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## Grant from SECU Foundation to Help Non-Profit Expand Services for Onslow County Families

**Raleigh, N.C.** – SECU Foundation recently awarded a \$40,000 Mission Development Grant to a local Jacksonville non-profit – One Place, formerly known as Onslow County Partnership for Children. The organization works with community and government groups to improve the lives of children and families by connecting them with high-quality resources for child care, early education, and child abuse prevention and intervention. One Place will use the grant to increase organizational capacity for the development of capital campaign strategies, rebranding, and website redesign to help achieve long-range goals of expanding mental health services for children and building a new facility for their permanent home.



L to R: Dawn Rochelle-One Place Chief Executive Officer receives check from Jama Campbell-SECU Foundation Executive Director.

One Place has been a dedicated advocate for children and families in Onslow County and surrounding areas for more than two decades, working to address the problems affecting children in the community. According to the non-profit, over 1,900 children in the county are assessed for abuse and neglect each year. The proposed new facility will provide One Place with the additional space to house all programs and services and the ability to perform on-site medical and forensic interviews for victims of physical and sexual abuse.



Jo Anne Sanford

“This organization has spent years building a network of community support for children and families in distress through the programs and services they provide,” noted Jo Anne Sanford, SECU Foundation Board Chair. “One Place has clearly identified the need for expanded services and the additional space to continue their important work. We believe that the Foundation grant will help them move forward to strengthen their organization and make their goals a reality.”

“As we step into our 23<sup>rd</sup> year of connecting children and families to resources, our new name and rebranding process has been energizing,” said Dawn Rochelle, Chief Executive Officer of One Place. “Knowing that families search for the One Place that can give answers when they have a need for their child leads us forward in continued development of programs that create hope, because children are no small matter.”



Dawn Rochelle

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