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**New Hanover
Community
Endowment**

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New Hanover Community Endowment Invests More Than \$6.5 Million To Build A Northside Grocery Store



The New Hanover Community Endowment invested \$6,792,000.00 over three years in the construction and operation of the Northside Food Cooperative, a startup grocery store that will revitalize and bring healthy food access to the Northside neighborhood.



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This is the first step toward eradicating a 35-year-old food desert on Wilmington’s Northside. We’re excited to invest in grassroots solutions like the Northside Food Cooperative and look forward to partnering with them and New Hanover County to bring a grocery store to the community.

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BILL CAMERON
NHCE Board Chair

Located at the center of 10th and Post Streets, the Northside Food Cooperative will be a small-format, full-line store, selling primarily conventional groceries (name brands that customers are familiar with), with an emphasis on fresh departments like produce, meat and seafood. The Endowment’s investment will cover construction and design costs as well as provide capital to open the store.

A Northside grocery store is pivotal for community development and provides easy access to fresh, nutritious food, combating food deserts and promoting healthier lifestyles. Additionally, it drives economic growth, creating jobs and supporting local farmers and vendors. It champions food access, community development, and resilience.

The grocery store is currently in the planning and development phase with construction scheduled to commence in 2025 and a grand opening in early 2026.



2024 NHCE Grants

The New Hanover Community Endowment will distribute a multi-year grant to the following organization:

Northside Food Cooperative **\$6,792,000.00**

2024 Q1 Drawdown - \$2,039,364.00

The Northside Food Cooperative is a startup grocery store that will bring healthy food access to the Northside neighborhood. A store is pivotal for community development and provides easy access to fresh, nutritious food, combating food deserts and promoting healthier lifestyles. It also drives economic growth, creating jobs and supporting local farmers and vendors.



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2023 Strategic Grants

The New Hanover Community Endowment will distribute multi-year grants to the following organizations:

Health Care Talent Collaboration


Cape Fear Community College, New Hanover County Schools, the University of North Carolina Wilmington's College of Health and Human Services and the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce are partnering to revolutionize the health care talent landscape by prioritizing the recruitment, training, and retention of skilled professionals in New Hanover County.



	Point of Contact	2023 Q4 Drawdown
University Of North Carolina At Wilmington \$10,253,500.00 	Andrea Monroe Weaver weavera@uncw.edu	\$1,262,500.00
Cape Fear Community College Foundation \$10,153,633.00 	Sonya Johnson sjohnson@cfcc.edu	\$1,429,887.00
New Hanover County Schools \$1,680,000.00 	Salvatore Cardella salvatore.cardella@nhcs.net	\$715,000.00
Greater Wilmington Chamber Foundation \$250,000.00 	Megan Mullins mullins@wilmingtonchamber.org	\$150,000.00

Community Justice Center (CJC)

The grant supports the creation of a Community Justice Center (CJC), which will be housed at the Harrelson Center, that will end the generational cycle of violence through early intervention, education, and prevention. The CJC's multidisciplinary team of approximately two dozen professionals will include prosecutors, law enforcement, and direct service providers who will work to solve, prove, and prevent crime; support victims in achieving safety, stability, and self-sufficiency; provide mental health services and rehabilitation to reduce recidivism and improve community safety. The CJC will be open 24 hours a day.

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Community Justice Center (CJC)



New Hanover County District Attorney's Office \$3,439,066.00
2024 Q1 Drawdown - \$573,177.66



Jo Ann Carter Harrelson Center Inc \$1,578,830.00
2024 Q1 Drawdown - \$526,276.67

Boys & Girls Clubs Of Southeastern North Carolina

\$1,653,200.00

This grant supports the unified Club's continued growth with a commitment to providing quality out-of-school programming in a safe, supportive environment with positive adult mentors. A secondary focus is on Youth of the Year and workforce development programs aimed at developing college and workforce readiness skills. A portion of the budget will support acquisition of transportation equipment and other capital improvements including refurbishment of ballfields and playgrounds and a computer lab.



Point of Contact ▶ Kristin McPeters kmceters@bgcsenc.org



2023 Q4 Drawdown ▶ \$902,500.00

Cape Fear Clinic \$1,200,000.00

This grant supports Cape Fear Clinic (CFC) providing healthcare services to clients of The Healing Place, Good Shepherd Center, LINC, and A Safe Place. Treatment will occur at the partner agencies' locations as well as enroll all eligible individuals as medical home patients at CFC, enabling them to receive care at our campus and get all required medications through its full-service pharmacy.



Point of Contact
John Devaney
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2023 Q4 Drawdown
\$400,000.00

Cape Fear Community College Foundation \$5,500,000.00

This grant supports Cape Fear Community College Foundation's (CFCC) aims to broaden its impact on high school students by discovering and connecting with individuals interested in advanced manufacturing and other industry sectors. The goal is to provide students with post-secondary education, career pathways, and apprenticeship opportunities. Participation in these programs can pave the way to secure local employment in high-demand fields with competitive wages.



