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A message from the Board Chair & the Executive Director

As a new private foundation (effective July 1, 2022), our initial year of operation was filled with many firsts for the Wellspring Foundation of Southwest Virginia. We are thrilled to share with you what we accomplished this year as well as recognize the partnerships and projects we supported in this annual report.

List of firsts

- First Grant to Appalachian Highlands Community Dental Center (August 2022)
- Community Health Needs Assessment (July October 2022)
- Strategic Plan (October December 2022)
- First Formal Grant Cycle Opens (January 2023)
- First Formal Grant Commitments Made (June 2023)

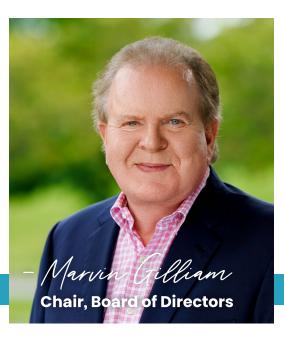
At the conclusion of our initial grant cycle, we are pleased to report that we committed funds to 13 different projects totaling more than \$7 million dollars. These projects spread their collective impact across our service region which is comprised of the Virginia counties of Washington, Grayson, Russell and Smyth. The projects also touched one or more of our five areas of interest which are health, children & families, workforce development, education and economic development.

We learned that many challenges facing our region are rooted in poverty, poor physical and mental health, addiction, lack of universal access to essential healthcare, population decline and economic challenges. We realize no one can tackle these issues alone, and that's why we're here to help. Our operating model emphasizes convening people and facilitating discussions to address regional issues.

We are grateful to have begun the process of partnering with organizations throughout our four-county service area by providing much-needed resources that will enable them to enhance the health and wellbeing of residents in their respective communities. As we move ahead, we look forward to announcing collaborative efforts that will have a lasting, transformative impact on our region.

Sincerely,

Marvin Gilliam, Chair of the Board of Directors Sean McMurray, Executive Director





About Us

The Wellspring Foundation of Southwest Virginia was created in late 2021 following the sale of the Foundation's minority ownership stake in Johnston Memorial Hospital (JMH). That sale established Wellspring Foundation as a local, independent private foundation focused on serving the needs of the Virginia residents of Washington, Grayson, Russell and Smyth counties.

The Wellspring Foundation humbly bears the responsibility to care for the funds we've been entrusted to steward. Our mission is to ensure the projects we support and the partnerships we cultivate will have a lasting impact on our region and will promote a healthy and thriving Southwest Virginia for generations to come.

Our Vision

Leveraging collaborative partnerships to promote a healthy, thriving region.

Our Mission

To enhance the health and wellbeing for the Virginia residents of Washington, Grayson, Russell and Smyth counties by cultivating goal-oriented partnerships.

Our Values



Commitment



Compassion



Integrity



Stewardship



Transparency

Service Area & Areas of Interest

Our operating model will emphasize convening people and facilitating discussions to address regional issues. We will accomplish this by:

- Partnering to create systems that support growth and achieve sustainable impact
- Catalyzing new initiatives, programs and projects that fill gaps in our service area
- Grantmaking to non-profit organizations with missions focused on addressing challenges of the communities we serve

2 Grant Opportunities

HOPE Grant

Helping Others Pursue Excellence

IMPACT Grant

Investing in Meaningful Projects Advancing Community Transformation We have completed a community health needs assessment and strategic plan that formed our five areas of interest which include:



Russell

Smyth

Washington

Grayson

Board of Directors

Like you, we are proud to call Southwest Virginia home, which also means we are keenly aware of the challenges rural areas like ours face. Improving the health and wellbeing of our region is complex and requires collaboration among those who live, work and serve in these counties. We seek to address these challenges at their roots, supporting others in ways that will create the maximum impact for our communities.



Staff

Like the Board of Directors, the staff at Wellspring Foundation of Southwest Virginia are dedicated to our mission and the people we serve. We look forward to partnering with local and regional organizations as they work to address the complex issues impacting our communities.







SUSAN ABEL
DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS







FY23 Grant Commitments

Grants Impacting Grayson County

- Dental Clinic Expansion **Appalachian Highlands Community Dental Center** www.appalachianhighlandsdental.com
- Mended Women Lifestyle Recovery **Fairview Housing Management Corporation** www.fairviewhousing.org
- **New River Connected Grayson County, VA** www.graysoncountyva.com
- **Shared Services Alliance United Way of Southwest Virginia** www.unitedwayswva.org
- Regional Workforce Development and Childcare Center **United Way of Southwest Virginia** www.unitedwayswva.org
- Advanced Technology and Workforce Development Center Virginia Highlands Community College www.vhcc.edu
- REACH Program Pediatric Mental Health Training for Virginia Primary Care Providers Virginia Mental Health Access Program (VMAP)

www.vmap.org

- **Total Impact in Grayson County** Health Children & Families
- \$551,144 Workforce Development

