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MOVE ON UP, MISSISSIPPI OPENS THIRD GRANT CYCLE

*FOUNDATION WILL ACCEPT PROPOSALS
FROM ORGANIZATIONS ACROSS MISSISSIPPI
UNTIL MARCH 1ST, 2020*

LAFAYETTE COUNTY - Because of gracious donor support and an ongoing desire to improve access to children's health and wellness initiatives throughout Mississippi, Chef John Currence's foundation Move On Up, Mississippi (MOUMS) is excited to announce the opening of its third grant cycle. In 2019, MOUMS contributed nearly \$30,000 in community funding to six local children's health and wellness programs: Baptist Cancer Center, Doors of Hope Transition Ministries, the Gordon Community and Cultural Center, Oxford Community Market, Oxford School District, and the University of Mississippi's Department of Nutrition and Hospitality Management. Funding decisions were made by MOUMS's eight board members: John T. Edge, Mac Nichols, Kelly English, Afton Thomas, Eleanor Green, Glenn Aquino, Mariana Jurss, and Janae Owens. MOUMS looks forward to championing more quality programs throughout the state in 2020-2021.

Any Mississippi nonprofit organization, public school, government entity, or program sponsored by a qualifying organization and working to positively impact the health and wellness of the state's children and youth is eligible to submit a proposal to the foundation's competitive grant process on or before March 1, 2020. MOUMS is especially interested in applicants whose programs are intentionally inclusive, provide measurable results, and focus on children and families. In this grant cycle and beyond, the foundation hopes to expand its support of organizations throughout Mississippi.

Application materials can be requested by emailing the project manager at grants@moveonupms.org. Complete proposals must be received by email or mail in PDF form on or postmarked by March 1, 2020. MOUMS's Board of Directors will review successfully submitted proposals and announce award winners by May 2020.

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