Point of Contact
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2023 Q4 Drawdown
\$1,375,000.00



Communities in Schools (CIS) Of Cape Fear \$3,226,419.00

This grant supports CIS to expand Freedom School – a summer literacy program into six additional school sites and supports the effort to bring the Full-Service Community Schools (FSCS) model to New Hanover County.

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2023 Q4 Drawdown - \$1,196,381.00

DREAMS Center for Arts Education

\$795,774.00

2024 Q1 Drawdown - \$397,887.00



This grant supports efforts to continue providing high-quality programming and expand outreach, serving an even greater number of the community's most high-needs youth.



The grant will expand DREAMS visual arts apprenticeship program.

Point of Contact:

Emily Colin emily.colin@dreamswilmington.org

El Cuerpo/Christ Community Church

\$200,000.00

The grant supports El Cuerpo's comprehensive, long-term approach to expand and replicate the current tutoring model to serve additional schools. Over the next two years, the program will grow to include K-8th grade students, as well as continue to mentor future educators by providing guided teaching opportunities.

Point of Contact:

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2023 Q4 Drawdown - \$200,000.00

Spark Academy \$3,305,000.00

2024 Q1 Drawdown - \$1,101,666.67

This grant supports:

- + Compensation to skilled staff
- + Office expenses to manage administrative tasks
- + Occupancy costs to maintain a safe and conducive learning environment
- + Capital expenditures for building repair
- + Equipment maintenance and capital reserve

Additionally, a significant portion of the budget is allocated to subsidize financial aid for families in need and to invest in professional development to enhance the quality of education provided.

Point of Contact:

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MedNorth Health Center **\$2,000,000.00**

This grant supports the expansion of MedNorth Health Center, a Federally Qualified Health Center providing primary care services, without compromising operations. The expansion increases access to care by hiring more providers/staff and expanding services. Current services are:

- + Pediatrics
- + Family medicine
- + Obstetrics/gynecology
- + Family planning
- + Integrated behavioral health
- + Dentistry
- + Podiatry
- + Care management
- + Onsite pharmacy

Point of Contact: Althea Johnson
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2023 Q4 Drawdown - \$2,000,000.00

NourishNC **\$450,000.00**

This grant supports NourishNC's free mobile grocery truck called the Mobile MoM. It will initially focus on feeding children in:

- + Food deserts
- + High-need neighborhoods
- + CEP schools
- + Hot spots identified by NourishNC's partner network

Later, NourishNC will anchor the Mobile MoM at a New Hanover County Pre-K school for at least one year to end food insecurity at the school, and as a proof of concept to replicate at other schools.

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director@nourishnc.org
2023 Q4 Drawdown - \$450,000.00

Smart Start of New Hanover County **\$658,596.60**

This grant supports two family strengthening programs, Circle of Parents (a peer support group) and Kaleidoscope Play & Learn groups. Both are designed to help parents and other child caregivers to become better equipped to support their children's early learning and development.

Point of Contact: Jane Morrow jane.morrow@newhanoverkids.org
2023 Q4 Drawdown - \$219,532.20

Union Missionary Baptist Church (UMBC) **\$450,000.00**

This grant supports UMBC's After-School Program which is a Monday through Friday program that provides transportation from several area schools and is open until 10:00 p.m. allowing working families to maintain employment schedules. Funds will go toward the purchase of additional vans to transport students, playground equipment, computer equipment, staff, and additional training and professional development for educators.

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2023 Q4 Drawdown - \$450,000.00

YWCA Of Lower Cape Fear \$2,804,811.00

This grant supports increased access to families by providing affordable childcare, delivering a wide range of wrap-around services for children, transforming the lives of parents and children through the innovative Parents As Teachers model, empowering women and mothers to make informed financial decisions, and ultimately, contribute to building a stronger community by laying a solid foundation for our children and families. The expansion of programming and operational improvements is a response to the increasing demand for high-quality early childhood education and support services in our community.

Point of Contact: Velva Jenkins velva@ywca-lowercapefear.org
2023 Q4 Drawdown - \$934,937.00



YMCA of Southeastern North Carolina \$4,000,000.00

This grant supports the YMCA's expansion of its Midtown YMCA into a full-service facility to serve more preschool and elementary-aged students through childcare, swimming, and sports, and to offer additional exercise opportunities for youth and adults.

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2023 Responsive Grants

The New Hanover Community Endowment will distribute one-year, nonrenewable grants to the following organizations:

American Red Cross **\$38,000.00**

2024 Q1 Drawdown - \$38,000.00

This grant will allow American Red Cross of the Cape Fear Area of North Carolina to purchase a new community emergency vehicle to replace an older one in Wilmington. The new vehicle will be used to transport staff, volunteers, and equipment to and from mobile blood drives, bring collected blood to processing centers, test blood and deliver safe blood to patients in need.

