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## **Randolph Partnership for Children awarded restoration grant from The Timken Foundation**

*Funds will tackle much-needed facility improvements*

**ASHEBORO, N.C. (July 21, 2020)** — Randolph Partnership for Children (RPC) Executive Director Lisa Hayworth announced on July 1 the agency has been awarded a \$56,500 grant from The Timken Foundation for restoration work for its office space.

"We are honored and deeply grateful for the generosity of The Timken Foundation," Hayworth said. "For 21 years now, the Partnership has occupied what is historically known as The Hayworth House. The character of the house and its warmth, along with its functionality, inspire us to be our best every day."

RPC offices are located in what is known as The Hayworth House on Sunset Avenue in downtown Asheboro. Prominent Asheboro surgeon Dr. Claude Hayworth built the home in 1924 in the Dutch Colonial Revival style. The gambrel roof with a continuous dormer is unusual in Asheboro, but was a standard element in this style of domestic architecture. The decorative wood molding, called picture molding because some owners hung pictures from cords hooked over it, can be found in the living room, den, and inside the closets.

The Hayworth's son, Jack, and his wife Margaret later lived in the house until Jack died. Margaret stayed in the house for several more years until selling it in May 1995 to Asheboro Family Physicians. The physician's group oversaw renovations to the home, including wood reproductions of the plaster molding and other repairs. RPC purchased the home in 1999 and has been operating there as a Smart Start agency ever since.

The Hayworth House is one of the last remaining original homes on Sunset Avenue, an area that leads into the central business district for Asheboro.

This funding will be used to repair our foundation, fix the water intrusion issues in the basement, repair rotting wood, replace gutters, put on new siding, and more. RPC expects to begin the repair work in early fall 2020.

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**About the Randolph Partnership for Children:** Since 1999, the Randolph Partnership for Children (RPC), a non-profit organization, has been the community's lead organization for young children and their families. RPC brings together diverse agencies, individuals, organizations and communities to ensure all children enter school ready to succeed. RPC is a United Way agency. For more information, visit [www.randolphkids.org](http://www.randolphkids.org).

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