Education

Population: 15,343 Economic Development

Grants Impacting Russell County

- **Dental Clinic Expansion Appalachian Highlands Community Dental Center** www.appalachianhighlandsdental.com
- Building Transformative Relationships to Shape Tomorrow's Communities Communities In Schools of Appalachian Highlands www.cisofah.org
- Mended Women Lifestyle Recovery **Fairview Housing Management Corporation** www.fairviewhousing.org
- Dante Steam Building Restoration Project and Bernie Williams Workforce Center

Russell County, VA www.russellcountyva.us

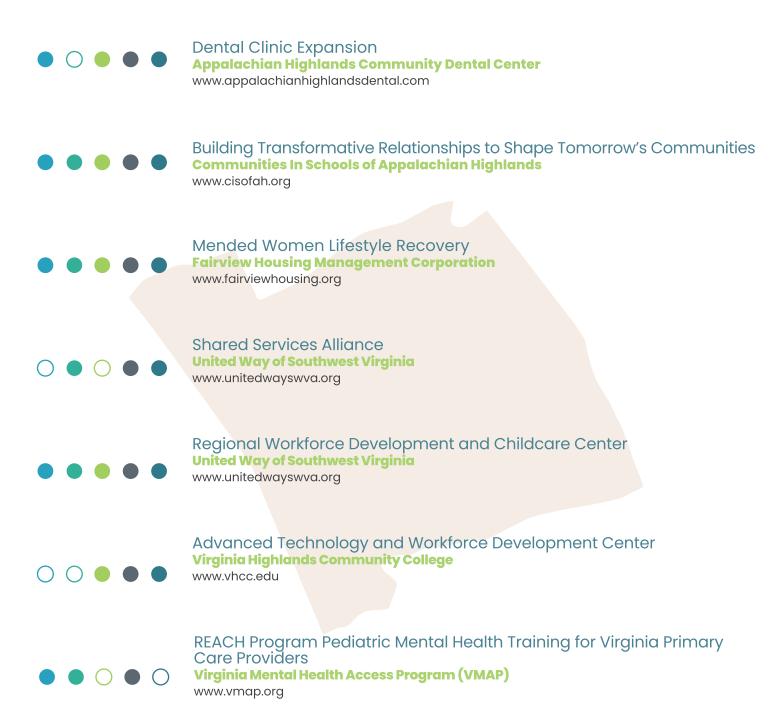
- **Shared Services Alliance United Way of Southwest Virginia** www.unitedwayswva.org
- Regional Workforce Development and Childcare Center **United Way of Southwest Virginia** www.unitedwayswva.org
- Advanced Technology and Workforce Development Center Virginia Highlands Community College www.vhcc.edu
- REACH Program Pediatric Mental Health Training for Virginia Primary Care Providers Virginia Mental Health Access Program (VMAP) www.vmap.org
- Health
- Children & Families
- Workforce Development
- Education
- Economic Development

Total Impact in Russell County

\$1,475,213

Population: 25,448

Grants Impacting Smyth County



- Health
- Children & Families
- Workforce Development
- Education
- Economic Development

Total Impact in Smyth County

\$1,427,248

Population: 29,449

Grants Impacting Washington County

- Great Knobs Trail System

 Abingdon Cycling, Inc.

 www.abingdoncycling.org
- Dental Clinic Expansion

 Appalachian Highlands Community Dental Center

 www.appalachianhighlandsdental.com
- Building Transformative Relationships to Shape Tomorrow's Communities

 Communities In Schools of Appalachian Highlands

 www.cisofah.org
- Supporting Children, Families, Individuals with Disabilities through DePaul's Essential Services

 DePaul Community Resources

 www.depaulcr.org
- Mended Women Lifestyle Recovery
 Fairview Housing Management Corporation
 www.fairviewhousing.org
- Washington County, VA Isaiah 117 House Isaiah 117 House www.isaiah117house.com
- Shared Services Alliance
 United Way of Southwest Virginia
 www.unitedwayswva.org
- Regional Workforce Development and Childcare Center United Way of Southwest Virginia www.unitedwayswva.org
- Advanced Technology and Workforce Development Center

 Virginia Highlands Community College

 www.vhcc.edu
- REACH Program Pediatric Mental Health Training for Virginia Primary
 Care Providers
 Virginia Mental Health Access Program (VMAP)
 www.vmap.org
- Mendota Community Center

 Washington County, VA

 www.washcova.com

Children & Families

Education

Workforce Development

Economic Development

● Health Total Impact in Washington County

\$3,547,500

Population: 53,958



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