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CALHOUN FALLS: Dominion Energy SC Donation Will Help Build a Home for the Calhoun Falls Farmers' Market

CALHOUN FALLS — December 17, 2019, was a wonderful day for Calhoun Falls. The Calhoun Falls Farmers' Market will soon have a permanent home after a major contribution from the Dominion Energy South Carolina.

Dominion Energy SC officials presented a \$25,000 check to Calhoun Falls Mayor Chris Cowan in a ceremony last month. The donation will help the town reach its \$75,000 goal for a new pavilion that will permanently house the market. The market currently resides on Cox Avenue in the town's downtown.

"Thank you, this is very much appreciated," Mayor Chris Cowan told the check's presenter Scott Neely, Dominion Energy SC Manager, Economic Development & Local Government

The Freshwater Coast Center for Rural Development (FCCRD) partners with towns in the region to start local farmers' markets. Calhoun Falls residents, who do not currently have a local grocery store, can buy fresh produce at the market during summer months.

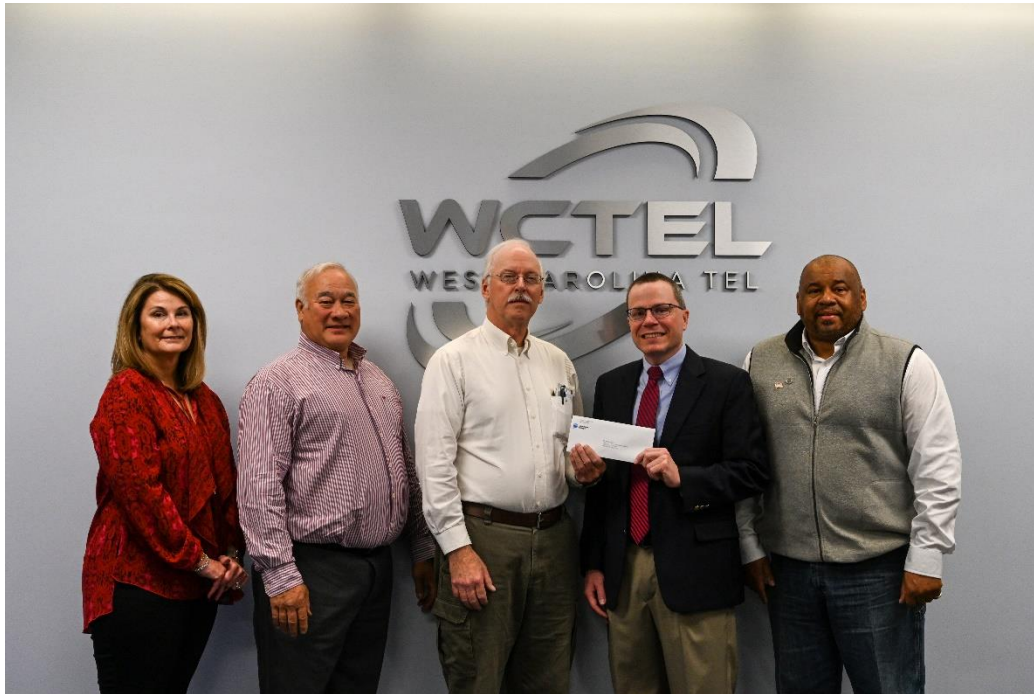
"This is a huge benefit for the Calhoun Falls residents and the local farmers," FCCRD Director Wilder Ferreira said. "A permanent structure is necessary for providing a shelter to the local farmers while selling their produce and giving better accommodation to patrons as they purchase locally-grown food."

Ferreira is counting on donations to give the homeless farmers' market a permanent residence. Dominion Energy's donation will help this dream become a reality.

Freshwater Coast Community Foundation Chairman Brad Evans said, "this fits into the foundation with community development and economic development, and we appreciate everything Dominion Energy SC is doing."

Dominion Energy merged with SCANA Corporation in January 2019. Through its Dominion Energy Charitable Foundation, as well as EnergyShare and other programs, Dominion Energy contributed nearly \$48 million in 2019 to community causes throughout its footprint and beyond.

Please, contact Dominion Energy for any related inquiry at matthew.long@dominionenergy.com. For more information about the Calhoun Falls Farmers' Market and the great foods that they are growing, please visit their Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/CFfarmermarket/>



CUTLINE: Scott Neely, Economic Development and Local Government Manager for Dominion Energy, presented a check to Stephen Pettigrew in the amount of \$25,000 for the Calhoun Falls Farmers' Market. Pictured left to right: Faye Crocker, CEO HopeSouth Credit Union; Robert Hester, WCTEL Board Member; Stephen Pettigrew, Pettigrew Hardware & Supply; Scott Neely, Economic Development and Local Government Manager, Dominion Energy; Chris Cowan, Town of Calhoun Falls Mayor. December 17, 2019.