

FOUNDATION AWARDS \$1,285,745 IN RESPONSIVE GRANTS

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The J. Marion Sims Foundation, Inc. has made awards totaling \$1,286,015 to 13 different community organizations in a wide range of areas in its Responsive Grants Program.

“These grants were made for diverse purposes, all tied to individual and overall community health,” said foundation president James T. Morton. “Approved grants include projects and programs addressing health, recreation, safety, and crisis assistance, among others.”

The foundation awarded grants to the following organizations:

American Heart Association, \$25,000 for its “*CPR Anytime*” project;

American Red Cross, \$30,000 for its “*Disaster Services and Disaster Preparedness/Readiness*” program;

Catawba Care Coalition, \$75,000 for its “*AIDS Free Generation Project*,”

Christian Services, \$54,000 for its “*Food Pantry*” program;

Educational Foundation of USC Lancaster, \$200,000 for its “*USC Lancaster Nursing Simulation Lab*,”

HOPE, \$265,962 for its “*A New Day of HOPE*” project;

Kershaw Community Park Council, \$204,957 for its “*Outdoor Education and Exercise Activity for Southern Lancaster County*” project;

Keystone, \$50,000 for its “*Lancaster County Detoxification and Bridging Program*,”

Lancaster County Parks and Recreation Department, \$126,000 for its “*Field Lighting Completion and Renovations Project at Springdale Recreation Complex*” project;

Lancaster County School District, \$55,000 for its “*Swimming and Water Safety*” program;

Lancaster Fatherhood Project, \$131,525 for its “*Reconnecting Low-Income Fathers through Health Access and Responsible Fatherhood*” program;

The Children’s Council, \$57,161 for its “*Baby Basics*” program;

Winthrop University, \$11,410 for its “*Non-Profit Management Certification Program*.”

The J. Marion Sims Foundation supports programs of prevention and education that enhance health and wellness in Lancaster County, South Carolina, and the communities of Great Falls and Fort Lawn. Since its inception in 1995, the foundation has awarded more than \$45 million in grants to nonprofit and governmental agencies for the benefit of citizens in these communities. Responsive grant application deadlines are April 15 and October 15.