



## The Relatives receives grant from Bank of America to help support youth and young adults in crisis

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Charlotte, NC, May 28, 2020 – The Relatives, a local nonprofit organization dedicated to keeping kids safe and preparing youth and young adults to be healthy, productive, engaged members of the community, has received a grant from Bank of America.

The Relatives' programs include the Youth Crisis Center for runaway and homeless youth in Dilworth, On Ramp resource center for young adults in uptown Charlotte, and the scattered site housing program for homeless young people. Over its 45-year history, The Relatives is unmatched in implementing solutions for the countless challenges that confront the youth they serve. With programs that are proven to give relief in place of despair, acceptance in place of rejection and empowerment in place of hopelessness, The Relatives is instrumental in creating positive community impact. This includes helping individuals acquire housing, find and maintain employment, achieve educational goals, and develop the skills to live independently, thus improving economic mobility.

The \$25,000 grant will support the mission of The Relatives and their ability to provide services to youth and young people in crisis.

"Our goal for each young person we serve is for them to grasp and embrace their place in the world as a contributing member of society." says Executive Director, Trish Hobson. "We appreciate Bank of America's generous award and continued support of the community."

The grant is part of Bank of America's philanthropic giving efforts in local communities. Awardees were selected for their commitment to addressing basic needs and workforce development for individuals and families, in particular during the coronavirus pandemic.

"The Relatives is a truly unique organization in our community – no other nonprofit provides the services they do," said Bank of America Charlotte Market President Charles Bowman. "Without The Relatives, young people in crisis in this city wouldn't have a place to go. We're grateful for the critical support they provide."

## **About The Relatives**

The Relatives is a system of resources that helps children and youth find shelter and support. The Relatives programs include: Youth Crisis Center, On Ramp Resource Center, and Housing. The Relatives serves as the Safe Place agency for Mecklenburg County and the surrounding area, partnering with local businesses to ensure young people in need have access to immediate help and supportive resources. The goal of each program The Relatives offers is to offer safety and support, preparing youth and young adults to be healthy, productive, engaged members of the community. To learn more about the resources The Relatives offers, visit <a href="https://www.TheRelatives.org">www.TheRelatives.org</a> and connect with us on <a href="facebook">Facebook</a> and <a href="mailto:Instagram">Instagram</a>.

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