

## 2017 Grants

### **Blue Ribbon Mentor Advocate Program of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools Systems**

Blue Ribbon Mentor-Advocate is a comprehensive support program for students in the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools. They provide students with mentoring, tutoring, advocacy, enrichment, leadership training, and scholarship support services. They serve students with potential that is as yet undeveloped. Volunteers and generous grants make the program successful.

Blue Ribbon Mentor-Advocate  
750 S. Merritt Road  
Chapel Hill, NC 27516  
<http://blueribbonmentors.org/>

### **Book Harvest**

Book Harvest's mission is to provide books to and share the power of literacy with babies, children and families in need in central North Carolina. Having plenty of books at home helps children start kindergarten ready to learn, combat summer learning loss and helps children identify as readers. Book Babies puts Medicaid-eligible children on path to early literacy and school readiness, starting at birth. Once a newborn is enrolled in Book Babies, Book Harvest makes home visits, providing parents with literacy coaching and delivering 10 new books every 6 months over the next five years.

Book Harvest  
2501 University Drive  
Durham, NC 27707  
[www.bookharvestnc.org](http://www.bookharvestnc.org)

### **Boomerang Program**

Boomerang seeks to engage disconnected youth and their community by providing a supportive alternative environment for out of school time, offering resiliency-based training for professionals and other adults, and advocating for community change that has enduring benefits for all adolescents. This program works with short-term suspended middle and high school youth throughout Chapel Hill and Carrboro. They prioritize serving court-involved juveniles and substance-using students. In addition, they provide a community service site to high school youth who are involved in the adult court system.

The Boomerang Program  
825-A North Estes Drive  
Chapel Hill, NC 27514  
[www.ymcatriangle.org](http://www.ymcatriangle.org)

### **Boys & Girls Club of Wake County**

The mission is to enable all young people, especially those who need it the most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens. Boys & Girls Clubs offers a wide-range of After-School and summer programs for youth ages 6-18 that focus on three key critical outcomes: Healthy Lifestyles, Academic Success, and Good Character & Citizenship.

Boys & Girls Club of Wake County  
701 Raleigh Boulevard  
Raleigh, NC 27610  
[www.wakebgc.org](http://www.wakebgc.org)

### **Communities in Schools of Durham County**

Each local affiliate, including Communities in Schools of Durham, works to fulfill the same important mission: to surround students with a community of support, empowering them to stay in school and achieve in life. CIS of Durham does more than implement effective dropout prevention programs – they also work to bridge the gap between the needs of today’s young people and existing resources that can help meet those needs.

Communities in Schools of Durham  
3412 Westgate Drive, Suite 301  
Durham, NC 27707  
[www.cisdurham.org](http://www.cisdurham.org)

### **D3 Community Outreach, Inc.**

D3 Community Outreach is an organization of positive adults whom empower and encourage disconnected youth/young adults through academics, service, entrepreneurship and athletics to become leaders and good stewards of the community.

D3 Community Outreach  
P.O. Box 11837  
Durham, NC 27703  
[www.d3communityoutreach.org](http://www.d3communityoutreach.org)

### **Durham Nativity School**

Durham Nativity School (DNS) provides a positive learning environment for eligible boys in grades six through eight. This environment will support them in their personal, social, moral and intellectual development and position them to be successful at a college preparatory high school and through their college career. Offering an extended day, extended year program, the ultimate goal of DNS is to provide a multi-dimensional learning opportunity for its students so they will be inspired to develop the skills and critical thinking necessary to become educated leaders and role models within their communities.

Durham Nativity School  
P.O. Box 3537  
Durham, NC 27702  
[www.durhamnativity.org](http://www.durhamnativity.org)

### **Durham Literacy Center**

The mission of the Durham Literacy Center is to empower Durham County residents who want to improve their lives and the lives of their families by improving their literacy skills.

The Durham Literacy Center serves these youth, ages 16-24 years old, in its Youth Education Program (formerly known as the Teen Career Academy). The Youth Education Program (YEP) is a basic education and high school equivalency diploma program that provides individualized instruction to address each student's academic deficits and prepare him or her to pass the high school equivalency GED exam. In addition, YEP staff and volunteers work with students to identify career goals and take steps to plan for college, vocational training, and/or the workforce.

Durham Literacy Center  
1905 Chapel Hill Rd.  
Durham, NC 27707  
[www.durhamliteracy.org](http://www.durhamliteracy.org)

### **Durham's Partnership for Children**

Durham's Partnership for Children, in conjunction with Durham Public Schools, is working to develop and implement a dynamic Transition to Kindergarten (T2K) initiative. This project is designed to create a positive, informed, prepared and seamless transition for young children as they prepare for entry into kindergarten.

