

The Bayer USA Foundation Awards More Than \$70,000 To North Carolina Nonprofits



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RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, N.C. – Bayer CropScience has announced that the Bayer USA Foundation has awarded more than \$70,000 to North Carolina nonprofit organizations, including the Boys & Girls Clubs of Wake County, Dress for Success Triangle NC, John Avery Boys & Girls Club of Durham, Keep NC Beautiful, Lucy Daniels Center, Make-A-Wish Eastern North Carolina, North Carolina Theatre, The Queen's Foundation, Inc., Shepherd's Table Soup Kitchen and Wake Education Partnership. These gifts are part of the Bayer USA Foundation's nearly \$1.5 million in grants to nonprofits nationwide for the first half of 2013.

The grants support STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) education as well as other social service and community development initiatives in several of Bayer's major business communities in the U.S.

The Bayer USA Foundation is an endowed 501(c)(3) entity with a programmatic focus on education and workforce development, and environment and sustainability. The foundation aligns its funding with Bayer AG's global giving strategy for the promotion of science and society. Nearly \$500,000 of the \$1.5 million is designated for new grants, while more than \$1 million of the foundation's giving is for ongoing multi-year commitments.

The Foundation's geographic focus areas include: Raleigh-Durham, N.C.; Baytown/Houston, Texas; Berkeley/Northern Calif.; Kansas City, Mo.; Northern N.J.; Pittsburgh, Pa; and Shawnee, Kan.

In addition to providing support to these grant recipients as part of its \$1.5 million in national strategic grants in 2013, the Bayer USA Foundation is also supporting several other local nonprofits this year, including

Passage Home, a nonprofit organization alleviating poverty and homelessness, and strengthening families and communities in Wake County, the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina, and the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics in Durham, N.C.