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Guilford Co. Education Initiative Receives \$5 Million Pledge

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Philips Foundation has pledged its largest donation ever toward a new education initiative in Guilford County. The Foundation has earmarked \$5 million to the Say Yes To Education.

The pledge is the first financial commitment to a new \$28-million fundraising goal.

The initiative was launched by organizations committed to bringing Say Yes to Guilford County.

The pledge from the Greensboro-based Phillips Foundation is contingent upon the national Say Yes organization selecting Guilford County as the next Say Yes community in the U.S. Last month, Say Yes notified Guilford that it is the leading candidate for this designation.

Say Yes is a nonprofit organization that works with communities to see that every student in the public school system graduates, and then helps those students complete a college or other post-secondary education.

There are still several criteria Guilford County must meet, including reaching the \$28 million dollar fundraising goal.