Durham's Partnership for Children  
1201 S. Briggs Avenue, Suite 210  
Durham, NC 27703  
[www.dpfc.net](http://www.dpfc.net)

### **East Durham Children's Initiative (EDCI)**

East Durham Children's Initiative (EDCI) creates a pipe line for children in East Durham from birth to college or career by providing a continuum of support for families and children. They are committed to partnering with the residents and other stakeholders in the community to ensure that all children in EDCI succeed – with the goal that every child finishes high school and is college or career ready.

East Durham Children's Initiative  
107 N. Driver Street, 3rd Floor  
Durham, NC 27703  
[www.edci.org](http://www.edci.org)

### **Emily Krzyzewski Family Life Center**

The Emily Krzyzewski Family Life Center's mission is to inspire economically disadvantaged students to dream big, strive for academic excellence, act with character and purpose, and reach their highest potential as citizen leaders. They believe that education is the key to unlocking opportunities, developing productive citizens, and eliminating poverty.

Emily Krzyzewski Family Life Center  
904 W. Chapel Hill Street  
Durham, NC 27701  
[www.emilyk.org](http://www.emilyk.org)

### **GiGi's Playhouse Raleigh**

GiGi's playhouse mission is to change the way the world views Down syndrome through national campaigns, educational programs, and by empowering individuals with Down syndrome, their families and the community. GiGi's Playhouse provides a literacy program that is one-on-one. The literacy program builds a foundation in sight word recognition, phonograms, vocabulary, comprehension and improved articulation.

GiGi's Playhouse Raleigh  
2887 Jones Franklin Road  
Raleigh, NC 27606  
[www.gigisplayhouse.org/raleigh](http://www.gigisplayhouse.org/raleigh)

### **Helps Education Fund**

Helps Education Fund (HEF) is a triangle area organization, connecting research with practice and engages teachers, parents and volunteers to improve student learning. HEF provides research-supported materials and services to all educators and parents absolutely free and promotes educational equity. HELPS focus is strengthening students' basic skills in reading in the early grades to empower students for academic, employment and economic success.

Helps Education Fund  
405 Carolina Circle  
Durham, NC 27707  
[www.helpseducationfund.org](http://www.helpseducationfund.org)

### **Kidznotes**

Kidznotes is a music for social change program that engages students pre-Kindergarten through the 12th grade in an intense, fully integrated, out-of-school musical program that includes instrumental instruction, choir, music theory, general music, orchestra, and band. Their classes are taught by Teaching Artists (TAs), professional musicians, and music teachers who are committed to teaching young students. The program operates 10 hours per week, 40 weeks a year, and in a 3-4 week Summer Camp.

Kidznotes  
BC Building  
423 Morris St.  
Durham, NC 27701  
[www.kidznotes.org](http://www.kidznotes.org)

**Minds Matter of NYC, Inc.**

Minds Matter transforms the lives of accomplished high school students from low-income families by broadening their dreams and preparing them for college success. They serve high school sophomores, juniors and seniors in New York City across all boroughs who come from low-income families with an average income of \$20,000.

Minds Matter of NYC, Inc.  
1120 Avenue of the Americas, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, NY 10036  
[www.mindsmatter.org](http://www.mindsmatter.org)

**Partners for Youth Opportunity**

Partners for Youth (PFY) is a year-round mentoring and summer job program for middle and high school students (ages 14-19) based in Southwest Central Durham. PFY is a uniquely comprehensive model which matches each participant with a team of four mentors. PFY strives to create long-term relationships and high quality enrichment activities that affect every aspect of their students' lives. Their goal is to support and motivate each student as they develop their aspirations for the future and the skills they will need to become successful, contributing members of their communities.

Partners for Youth Opportunity  
1309 Halley Street  
Durham, NC 27707  
[www.pyopportunity.org](http://www.pyopportunity.org)

**Raleigh Rescue Mission**

Since 1961, Raleigh Rescue Mission has offered hope and life-changing help to well over 750,000 homeless and hurting individuals. From the simplest prayer in their lobby, to moving a client into housing, they work to share the love of Christ in everything they do. Today they serve men and women battling life-controlling issues, women and children needing emergency shelter those who thirst in the summer and shiver in the winter, those who never had a chance and those who need a second chance.

Raleigh Rescue Mission  
314 E. Hargett Street  
Raleigh, NC 27601  
[www.raleighrescue.org](http://www.raleighrescue.org)

**Street Soccer**

The mission of Street Soccer USA (SSUSA) is to improve health, education, and employment outcomes for the most disadvantaged Americans by using sports to transfer the skills necessary so that they can achieve these outcomes for themselves. They also seek to raise awareness of the challenges of poverty in America so as a country they can achieve a more level playing field for

all. Morgan Creek Foundation supports their after school Street Soccer Life Skills program for low-income youth in Flatbush, Brooklyn. Participants attend the life skills program thrice weekly, receive academic support, and attend weekly outcome enhancing workshops including financial literacy, mentoring, and healthy living.

