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Dosher Foundation receives \$378,000 from the Golden LEAF Foundation

SOUTHPORT— Doshier Memorial Hospital Foundation has received \$378,000 in funding from the [Golden LEAF Foundation](#) for an on-site well water system. This will provide a water source for both potable (drinking) and non-potable water and will support critical equipment, boilers, chillers, cooling towers and chilled water systems in the event of a disaster or other loss of municipal water.

“I am extremely grateful for everyone that worked with Doshier to make the approval of this funding possible,” said Lynda Stanley, President of Doshier Memorial Hospital and the Doshier Foundation. “A special thanks to Coastal Carolinas Health Alliance for their support and the Golden LEAF Foundation for their consideration. This back up water well will be a critical element in helping to keep patients safe and our hospital fully operational, in case of a hurricane or other event, which would inhibit our ability to rely on public resources.”

“We were excited to support Doshier Memorial in their efforts to apply and install a back up well system,” said Brian Piccirilli, Coordinator of Projects and Grants for Coastal Carolinas Health Alliance. “We engaged with Columbus Regional Healthcare System on a similar project in 2018 and saw an opportunity to support Doshier as well.”

The Golden LEAF Disaster Recovery Grant Program is funded through appropriations by the State of North Carolina to the Golden LEAF Foundation to make grants to eligible entities to repair or replace damaged or destroyed infrastructure and equipment as well as for the infrastructure to support hazard mitigation resulting from Hurricanes Matthew, Florence, Michael, and Dorian.

“Golden LEAF is proud to help communities recover from natural disasters and mitigate future recurrences through the disaster recovery program,” said Scott T. Hamilton, Golden LEAF president and chief executive officer. “A back-up water well will help Doshier

Memorial Hospital continue essential healthcare services if access to municipal water is interrupted."

About Doshier Memorial Hospital

Doshier Memorial Hospital is the only independent critical access hospital in North Carolina. Founded in 2010, the Doshier Hospital Foundation works to improve access to healthcare services for area residents by seeking and allocating philanthropic funds.

About The Golden LEAF Foundation

The Golden LEAF Foundation was established in 1999 to administer one half of the tobacco settlement agreement monies back into North Carolina's rural and economically distressed communities. For almost 20 years, the nonprofit has partnered with state and local governments and other foundations to build economic opportunity across North Carolina through leadership in grant making, collaboration, innovation, and stewardship as an independent and perpetual foundation.

About Coastal Carolinas Health Alliance

Coastal Carolinas Health Alliance (CCHA) is a nonprofit alliance of healthcare organizations throughout North and South Carolina, Doshier Memorial Hospital is a founding member of CCHA, and through collaborative efforts, our alliance provides value to its members by facilitating projects to improve the quality and delivery of healthcare including grant funded program support.

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