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Catawba Two Kings Casino raises \$10,000 for local organization assisting people with disabilities

Ongoing Share Change program is the Catawba's first charitable initiative with new casino



Dwayne Rogers (second from right), a council member on the Catawba Nation Executive Committee, presents a check for \$10,000 to Jennifer Reynolds (center) of the Junior League of Shelby for the Cleveland County Fund for Children and Adults with Disabilities. The funds were raised by the Catawba Two Kings Casino from patron donations. At the Oct. 18 presentation were (left to right) Trent Troxel, vice president of the Catawba Nation Gaming Authority; Nicole Elmore, vice president of community impact for the United Way of Cleveland County; Reynolds; Rogers; and Catawba Assistant Chief Jason Harris.

KINGS MOUNTAIN, N.C. (Oct. 27, 2021) – The Catawba Two Kings Casino in Kings Mountain, N.C. – through its new and ongoing Share Change program – has raised \$10,000 for the Cleveland County Fund for Children and Adults with Disabilities.

The casino, which features 500 slot machines in a pre-launch temporary facility, launched the Share Change program several weeks after its July 1 opening. The proceeds for the Cleveland County Fund for Children and Adults with Disabilities were raised through Sept. 30. Casino patrons donated the remaining change on slot vouchers, dropping them in wishing wells and large ticket barrels located on the casino floor.

The Share Change program represents the Catawba Nation's first charitable initiative with the new casino. New charitable recipients will be designated every three months, with two organizations – Cleveland County Hospice and the Cleveland County Partnership for Children – set to receive funds raised this month through Dec. 31.

“The Catawba Nation and our Catawba Two Kings Casino are committed to making a positive change in our local communities, and the Share Change program is a way for us to begin fulfilling that commitment,” Catawba Assistant Chief Jason Harris said. “We thank our casino patrons for their generosity and are thrilled to provide these funds to such a worthy cause as assisting adults and children with disabilities.”

The fund, a service of the Junior Charity League of Shelby, provides emergency financial assistance to individuals and families living with a disability. One example of how this fund helps is to provide orthopedic equipment to adults and children who may be financially challenged and unable to obtain these necessities.

The Junior Charity League of Shelby was established in 1934 as a non-profit organization with its primary purpose to raise funds to provide necessities such as clothing, fuel, food, medications, or any other needs that arise for the children and citizens of Cleveland County.

“On behalf of the Junior Charity League of Shelby, we would like to thank Catawba Two Kings Casino patrons for their donations,” league representative Jennifer Reynolds said. “With these funds, we will work with the United Way of Cleveland County to help children and adults with disabilities who are in need within our community. Thank you for selecting the fund and for caring for the people of Cleveland County.”

Catawba Nation and Catawba Two Kings Casino leaders anticipate that the Share Change program will grow as the casino grows. Construction work began in September to add an additional 500 gaming machines to the pre-launch facility by year's end.

“With the expansion, our hope is that we will be able to provide even more for area charitable organizations as the number of casino patrons grows and as a result of their continuing generosity,” said Mike Ulizio, president of the Catawba Nation Gaming Authority.

About Catawba Two Kings Casino Resort

Catawba Two Kings Casino Resort is being developed by the Catawba Nation at a 17-acre site at 538 Kings Mountain Blvd. in Kings Mountain, N.C. The site is near Interstate 85 Exit 5 and about 35 miles west of Charlotte. A temporary “pre-launch” gaming facility opened July 1, 2021, with 500 gaming machines to provide an initial opportunity for patrons to game with limited food & beverage and other guest amenities, and an expansion to 1,000 gaming machines is planned to open in December 2021. At full buildout, the casino resort project is expected to create thousands of permanent and construction jobs in the region. The Two Kings name celebrates the Catawba Nation's history and hopeful future in their ancestral lands in North Carolina, paying tribute to the 18th century Catawba Chief King Hagler and the City of Kings Mountain. For more information visit www.twokingscasino.com, <https://www.facebook.com/TwoKingsCasino/>, <https://www.instagram.com/twokingscasino/> and <https://twitter.com/twokingscasino>.