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Press Release

The newly formed *Manufacturers Caring for Pickens County* (MCPC) Forum has announced the second in a series of social outreach grants to local charities and community service organizations. This grant of One Thousand dollars will be shared by the Samaritan Health Clinic, Wounded Warrior Project, and Honoring Their Service, Inc. All three organizations have demonstrated outstanding community efforts to benefit the residents of Pickens County.

Linda Bacigalupo, President and CFO of Tri-Tech USA, Inc., and MCPC board member, commented that "we are pleased to support Samaritan Health Clinic which provides an important service in our community by offering, among other things, free medical care to residents of Pickens County who are otherwise unable to pay or have limited incomes. Likewise, the Wounded Warrior project honors and empowers wounded soldiers returning from the battlefield and supports our servicemen and women and their families through the recovery and rehabilitation process. We are grateful to these dedicated men and women for their service to our country and honored to support this worthy organization."

Michael R. Fee, Vice President and Owner of Reliable Automatic Sprinkler Co., Inc., and MCPC board member, commented that “being a ski instructor for handicapped children and disabled military personnel for Adaptive Sports Foundation and the Wounded Warrior Project, I am very excited to support *Honoring Their Service* (formerly known as Communities for Marines) for great programs they provide for our military that come back from war with a permanent disability like a missing limb or PTSD (post-traumatic stress disorder).”

From the MCPC website: "Our goal is to reach out to our Pickens County community, to enhance, develop, and enrich our socioeconomic values and conditions to higher levels."

MCPC recently worked with the Pickens County School District to update Guidance Counselors on current job skills needed and is in the process of giving Guidance Counselors and student tours of our facilities.

Stay tuned for future announcements.  Member companies are listed on the left. Contact info and Website below.