000.00	\$15,600.00 to support the purchase of new turnout gear
Victory Junction Gang Camp Inc	Education and Youth	\$20,000.00	to support camps for kids 6-16 from the Dan River Region that have complex medical and physical needs
Caswell County Partnership for Children	Education and Youth	\$8,946.00	\$7,000.00 to provide summer learning kits to preschool children through the Raising-A-Reader program
Danville Science Center, Inc.	Education and Youth	\$20,000.00	\$13,000.00 to support the purchase of films and licenses for the digital dome theater
Boys & Girls Clubs of the Danville Area	Education and Youth	\$36,278.00	\$21,800.00 to support creation of robotics lab and training to expand the Quad A initiative
Danville Church and Community Tutorial Program	Education and Youth	\$24,500.00	\$15,900.00 to support training and stipends for tutors and a reading and math consultant
Reach Out And Read Inc	Education and Youth	\$15,500.00	\$10,800.00 to provide support for active programs in Caswell County, Halifax County and Danville
Southern Virginia Higher Education	Education and Youth	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00 to support the Creative Pathways program
Community Improvement Council, Inc. Institute For Advanced Learning And Research Foundation	Education and Youth	\$23,324.00	\$15,200.00 to purchase age-appropriate digital learning tools and software for each classroom
Simply Said Inc	Education and Youth	\$19,450.00	\$7,500.00 to provide funding for the Serve and Learn camp
Danville Public Schools Education Foundation	Education and Youth	\$12,500.00	\$8,800.00 to support Toys are Tools Toolboxes to families with children 0 - 3
City of Danville - Gang Prevention	Education and Youth	\$25,000.00	\$16,200.00 to support hotel stays for student families under the McKinney-Vento Act
Communities in Schools of Virginia	Education and Youth	\$35,000.00	\$18,000.00 to support the purchase of a vehicle to provide program transportation
County of Caswell Parks & Recreation Department	Education and Youth	\$15,000.00	\$10,500.00 to support after-school enrichment and career-readiness programming at 7 Danville public schools
Big Brothers Big Sisters	Education and Youth	\$25,000.00	\$15,600.00 to purchase and install a volleyball net system for youth volleyball
	Education and Youth	\$12,000.00	\$8,400.00 to support career readiness through travel in Virginia

\$254,100.00

Hoop Don't Shoot	Education \$20,000.00 and Youth	to provide funding for court rentals, supplies and transportation to make basketball accessible	\$10,500.00
Danville Literacy Council	Education \$10,000.00 and Youth	to support the workshops of Commune Tea	\$7,000.00
Danville Family YMCA	Education \$82,500.00 and Youth	to support the purchase of a 14 passenger van	\$45,400.00
Dan River Basin Association	Community \$7,500.00 Development	to support the public education of "wild lawns" and their impact on the environment	\$5,300.00
Westmoreland Neighborhood Organization	Community \$20,000.00 Development	to install lighting and electricity at Westmoreland Park	\$13,000.00
Southern Virginia Botanical Gardens	Community \$19,700.00 Development	to dig a well and install a well pump	\$19,700.00
Milton Preservation and Beautification Society, Inc.	Community \$34,500.00 Development	to support the renovation of the Claude Allen Plug Tobacco Barn	\$20,700.00
The Garden Club of Danville	Community \$19,821.18 Development	to support preservation of Old Grove Street Cemetery	\$12,900.00
Town of Chatham	Community \$20,000.00 Development	to paint a mural at the western entrance to Chatham via US Hwy 57	\$13,000.00
Epic Caswell Inc	Community \$30,000.00 Development	to support the renovation of Epic Park in Yanceyville	\$18,000.00
Danville Concert Association, Inc.	Arts and Cultural \$6,000.00	to support the G. Thomas Allen Quintet performance	\$4,200.00
Danville Museum of Fine Arts and History	Arts and Cultural \$20,000.00	to support the Sherman Watkins art exhibit	\$13,000.00
Caswell Council for the Arts	Arts and Cultural \$10,000.00	to support the Global Grooves project	\$7,000.00
			\$35,900.00
			\$102,600.00

