Working to help the people and build the communities of North Carolina and South Carolina by nurturing children, promoting health, educating minds and enriching spirits, since 1924.
CHILD & FAMILY WELL-BEING
All children deserve to grow up safe from maltreatment, supported by nurturing families and caring adults. We are dedicated to working collaboratively with nonprofits and the child welfare system to ensure children in the Carolinas live successful lives.

$15,946,855
distributed

$20,065,787
newly approved

HEALTH CARE
Maintaining good health over time is dependent on a person’s ability to lead a healthy lifestyle and access essential health care services. We help to accelerate innovation that advances individual and community health.

$62,144,476
distributed

$41,037,308
newly approved

HIGHER EDUCATION
Advancing high-value education for students requires understanding school priorities and helping campuses learn from each other as they contribute to the higher education sector. We focus our support on Davidson College, Duke University, Furman University and Johnson C. Smith University, all four of which were named beneficiaries in the Trust Indenture.

$45,071,450
distributed

$97,265,000
newly approved
RURAL CHURCH
Preserving the pivotal role churches play in rural communities strengthens those areas. We support United Methodist clergy and congregations — ensuring they have the tools they need to walk faithfully together.

ADDITIONAL FOCUS
Through our strategic emphasis on early childhood and other emerging issues, we seek to continuously adapt to meet today’s challenges, even as we honor our founder’s mandate.

TOTAL GRANTMAKING
In 2021, The Duke Endowment approved $188.4 million in new grants, some of which will be paid in future years. More than $174.9 million was distributed through 480 grants, some of which were approved in previous years.
DISTRIBUTED OVER

$4.3B

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