

WELCOME TO THE DUKE ENDOWMENT



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Charlotte, North Carolina 28202

Based in Charlotte and established in 1924 by James B. Duke, The Duke Endowment is a private foundation that strengthens communities in North Carolina and South Carolina by nurturing children, promoting health, educating minds and enriching spirits.

James B. Duke
THE DUKE ENDOWMENT



Grounded in community

In the summer of 2014, we moved our headquarters to the Dilworth community near downtown Charlotte. After leasing in corporate settings for many years, this is our first standalone home. Two levels of underground parking help us conserve land and protect the character of the neighborhood.

Architecture

Designers selected materials that reflect our long-term legacy in the Carolinas. A three-inch thick limestone exterior veneer, natural wood and stone are found throughout the building.



Space to collaborate

Today's philanthropy takes place in an interconnected world, so our facility is designed to maximize collaboration and connection. The first floor is devoted to meeting space for Endowment staff, Trustees and visitors. Floors two and three provide office space for our staff.

Landscaping

Designers selected native or adaptive plants that require 79 percent less water than turf and shrubs. The design includes two species of plants from Duke Farms, Mr. Duke's estate in New Jersey.



Ties to history

Water, and harnessing its power, is central to the story of James B. Duke. In front of our entrance, a fountain pays homage to this legacy. The courtyard statue of Mr. Duke is an exact replica of the one standing outside Duke University Chapel.

Taking the long view

As the first headquarters owned by the Endowment, this facility provides a place to carry out our mission in perpetuity as directed by our founder. Our building is designed to be environmentally sustainable, with locally sourced materials, recycled content, a vegetative roof and high-efficiency features. It is LEED certified by the U.S. Green Building Council.



BUILDING BY THE NUMBERS

46,000-square-foot building on 1.8 acres

150,000 hours to construct by 60 local companies and 725+ local people

6,140-square-foot green roof planted with sedum and northern reed grass

20 percent recycled content

21 percent less energy use than conventional building equivalent

8-foot-tall bronze replica of original James B. Duke statue at Duke University