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SECU Foundation Grant Supports Expansion of Health and Wellness Programs for Residents of North Carolina's High Country

WILKESBORO, N.C. – [SECU Foundation](#) has awarded [The Health Foundation](#) a \$40,000 grant that will help build capacity and expand programs and services to improve access to healthcare and promote the well-being of residents in the North Carolina High Country region.

“The Health Foundation is doing a tremendous amount of good through collaborative efforts with local non-profits and other organizations to address issues such as food insecurity and access to care,” said Kim Hollifield, SECU regional senior vice president. “We hope that this grant will provide them with the momentum to move their vision forward in an even greater way to benefit North Carolinians in the High Country region.”



Holding check, left to right: Jennifer Wages, assistant director, The Health Foundation; Heather Murphy, executive director, The Health Foundation; Regina Billings, SECU North Wilkesboro advisory board member; Kim Hollifield, SECU regional senior vice president.

“We have a wonderful opportunity to improve the health and well-being of children in our five-county area, thanks to the support of the SECU Foundation,” said Heather Murphy, executive director of The Health Foundation. “We believe every child and adult deserves to be healthy, safe, and able to thrive. Making sure the resources and systems exist and are aligned to ensure programs and services meet those goals is essential to moving the dial on health outcomes. This grant gives us the opportunity to explore our assets and areas of opportunity.”

About SECU and SECU Foundation

A not-for-profit financial cooperative owned by its members, SECU has been providing employees of the state of North Carolina and their families with consumer financial services for over 85 years. SECU is the second largest credit union in the United States with \$53 billion in assets. It serves over 2.7 million members through 274 branch offices, over 1,100 ATMs, 24/7 Member Services via phone, www.ncsecu.org, and a Mobile App. The SECU Foundation, a 501(c)(3) charitable organization funded by the contributions of SECU members, promotes local community development in North Carolina primarily through high-impact projects in the areas of housing, education, healthcare, and human services. Since 2004, [SECU Foundation](#) has made a collective financial commitment of over \$235 million for initiatives to benefit North Carolinians statewide.