

GRANTS AWARDED IN 2006

Danville Community College Educational Foundation, Inc.

\$9,700,000

Health Sciences Center

Danville Regional Foundation awarded \$9.7 million to Danville Community College Educational Foundation, Inc. in July 2006 to build a Health Sciences Center. The grant will pay for site development, construction, and equipment for a 27,000 square foot building at South Main Street and Kemper Road on the Danville campus. The facility will enable DCC to expand its allied health programs, begin new programs, and establish a dental clinic for the community.

Healthcare is the single greatest area of increased job opportunities locally. The new facility will enhance the health, education, and well-being of the region. The building will permit expanded health careers and provide improved healthcare services for all citizens as well as help meet the region's need for trained medical professionals.

The Health Sciences Center will house existing courses in Practical Nursing, Medical Lab Technology, Pharmacy Technician, and Dental Hygiene and allow the addition of new programs such as Registered Nursing, Phlebotomy, and Radiology. The facility will also provide a Wellness Center to promote the mission of the college's health education programs.

The two-story building will aesthetically represent a state-of-the-art facility housing a number of emerging programs in support of both educational and training needs. Creation of a new Health Sciences Center will facilitate DCC's initiative as an entrepreneurial community college. These initiatives include:

- Expanding Access
- Strengthening the Workforce
- Assisting with Economic Development
- Partnering in Community Development.

The Health Sciences Center will address the region's immediate and long-term health needs and support DCC's commitment to advancing high-quality education and training.

Chatham Cares, Inc.

\$3,000,000

Chatham Community Center

Danville Regional Foundation awarded a \$3 million grant to Chatham Cares, Inc. in July 2006 to construct the Chatham Community Center. The building will create positive change in the community by providing a public gathering place for all persons. Programs will be offered that provide a positive and sustained impact on the health, education, and welfare of the citizens of Pittsylvania County. The Center will engage the community, assist in educational attainment, provide opportunities for health and

wellness programming, and provide an economic benefit by replacing an abandoned, blighted building with a new, first- quality, fully functioning community center.

The community center vision was born out of awareness that no spaces in the Chatham area are available to the public on a regular and consistent basis. Daily, there is an increasing need for a gathering place for boys and girls, senior adults, families, and civic and social groups.

The Community Center will provide programming beneficial to a diverse population. A major programming component will be the Chatham Boys and Girls Club, currently meeting at Chatham Baptist Church. The club, founded in December 2005, currently has over 100 boys and girls in its after-school and summer programs. The Boys and Girls Club provides an after-school snack program, a summer lunch program, personal tutoring, character-development training, experiences in the arts, a computer lab, and recreational activities. Diverse membership represents a cross-section of Pittsylvania County's residents. Additional goals for the Center include programming for senior adults and teens along with health screenings, and family-friendly programs.

Intended outcomes for the Community Center include enhancing the community's quality of life, providing a place for the community to gather for a variety of experiences, and giving all persons a public place for recreation, learning, and community building.

Caswell County, NC

\$2,000,000

Caswell County Senior Center

Danville Regional Foundation awarded a \$2 million grant to Caswell County, NC, in July 2006 for construction of a facility to serve as the Caswell County Senior Center. The new Senior Center will provide fitness services and opportunities to Caswell County's ever-growing aged population, enhance their health and well-being, allow members of this population to remain in their homes near their families and allow them to continue to be a part of Caswell County's economic growth and development. The facility will contain approximately 10,000 square feet which will include the following areas: kitchen and dining, aerobics/exercise room, exercise equipment room, multi-purpose room with stage, computer lab, library/educational resource room, classrooms, offices, lobby and waiting area, as well as restrooms, storage, and janitorial rooms. Outside activity space for recreational activities will be adjacent to the building.

The existing Senior Center with approximately 4,000 square feet is insufficient to provide a full range of senior activities. The Center began operation in 2001, quickly becoming a vital, growing asset to the community. The Caswell Senior Center, dedicated to enriching the lives of senior adults, promotes health and well-being, supports the independence of senior adults, and encourages seniors' involvement in special interest, individual, and group activities. The Center offers health and fitness

programs, educational events, computer access, arts and crafts, senior games, caregiver support, and Golden Friends, which provides group meals and activities.

Danville-Pittsylvania County Regional Industrial Facility Authority \$1,745,000
Upfit of Research Building at Institute for Advanced Learning and Research

In July 2006, Danville Regional Foundation awarded a grant to the Danville-Pittsylvania County Regional Industrial Facility Authority, a joint partnership of the City and County, to foster the development of the area's economy. Funds will be used for up-fitting the Research Addition's unfinished laboratory wing and research space to increase research and development activity in the region.

The Research Addition's 36,000 square feet will accommodate research laboratories, leased spaces, and offices. Funding is needed for capital improvements for the current shell building to create laboratories and office space for faculty, technicians, graduate students, the research administrative office and support services.

Community Foundation of the Dan River Region (CFDRR) \$1,100,000
Capacity Building - \$100,000

In November 2006, the Danville Regional Foundation awarded a one-time capacity building grant in the amount of \$100,000 to the Community Foundation of the Dan River Region. Funds will be used to assist in hiring additional personnel to manage the grant application process, provide oversight for the grants, purchase any necessary equipment and software, and facilitate strategic planning and marketing efforts.

Danville Regional Foundation Fund - \$1,000,000

At the same time, the Danville Regional Foundation awarded \$1,000,000 to the Community Foundation of the Dan River Region to establish the Danville Regional Foundation Fund. The fund, administered by the Community Foundation of the Dan River Region, awards grants to organizations in the City of Danville and Pittsylvania County (VA) and Caswell County (NC). Fifty percent of the fund is designated for Healthcare/Human Services with the remaining fifty percent for Emergency Relief, Cultural Development, Education, and Youth and Families. The fund responds to immediate needs of the community and provides "charitable relief," which is one of the four traditions of philanthropy or ways in which DRF can invest resources.