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TRUIST GIVES \$50,000 TO THE CHARLOTTE MUSEUM OF HISTORY

CHARLOTTE, N.C., Nov. 3, 2021 – The Charlotte Museum of History announced today that Truist has donated \$50,000 to support the museum’s day-to-day operations. Truist made the gift as part of its Executive Leadership Volunteer Day hosted at the museum. Three other local nonprofits also were awarded donations of \$50,000 each at the event – AMP UP! Charlotte, ASPIRE Community Capital, and NXT|CLT.

“Donations of general operating funds are vital because they pay for the people and the spaces that make our programs possible. Ultimately, these funds translate directly into educational programming and exhibits so that our community can learn about Charlotte’s diverse history,” said Adria Focht, president & CEO of The Charlotte Museum of History. “Truist listened and responded when we told them what we needed most. The museum is deeply grateful for this type of support and partnership.”

“At Truist our purpose is to inspire and build better lives and communities,” said John Stokes, community development manager at Truist. “The museum serves an important purpose for Charlotte, and we’re honored to lend our support in ways that provide the community greater access to the programs and offerings the museum provides.”

The Truist donation is in addition to a \$5,400 grant from Truist Foundation earlier this year to provide free virtual field trips to the museum’s “Inside Siloam School” exhibit, which examines segregation in Charlotte and the impact of local Rosenwald Schools during the Jim Crow era. These schools were built by local Black communities to provide a quality education for their children despite segregation. Mecklenburg County originally had 26 such schools. The museum is leading a community effort to restore the historic Siloam School, returning the building to its life as an educational space and a place for community dialogue.



About The Charlotte Museum of History

The Charlotte Museum of History exists to save and share the Charlotte region's history, helping create a better understanding of the past and inspiring dialogue about the future. The museum is the steward of the 1774 Hezekiah Alexander Rock House and homesite, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and is the oldest home in Mecklenburg County. Visit charlottemuseum.org and follow the museum on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) and [Twitter](#). The museum is an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

About Truist

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About Truist Foundation

The Truist Foundation is committed to Truist Financial Corporation's (NYSE: TFC) purpose to inspire and build better lives and communities. Established in 2020, the foundation makes strategic investments in nonprofit organizations to help ensure the communities it serves have more opportunities for a better quality of life. The Truist Foundation's grants and activities focus on building career pathways to economic mobility and strengthening small businesses. Learn more at Truist.com/Foundation.

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