

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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**HOUSE BILL DRH30270-MQa-79A**

Short Title: Corps Community Center Funding. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Davis.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FUNDING TO THE SALVATION ARMY OF CAPE FEAR FOR A  
3 COMMUNITY CENTER FACILITY IN WILMINGTON.

4 Whereas, the Salvation Army of Cape Fear has served the Wilmington area for over  
5 135 years and continues to provide assistance to residents of New Hanover, Columbus,  
6 Brunswick, Bladen, and Pender Counties; and

7 Whereas, the Salvation Army of Cape Fear recognizes and strives to address the  
8 critical needs of at-risk communities through its seventeen million five hundred thousand dollar  
9 (\$17,500,000) Build Hope Capital Campaign, including the planned construction of the Corps  
10 Community Center, at a cost of seven million five hundred thousand dollars (\$7,500,000),  
11 benefitting eastern North Carolina; and

12 Whereas, the Corps Community Center will offer after-school tutoring, business  
13 training, and recreational opportunities, while providing the surrounding underserved community  
14 with much needed meeting space to the surrounding community; and

15 Whereas, the Corps Community Center will also coordinate with New Hanover  
16 County Emergency Management to serve as an emergency shelter during hurricanes for the area's  
17 at-risk and homeless community, as well as the community in general; and

18 Whereas, the Corps Community Center and the Build Hope Campaign is part of a  
19 public-private partnership with nearly three-quarters of funding secured; and

20 Whereas, the Salvation Army of Cape Fear would be grateful for the support of the  
21 General Assembly in securing a portion of funding for the Corps Community Center project;

22 Now, therefore,

23 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

24 **SECTION 1.** Notwithstanding G.S. 143C-5-2, there is appropriated from the  
25 General Fund to the Office of State Budget and Management the sum of two million dollars  
26 (\$2,000,000) in nonrecurring funds for the 2025-2026 fiscal year to be provided in the form of a  
27 grant to The Salvation Army to be used for the construction of the Corps Community Center in  
28 Wilmington by the Salvation Army of Cape Fear.

29 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2025.



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