

Charlotte Mecklenburg Community Foundation Opens Children, Youth and Young Adult Grants Cycle

CHARLOTTE, NC – The [Charlotte Mecklenburg Community Foundation](#) – the grantmaking arm of Foundation For The Carolinas – recently opened its Family Stability grants cycle. Applications will be accepted from eligible 501(c)3 publicly supported charities through July 12 at noon.

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The Foundation’s investment areas for the Family Stability grant cycle originate from [the Charlotte Mecklenburg Opportunity Task Force Report](#). This grant cycle is dedicated to fostering a landscape of economic opportunity for all families in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina. Specific investment areas are outlined below and should be reflected in grant applications.

Family Formation

Access to reproductive health information and care play an important role in the stability of a family. The Foundation seeks proposals that will:

- Ensure young people have the necessary information about and resources for reproductive health care so they can plan for pregnancy when they are ready to raise a child.
- Improve birth outcomes of all children and their mothers.

Financial Security

A lack of sufficient income to afford necessities can be destabilizing and stressful for families. The Foundation seeks proposals that will help more families get on and stay on a path to living-wage income and asset building.

Innovative Housing Solutions

Families challenged to find and keep affordable housing are often forced to move to challenging environments for their children. The Foundation seeks proposals that will stabilize working families, prevent family homelessness, and minimize disruption to children from housing instability.

Parenting Education, Family Support, and Engagement

Multiple factors impact family stability and can compound stressful living environments for families. The Foundation seeks proposals that will:

- Connect families to community resources and support.
- Develop efforts focused on addressing mental health issues and/or reducing mental health impacts of living in low-opportunity environments.
- Support a community where families are not destabilized by interactions with the criminal justice system.

To apply – or for complete criteria – please visit the [Online Grants Center](#) and select “Charlotte Mecklenburg Community Foundation” in the Grant Program Name field. Visit www.charmeck-cf.org for a complete list of grants. For more information about the Family Stability grants program, contact Nicole Fote at nfote@fftc.org or 704.973.4559.

About Foundation For The Carolinas

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