Danville Area Choral Arts Society	Arts and Cultural	\$5,000.00	to support a choral arts concert with community handbell choir and children's choir	\$3,500.00
VA-NC Piedmont Genealogical Society	Arts and Cultural	\$4,099.98	to upgrade software and hardware with two new computers, a WiFi router and IT support	\$2,900.00
Danville Symphony Orchestra	Arts and Cultural	\$7,500.00	to support a free, live orchestral performance	\$5,300.00
Animal Protection Society of Caswell County, Inc., f/k/a the Northern Piedmont, Inc	Animal Services	\$5,400.00	to purchase a metal shipping container to serve as a pet food storage shed	\$3,800.00
SPCA of Pittsylvania County	Animal Services	\$25,000.00	to support veterinary care for rescue animals	\$16,300.00
Fine Whines and Lickers	Animal Services	\$20,000.00	to support the spay and neuter program	\$13,000.00

Total Original Asks After Eliminations:	Total	\$1,428,197.49	Expenditures:	\$879,800.00
	Total left to invest:			\$548,397.49

\$879,800.00

Marshall Fund Discussion

Marshall Fund 20 Quarter Avg

Conservative Estimate

Distribution to Organizations (Guesswork)

These amounts are less the 15% paid off the top to Grace Design and The Community Foundation

2025	\$2,600,000.00	\$80,000.00
2026	\$4,900,000.00	\$170,000.00
2027	\$9,100,000.00	\$290,000.00
2028	\$13,212,000.00	\$421,000.00
2029	\$17,320,000.00	\$552,000.00
2030	\$20,522,000.00	\$654,000.00
2031	\$22,148,000.00	\$706,000.00

CFDRR Grant Request to the Daly Family Trust Cycle that was approved for \$5,000 in funding.

Current Situation

According to the Austin Career Institute, middle-skills jobs are the backbone of the United States workforce, comprising over half of all employment. These roles span industries like healthcare, construction, manufacturing, and technical services. Professions of this nature require specialized training through certifications or associates degrees that can be completed in a short amount of time, yet a staggering 1.2 million job openings remain unfilled across the country due to a lack of qualified workers.

Reshorennow.com is the website of the Reshoring Initiative that seeks to bring manufacturing back to the United States. Reshorennow.org identifies that 92% of Virginia's population has obtained a high school diploma or its equivalent, 42% have earned a bachelor's degree and 18.6% have obtained a graduate degree. Between 2020 and 2030, the Bureau of Labor Statistics projects that about 60% of new jobs will be in occupations that require specialized training or certifications, not a degree. The U.S. Chamber of Commerce reported in 2024 that Virginia struggles with a workforce shortage, evidenced by the fact that out of a hundred jobs advertised there are only 47 qualified workers available.

Danville and Pittsylvania County are undergoing a transformation that aims to reinvigorate the economy, by attracting new businesses and expanding existing businesses. The primary concern for companies when deciding where to establish their operations has shifted from focus on geographical factors to concern about where their future workforce will be drawn and sustained. When Tennessee-based Microporous officials visited in 2022 to scout for locations to build a new 1.4-billion-dollar plant that intends to provide 2,000 jobs, economic development leaders took them to visit eleven-year-old children in our public schools. The children were working on virtual welding machines, running a computer numerical control milling machine, and building things through additive manufacturing. Although there was likely a combination of factors that swayed the decision of the company from settling in Sanford, North Carolina, to instead choose the Southern Virginia Megasite at Berry Hill, the vision of the workforce of tomorrow being trained today was undoubtedly important.

Challenges

The challenges facing Virginia cities and counties are numerous.

For many years the idea that a 4-year college degree was the only way to be successful has created a mismatch between available training and industry standards. A societal bias about blue collar professions and rapidly evolving technology are just some of the factors

that leave communities with a workforce that lacks essential skillsets. The advanced technology and equipment needed for training programs is expensive and require expertise to utilize and teach, which also poses problems for educators.

A recent state grant provided funding for equipment upgrades to the HVAC program at George Washington High School. Danville Community College offers a program that continues HVAC education and provides the opportunity for the certifications needed for this career path. HVAC is just one example of a workforce pipeline created within our community to allow students to receive the necessary training to enter high paying careers without the need to leave the area or incur six-figure student loan debt.