Point of Contact: David Howell david.howell3@redcross.org

Blue Ribbon Commission Prevention of Youth Violence DBA Voyage **\$112,200.00**

2023 Q4 Drawdown - \$112,200.00

This grant will allow Voyage to expand programming focused on improving behavioral and educational outcomes, closing the achievement gap, providing wrap-around services, and implementing innovative techniques to support public K-8 education.

Point of Contact: Genna Wirth genna.wirth@voyagewilmington.org

Cape Fear Literacy Council

\$46,000.00

This grant will allow Cape Fear Literacy Council to hire a consultant to facilitate organizational design and change management. It will also support the pilot of a professional development workshop series.

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2024 Q1 Drawdown - \$46,000.00

Child Development Center Inc

\$65,500.00

This grant will allow the Child Development Center to support scholarships and tuition assistance for families for an 8-week summer program. This program provides a much-needed safe space for young learners of different abilities to continue their care in an inclusive setting designed to meet their needs.

Point of Contact: Heather Ratliff

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2024 Q1 Drawdown - \$65,500.00

Eden Village Of Wilmington **\$55,000.00**

This grant will allow Eden Village to procure and operate a generator for residents with limited income. The generator provides greater food security for the residents.

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2023 Q4 Drawdown - \$55,000.00

Elderhaus

\$75,000.00

- + This grant will allow Elderhaus to continue operating as the only Program of All Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) in New Hanover County.
- + Elderhaus will purchase equipment and a vehicle and provide professional development for their CNA staff and support additional overhead expenses.

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2023 Q4 Drawdown - \$75,000.00

Kids Making It, Inc.

\$103,420.00

- + This grant will allow Kids Making It to increase capacity and program reach.
- + The grant will fund a new 15-passenger van, additional programming staff, security cameras and software, carport for additional external programming space, privacy fence, and new mailbox.

Point of Contact: Kevin Blackburn
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2024 Q1 Drawdown - \$103,420.00

Legal Aid Of North Carolina, Inc.

\$100,000.00

This grant will allow Legal Aid's Wilmington office to fund Second Chance Wilmington, a criminal record expungement program and to expand into driver's license restoration.

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2023 Q4 Drawdown - \$100,000.00

Lower Cape Fear Hospice, Inc. DBA Lower Cape Fear Lifecare

\$50,000.00

This grant will allow Lower Cape Fear LifeCare (LCFLC) to perform numerous maintenance and improvement projects at their Wilmington Inpatient Care Center to preserve and maintain LCFLC's high standards of quality patient care, visitor safety, and comfort and solace for families.

Point of Contact: Samoane Ikard
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2023 Q4 Drawdown - \$50,000.00

Northside Food Cooperative

\$249,715.00

This grant will allow the Northside Food Cooperative to continue community engagement. The grant will fund the expansion of Frankie's Outdoor Market and Northside Community Dinners while also building staff capacity through wage support.

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2023 Q4 Drawdown - \$249,715.00

Seeds Of Healing Inc **\$140,267.00**

This grant will allow Seeds of Healing to expand the capacity of peer educators to engage clients with self-care, expanding program space for in-person services, and enabling proficient data collection, analysis, and dissemination of programmatic outcomes that measure impact and program milestones. The grant will support overhead costs to bring volunteers into staff roles and further leverage peer support work.

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2023 Q4 Drawdown - \$140,267.00

St Jude's Metropolitan Community Church **\$40,000.00**

This grant will allow St. Jude's to provide for the needs of those experiencing hunger, food insecurity, and lack of permanent housing through the Community Food Pantry, Lunches for the Homeless, and Breakfast and Showers programs.

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2023 Q4 Drawdown - \$40,000.00

The University Of North Carolina At Wilmington **\$87,000.00**

This grant will allow UNCW's MI CASA Mentoring Program to expand the diversity of tour locations, provide laptops to program mentees, secure spots in the Young Writers Camp, and organize a Transition Orientation Day and provide guidance for the first 30 days of higher education for MI CASA graduates attending college/university in the Fall 2024.

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2023 Q4 Drawdown - \$87,000.00

YWCA Of The Lower Cape Fear Inc **\$200,000.00**

This grant will allow the YWCA to continue operating as one of three year-round aquatics centers available to the public in New Hanover County. The grant will allow the YWCA to replace the equipment needed to convert their outdoor pool into an indoor facility, so they are able to continue operating for public use, teaching 2nd graders how to swim, and serving as the home for the New Hanover County School's Swim Team.

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2023 Q4 Drawdown - \$200,000.00

About the NHCE

The New Hanover Community Endowment was established from the sale of the County-owned New Hanover Regional Medical Center to Novant Health in 2020. From its sale, the New Hanover County Board of Commissioners invested nearly \$1.3 billion to form the endowment to benefit the community.



MISSION

To improve the health, education, safety, and economic opportunity of every person in our community.



VISION

To transform our community so all will thrive.



VALUES

Integrity, Transparency, Inclusivity, Courage, Collaboration, Accountability

