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## United Way Receives \$25,000 Grant From North Carolina GlaxoSmithKline Foundation

**Greensboro, NC (TBD)** – United Way of Greater Greensboro (UWGG) has been awarded a \$25,000 North Carolina GlaxoSmithKline Foundation Ribbon of Hope grant to support UWGG's Family Success Center.

The NC GlaxoSmithKline Foundation grant will allow United Way to increase the capacity of the Family Success Center and expand the educational services provided to low-income families.

Funding will be used to:

- increase the number of GED preparation classes provided by funding additional GED class instructor hours
- provide books and study materials for all Family Success Center students working to obtain their GED
- subsidize the cost of the test for students
- provide tutoring for students with English as a second language or who start the program with low literacy skills.

“We are so grateful for the generous support of the NC GlaxoSmithKline Foundation,” says Michelle Gethers-Clark, CEO UWGG. “The Ribbon of Hope grant will have a direct impact on local families and will help us provide them with the support and hope they need to be successful.”

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### About the North Carolina GlaxoSmithKline Foundation

The North Carolina GlaxoSmithKline Foundation is an independent self-funding 501(c)3 nonprofit organization supporting activities that help meet the educational and health needs of today's society and future generations. Since its creation in 1986, the foundation has granted \$71.0 million to support North Carolina projects and programs that emphasize the understanding and application of science, health and education at all academic and professional levels. Visit us at [NCGSKFoundation.org](http://NCGSKFoundation.org).

### About Family Success Center

The Family Success Center is a community collaboration to empower families to achieve their goals through job skills training and education. The program is focused on helping individuals enter a pathway toward becoming self-sufficient and successful. The program offers families services they need to meet the needs of each family member. The program helps people achieve goals by connecting them with training, resources and supports in a single location, to reduce barriers and increase opportunity for success.

**LIVE UNITED: United Way of Greater Greensboro** is creating partnerships that reduce poverty in greater Greensboro. We are leading long-term solutions that meet the unique needs of ENTIRE families. We bring together dynamic and caring professionals and volunteers who teach, coach and inspire the 57,000 people in our community, struggling to obtain basic needs. The federal government defines poverty as family of four earning \$24,300 per year. With so many of our neighbors struggling to meet basic needs, United Way believes poverty must be addressed so that our community can thrive. [www.unitedwaygso.org](http://www.unitedwaygso.org)