While our school systems are doing a great job of adding Career and Technical and STEM education choices, there are existing gaps that need to be bridged until the programs are comprehensive throughout a student's academic years.

Connection and Request

The school systems are currently introducing students to Career and Technical and STEM education in elementary school. The curriculum picks back up for the high school students and offers connections with businesses for local apprenticeships. The opportunities continue in college through Averett University and Danville Community College. However, middle school students currently receive minimal exposure to continue these avenues of learning. In addition, all students are potentially losing forward momentum during the summer breaks. Summer camps have been established to support the continuous building of skills for these students to minimize the loss of learning during the summer break.

The Community Foundation Strategic Plan includes a goal to increase workforce participation. To bridge the gap of an unskilled workforce until the public-school systems are able to ramp up their capabilities, The Foundation has implemented a multi-pronged approach. We currently provide support for:

- 1) **Infrastructure** – The Foundation currently has donors who have set up funds to support local colleges in the purchase of equipment, tools and updated curricula to keep up with rapidly changing industry standards and technological advancements.
- 2) **Tuition** – The Foundation provides scholarships for graduating seniors and adults who wish to obtain certification or degrees in career and technical fields.
- 3) **Exposure** – The Foundation sponsors and participates in the Career Expo hosted by the Institute for Advanced Learning and Research to help students in the 7th and 10th grades gain exposure to career avenues they may not know exist.

The Foundation would like to add an area of support labeled as **Consistent Skills Building**. This area would provide funding for registration fees to Career and Technical and STEM education summer camps for disadvantaged students. This type of support would allow them to continue building skills and not lose forward momentum toward career development.

Through this grant application we are requesting \$10,000 to establish a pass-through fund that would be named "**Daly Family Impact Fund**." Every dollar issued from the fund would be advertised by the tagline "**Provided by the Daly Family Impact Fund**" and would lift up disadvantaged middle school students to allow them to exceed their dreams.

Matching Funds

The Foundation would like this fund to exist for the time needed by the school systems to establish a comprehensive curriculum that supports all students in the areas of Career and Technical and STEM education. As such, we would match the dollars provided by the Daly Family to extend the duration of the fund.

Conclusion

The United States is facing a crisis of workforce shortages. Virginia is doing the work to put the right educational training in place to develop a talent pipeline. Danville and Pittsylvania County leaders are connecting education and training available for students to align our workforce with the growing needs of industry. Companies are no longer choosing to invest in new builds and expansions based on geographical factors alone, they have recognized that a skilled current and future workforce is a necessity for success. Talent pipeline development makes Danville and Pittsylvania County a lucrative destination for new companies and existing company expansions. It is imperative that students be provided with consistent skills building throughout their academic years to prepare them for making a career choice and entering the workforce. The country is at an interesting crossroad where students have many options to enter high paying jobs without incurring six-figure student debt. The choices students make will be a part of the alignment necessary for the success of the entire country. The Daly Family Impact Fund is a win-win strategy. It will have an immediate impact on disadvantaged students' journey to rise above poverty to build a better future for themselves while simultaneously providing long-term stabilization for the region's economy.



**Distribution Committee Report
Board Meeting
December 8, 2025 - DRAFT**

Need Board Approval for All of the Following Grants:

- ❖ Distribution Committee received seventy-nine (87) grant requests totaling more than \$2.2 million for the 2025-26 Competitive Grant Cycle. Seventy-two (72) were selected to advance to the second review phase. Sixty-seven (67) grant proposals were approved by the Distribution Committee, totaling **\$1,004,400**.

