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Duke Energy awards \$56,000 to fund educational programs at the Brunswick Riverwalk at Belville

BELVILLE, N.C. – Duke Energy, a founding member of the Brunswick Riverwalk at Belville, today announced a \$56,000 contribution to support historical, educational and recreational programs at the facility, which is located at 580 River Road near Belville Elementary School.

The grant funds will allow the Town of Belville to construct a classroom on the site which will be used by local educators to conduct lessons and hands-on activities that are focused on science, ecology, history, oceanography and meteorology. Building the classroom is a vital part of the construction that is planned for Phase I of the Riverwalk Project, which will also include walking trails, a fishing pier, retail shops and a restaurant.

“Duke Energy has demonstrated a strong commitment as a good corporate citizen toward assuring a better future for generations to come,” said Commissioner Joe Breault, project manager.

“Creating the classroom provides students hands-on learning experiences and drives visitors to the Riverwalk,” said John Elliott, Duke Energy’s director of Government and Community Relations, “We’re proud to be part of this important project to expand opportunities in Belville.”

The Town of Belville encourages the public to attend a ceremony which will be held at the Belville Town Hall during the Belville Board of Commissioners Meeting on Monday, July 28 at 6:30 p.m. At the ceremony John Elliott, Duke Energy’s director of Government and Community Relations, will present Mayor Mike Allen and Commissioner Joe Breault, with the funds for the project. Town Hall is located at 497 Olde Waterford Way, Suite 205 in Belville, NC. For directions to Town Hall or for more information please call 910.371.2456.

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