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**Darlington County First Steps Receives Generous Donation to Support Family Literacy Program**

**Darlington, SC** – Community partnerships play a vital role in expanding opportunities for local families, and Darlington County First Steps (DCFS) is grateful for the support of organizations that invest in the success of children and families. Through a generous donation of \$1,925 from the Alpha Kappa Delta Society, DCFS will be able to enhance its Motherread/Fatheread (MR/FR) program and expand literacy resources for participating families.

The donation will support the purchase of supplies and materials that strengthen the implementation of MR/FR, a family literacy program designed to help parents and caregivers build stronger connections with their children through shared reading experiences. The program promotes literacy development, nurtures positive parent-child relationships, and equips families with tools to support early learning in the home.

"We are incredibly grateful for the Alpha Kappa Delta Society's investment in the children and families of Darlington County," said Darnell Byrd McPherson, Executive Director of DCFS. "Their generosity will help us provide meaningful learning opportunities that inspire a love of reading and support positive family engagement."

DCFS proudly recognizes the Alpha Kappa Delta Society for its commitment to strengthening families and improving outcomes for young children. This contribution will have a meaningful impact on families participating in the Motherread/Fatheread program and helps advance DCFS's mission of ensuring all children are prepared for success in school and in life.

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*DCFS prepares children for school and life success by supporting families and mobilizing community partnerships to ensure every child in Darlington County enters school healthy, safe, and ready to learn.*