The following Donor Advised, Field of Interest, Community Impact, and Danville Regional Foundation funds support the 2025-26 Competitive Grant Cycle:

- ❖ **Philip & Frances Daly Fund – Donor Advised (\$9,500)**
 - House of Hope - \$9,500 – to purchase and install a new heating/air unit in a newly renovated area of the shelter
- ❖ **P. Niles and Carol Daly, Jr. Fund – Donor Advised (\$3,900)**
 - House of Hope - \$3,900 - to purchase and install a new heating/air unit in a newly renovated area of the shelter
- ❖ **Gamewood Technology Fund – Donor Advised (\$7,000)**
 - Caswell County Partnership for Children - \$7,000 – to purchase summer learning kits
- ❖ **Irving H. and Louise Hambrick Scarce Animal Welfare Fund – Donor Advised (\$1,300)**
 - SPCA of Pittsylvania County - \$1,300 – to support veterinary care for rescue animals
- ❖ **Audrey F. Millner and H. Victor Millner, Jr., Fund – Donor Advised (\$1,400)**
 - Danville Literacy Council in honor of Laura Morgan Powell- \$1,400 – to support the workshops of Commune Tea
- ❖ **Helen and Webb Maddux Fund – Donor Advised (\$4,700)**
 - Danville Life Saving and First Aid Crew, Inc. - \$4,700 – to support the purchase of 18 Toughbooks
- ❖ **Ahmed Children's Fund – Field of Interest (\$500)**

- Simply Said, Inc. - \$500 – to support Toys are Tools Toolboxes to families with children 0 - 3
- ❖ **W. Earl & Elise M. G. Allen Fund – Field of Interest (\$21,000)**
 - Town of Chatham - \$13,000 - to paint a mural at the western entrance to Chatham via US Hwy 57
 - Good Hope Equestrian & Regen Farm - \$5,000 - to provide support for a year-round organic food production greenhouse project
 - Mount Hermon Fire Dept - \$3,000 – to replace aging airbags to remove trapped accident victims
- ❖ **Animal Welfare Fund – Field of Interest (\$1,200)**
 - SPCA of Pittsylvania County - \$1,200 - to support veterinary care for rescue animals
- ❖ **Mary Cahill Historic Preservation Fund – Field of Interest (\$500)**
 - VA-NC Piedmont Genealogical Society - \$500 - to upgrade software and hardware with two new computers, a WiFi router and IT support
- ❖ **Faye Carter Fund – Field of Interest (\$13,200)**
 - Danville Science Center, Inc - \$13,000 - to support the purchase of films and licenses for the digital dome theater
 - Simply Said, Inc. - \$200 - to support Toys are Tools Toolboxes to families with children 0 - 3
- ❖ **Free Clinic of Danville Fund – Field of Interest (\$66,400)**
 - Danville-Pittsylvania Cancer Association - \$19,200 - to provide mileage reimbursement to cancer related appointments
 - Danville Life Saving and First Aid Crew, Inc.- \$10,100 - to support the purchase of 18 Toughbooks
 - Blairs Fire and Rescue - \$16,100 - to support the purchase of 7 sets of turnout gear
 - Haven of the Dan River Region, Inc. - \$11,000 - to provide financial support for a licensed counselor and meeting space rentals
 - American Red Cross - \$10,000 - to support two local blood drives
- ❖ **Laurie S. Moran Rotary Service Fund – Field of Interest (\$500)**
 - Communities in Schools of Virginia - \$500 - to support after-school enrichment and career-readiness programming at seven Danville public schools
- ❖ **Stratford House Fund – Field of Interest (\$44,700)**
 - City of Danville Parks and Recreation - \$7,000 - to provide a cost-free fitness area to active older adults at the Ballou Recreation Center
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 - The Doorways - \$7,000 - to provide lodging and amenities to residents in The Foundation's service area seeking medical care in Richmond, Virginia
 - Mount Hermon Volunteer Fire Dept - \$700 - to replace aging airbags to remove trapped accident victims
- ❖ **Fund for Halifax County – Field of Interest (\$4,100)**
 - Feed More, Inc - \$1,600 – to support the four school markets in Halifax County
 - Southern Virginia Higher Education Center - \$2,500 – to support the Creative Pathways program
- ❖ **South Boston Medical Fund – Field of Interest (\$1,200)**
 - Tri-County Community Action Agency, Inc.- \$1,200 – to support the home visiting model with nursery packages
- ❖ **Community Impact Fund – Unrestricted (\$541,364)**
 - to support competitive grant cycle-Attached to this report
- ❖ **Danville Regional Foundation Fund – Granted (\$282,000)**
 - to support competitive grant cycle-Attached to this report

TOTAL for 2025 Competitive Grant Cycle: \$1,004,400

The following Designated, Donor Advised, and Field of Interest funds are included in the recurring December payouts:

- ❖ **Charles G. and Carol E. Ellis Fund – Designated (\$1,299)**
 - Danville Symphony Orchestra - \$433 – unrestricted
 - Danville Life Saving Crew - \$433 – unrestricted
 - Rockledge Presbyterian Church - \$433 - unrestricted
- ❖ **Nancy Flippen Fund – Designated (\$1,800)**
 - Boys and Girls Clubs of the Danville Area - \$900 - for educational purposes
 - Danville Concert Association - \$900 – for general purposes
- ❖ **Garden Club of Danville Fund - Designated (\$1,400)**
 - The Garden Club of Danville – \$1,400 – for its charitable purposes
- ❖ **Peter and Jo Ann Howard L'Dor V'Dor Fund – Designated (\$2,200)**
 - Temple Beth Sholom - \$2,200 – unrestricted
- ❖ **Carol and Charley Majors Fund – Designated (\$2,800)**

- Danville Public Schools Education Foundation - \$2,800 – to purchase books for Kindergarteners at Schoolfield Elementary School
- ❖ **Wayne and Nancy Oakes Fund – Designated (\$20,000)**
 - Averett University - \$6,000 – unrestricted
 - Danville Community College Educational Foundation - \$6,000 – to support business and economic development related trainings or events
 - Danville Concert Association - \$3,000 – to support their annual concert series
 - Danville Symphony Orchestra - \$3,000 – to support the orchestral concert season
 - Downtown Danville Association dba River District Association - \$2,000 – to support business and economic development related trainings or events
- ❖ **John S. and Nancy P. Garwood Fund – Designated (\$2,600)**
 - First Baptist Church - \$1,300 - unrestricted
 - God's Pit Crew - \$260 - unrestricted
 - Danville Family YMCA - \$260 - unrestricted
 - Danville Community College - \$130 – Townes Family Scholarship
 - Danville Kiwanis Foundation - \$130 - unrestricted
 - God's Storehouse - \$130 - unrestricted
 - Grace & Main - \$130 - unrestricted
 - Danville Life Saving and First Aid Crew - \$130 - unrestricted
 - Charlotte YMCA - \$130 – for Camp Harrison (the Nature Center)
- ❖ **Veterans Memorial Endowment Fund - Designated (\$10,800)**
 - Veterans Memorial Discretionary Trust - \$10,800
- ❖ **Veterans Memorial Temporary Fund (\$?)**
 - Veterans Memorial Discretionary Trust - \$ – unrestricted
- ❖ **H. Lee Fowlkes Endowment Fund for Caswell Arts – Designated (\$2,000)**
 - Caswell Council for the Arts agency fund- \$2,000 – to support charitable or educational purposes
 - Caswell Council for the Arts individual fund - \$0 – to support charitable or educational purposes
- ❖ **My Brothers Keeper Foundation, Inc. – Designated Agency Fund (\$300)**
 - My Brothers Keeper Foundation - \$300 – payment from Agency Fund
- ❖ **Ed and Virginia Hughes Memorial Fund – Designated (\$300)**
 - Danville Life Saving and First Aid Crew - \$150 – unrestricted
 - Mount Cross Fire Volunteer Fire Department - \$150 – unrestricted
- ❖ **Pat and Cathy Daly Fund – Donor Advised Fund (\$8,200)**
 - Boys and Girls Clubs of the Danville Area - \$8,200 – unrestricted

- ❖ **The Thompson Family Fund – Donor Advised Fund (\$500)**
 - Caswell County Schools - \$500 - to support the vocational department under Dr. Medina Jones
- ❖ **Lady Bug Fund – Field of Interest (\$800)**
 - Virginia's Chapter of the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention - \$800 - to support youth mental health and suicide awareness and prevention
- ❖ **Mary Neil Literacy Fund – Field of Interest (\$500)**
 - Project Literacy - \$500 - to help support adult literacy
- ❖ **Community Impact Fund – Unrestricted (\$1,000)**
 - Graduate of Merit Program – \$600 – We would like to provide financial support for students from each Pittsylvania County High School.
 - Danville Public Schools Graduate of Distinction Program – \$400 – We wish to provide financial support for students from each Danville City High School. The money raised goes toward the scholarship fund for each Graduate of Distinction.
- ❖ **Special Initiatives Fund – Pass Through Fund (\$5,000)**
 - Daly Family Impact Fund - \$5,000 – Matching grant funding from the Daly Family Trust to support

