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King's Daughters' Health Pledges \$20,000 to Stellar Efforts

The City of Madison, King's Daughters' Health, and the Community Foundation of Madison & Jefferson County announced today that KDH has pledged \$20,000 toward the "Stellar Madison Fund" at the Community Foundation.

The Stellar Madison Fund will be used to assist in bringing all of the Stellar projects to completion. Some of the projects included in the Stellar plan include finishing the Madison Connector trail, improving local parks, rehabilitating historic buildings like the Cotton Mill, and repairing and replacing sidewalks. The funds pledged and given to the Stellar Madison Fund at the Community Foundation will be split 65/35, with 65% of pledged funds going to projects immediately, while 35% will go toward a long-term fund to sustain the projects long into the future.

Carol Dozier, President and CEO of KDH said, "As the region's healthcare provider, investing in the health of our community is important for all of us, now and in the future. We all benefit when our community is vibrant, active, and engaged. Supporting the 'Stellar Madison Fund' is an extension of our desire to help this community be the best it can be."

"King's Daughters' Health is such a valuable asset for our community. They employ hundreds of residents, provide quality healthcare to our community, and are always willing to partner on projects that will make the community better. I appreciate their support of Stellar and all the great things they do every day," said Mayor Damon Welch.

Other financial pledges will be announced in the coming weeks. Businesses and individuals that are interested in supporting the Stellar Madison Fund can contact Nicole Schell or Andrew Forrester at the Mayor's Office or Bill Barnes at the Community Foundation. Madison was designated as a Stellar Community in October 2017. More information about Stellar can be found at www.stellarmadison.org.

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