Street Soccer  
5 Hanover Square, 17<sup>th</sup> Fl.  
New York, NY 10004  
[www.streetsoccerusa.org](http://www.streetsoccerusa.org)

### **Student U**

The mission of Student U is to empower students in the Durham Public Schools to take ownership of their education by developing the academic and personal skills they need to realize their full potential in school and beyond. Each summer, students take four core classes in the morning and three electives in the afternoon with teachers who are students at Duke, UNC, NC Central, and NC State.

Student U  
3116 Academy Rd  
Durham, NC 27707  
[www.studentudurham.org/](http://www.studentudurham.org/)

### **The Hill Center**

The Hill Center aims to transform students with learning differences into confident, independent learners. They serve students in K-12 with learning differences and ADHD in their model school program. In addition to working with teachers and administrators in public and private schools through their best practices professional development programs, The Hill Center also trains and deploys Hill Center-trained tutors who provide specialized, intensive remediation for students who struggle with learning in after school programs.

The Hill Center  
3200 Pickett Road  
Durham, NC 27705  
[www.hillcenter.org](http://www.hillcenter.org)

### **Triangle Literacy Council**

The Triangle Literacy Council improves the lives of adults, youth and families by teaching basic literacy and life skills for economic and social success. They have three main programs that provide free literacy services to varying age groups and populations. The Juvenile Literacy Center serves Wake County delinquent juveniles, ages 10 to 17, referred to the program by the Juvenile Court. The Adult Literacy Program serves adult native English speakers and ESL students who need help with their reading and writing skills. The Family Literacy Program works with family caregivers with children under the age of 5 whose first language is not English.

Triangle Literacy Council  
916 West Morgan Street  
Raleigh, NC 27603  
<http://www.triangleliteracy.org/>

**University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Carolina Student Transfer Excellence Program (C-Step)**

The Carolina Student Transfer Excellence Program helps low-income, qualified community college students gain access into and graduate successfully from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. The program not only promotes access, it strives to ensure the success of each student during their time at the community college through to graduation from the University.

Office of Undergraduate Admissions  
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
Campus Box 2200 Jackson Hall  
Chapel Hill, NC 27599-2200

<http://admissions.unc.edu/apply/transfer-students/carolina-student-transfer-excellence-program-c-step/>

**Volunteers for Youth**

Volunteers for Youth provides services to Orange County youth to integrate them into the community in ways that help them make responsible choices and recognize that they have a stake in their future. The focus of Volunteers for Youth is delinquency prevention. Through the mentoring program, community service program and teen court program, Volunteers for Youth works to provide young people with the tools to become responsible adults.

Volunteers for Youth, Inc.  
205 Lloyd St, Suite 103  
Carrboro, NC 27510

[www.volunteersforyouth.org](http://www.volunteersforyouth.org)

**Wade Edwards Foundation (Hi Tech Teens)**

The mission of the Wade Edwards Foundation and Learning Lab (WELL) is to provide the student community with opportunities for achievement, enrichment and service in preparation for personal and academic success. In partnership with Women in Computer Science (WiCS) at NC State University, this six-week, recurring program allows interested students to dive into computer science with a hands-on approach. Hi Tech Teens, a WELL program, is not just another opportunity for teens to get screen time. It is a deliberate opportunity for them to understand and explore what is behind the screen. Students work with mentors – young, successful students at NCSU and many currently working in the field of Computer Science – to complete project-based learning activities focused on designing, coding, and building websites, games and applications.

In addition, Hi Tech Teens specifically recruits girls and minorities as participants to change the trajectory of computer science away from being a white, male-dominated career field. By learning the basics of computer programming and practicing presentation skills, these students are opening up options to explore a wealth of career opportunities in computer science and technology.

Wade Edwards Foundation  
714 Saint Mary's Street  
Raleigh, NC 27605  
[www.wade.org](http://www.wade.org)

**Wee Care Children's Enrichment Program**

Wee Care Children's Enrichment Program provides a positive, loving and enriched preschool environment, free of charge, which fosters the social, emotional, physical and cognitive growth of children who are socially and/or economically at risk.

Wee Care Children's Enrichment Program  
P.O. Box 30413  
Raleigh, NC 27622-0413  
[www.weecareinc.org](http://www.weecareinc.org)

**YMCA of the Triangle – member branch Chapel Hill-Carrboro YMCA**

Y Learning is the YMCA of the Triangle's signature afterschool tutorial program for low-income children struggling academically. Students meet in small groups (1:7 tutor: student ratio) to address remedial math and literacy needs as well as focus on completing their homework. A typical Y Learning program runs for 31 weeks of the 36 week academic school year. Program participants will enjoy a snack, individualized tutoring and age-appropriate activities for a total program time of 2.5 – 3 hours per day.

YMCA of the Triangle  
980 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd  
Chapel Hill, NC 27514  
[www.ymcatriangle.org/chapel-hill-carrboro-ymca](http://www.ymcatriangle.org/chapel-hill-carrboro-ymca)