TOTAL for recurring December payouts: \$

TOTAL for Competitive Grant Cycle and recurring December payouts: \$

Updates:

- ❖ Our annual Grant Reception is scheduled for Wednesday, January 7, 2026, at 2:30 p.m. at Ballou Park Recreation Center.
- ❖ Scholarship Applications have been updated and will be available online January 1, 2026.
- ❖ Autism, Arts and Cultural and Keokee grant cycles will begin January 1, 2026. Marshall grant cycle will begin February 1, 2026.

Danville Regional Foundation Fund Total Available	\$282,000.00
Northern Pittsylvania County Food Center	\$13,000.00
The Salvation Army of Danville	\$16,200.00
Caswell County Local Foods Council, Inc.	\$10,500.00
Arc of Southside, Inc.	\$25,000.00
God's Storehouse	\$25,000.00
The Garden Club of Danville	\$6,000.00
Prospect Hill Fire Department	\$14,400.00
Victory Junction Gang Camp, Inc	\$20,000.00
Danville Family YMCA	\$25,000.00
Boys and Girls Club	\$21,800.00
Danville Church and Community	\$15,900.00
Epic Caswell, Inc.	\$18,000.00
Hoop Don't Shoot	\$10,500.00
Second Harvest Food Bank of Northwest NC	\$13,000.00
Grace A Lot	\$10,500.00
County of Caswell Parks and Recreation Dept	\$15,600.00
Pelham Volunteer Fire Dept	\$2,200.00
Danville Literacy Council	\$4,200.00
Caswell County Parish, Inc	\$13,000.00
Caswell Council for the Arts	\$2,200.00
Total Expended:	\$282,000.00

Community Impact Fund - Total Available:	\$541,300.00
City of Danville Social Services	\$27,500.00
Tri-County Community Agency, Inc.	\$16,800.00
Feed More, Inc	\$3,400.00
Danville Pittsylvania Co. Habitat for Humanity	\$27,500.00
SPCA of Pittsylvania County	\$13,800.00
Fine Whines and Lickers	\$13,000.00
Animal Protection Society of Caswell County, Inc.	\$3,800.00
Compassion Health Care, Inc.	\$18,000.00
Kingdom Warriors, Inc.	\$500.00
Danville Family YMCA	\$20,400.00
Southern Virginia Botanical Gardens	\$19,700.00
Milton Preservation and Beautification Society Inc.	\$20,700.00
Fairview Church Properties	\$9,500.00
Simply Said, Inc.	\$8,100.00
Casville Volunteer Fire Dept	\$9,100.00
Danville Museum of Fine Arts and History	\$13,000.00
VA-NC Piedmont Genealogical Society	\$2,400.00
Danville Area Choral Arts Society	\$3,500.00
Caswell Council for the Arts	\$4,800.00
The Garden Club of Danville	\$6,900.00
Westmoreland Neighborhood Organization	\$13,000.00
Dan River Basin Association	\$5,300.00
Danville Literacy Council	\$1,400.00
Big Brothers Big Sisters	\$8,400.00
Communities in Schools of Virginia	\$10,000.00
City of Danville Gang Prevention	\$18,000.00
Danville Public Schools Education Foundation	\$16,200.00
Institute for Advanced Learning and Research	\$7,500.00
Community Improvement Council, Inc.	\$15,200.00
Reach Out and Read, Inc	\$10,800.00
Providence Fire and Rescue	\$27,500.00
Town of Yanceyville Fire Dept	\$15,600.00
Semora Volunteer Fire Department	\$9,700.00
God's Storehouse	\$5,200.00
Arc of Southside	\$3,000.00
Blairs Fire and Rescue	\$3,800.00
Mount Hermon Volunteer Fire Dept	\$1,500.00
Danville Pittsylvania Community Services	\$2,200.00
Total Expended:	\$416,700.00

Difference of \$124,600