

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE****Case Farms \$25,000 to the Alder Springs Deaf & Blind Community**

*Commitment supports expansion of a second apartment building and a free-standing Activity Center.*

**Troutman, N.C. (1/06/25)** – [Case Farms](http://www.casefarms.com), a fully integrated poultry farming and processing group, recently presented a \$25,000 donation to the Alder Springs Deaf & Blind Community Phase 2 Expansion for the construction of a second apartment building and a free-standing Activity Center. This is Case Farms' second gift in support of this project.

"We are absolutely humbled by their interest in the Deaf community and in our mission at Alder Springs. Their 2024 donations total \$75,000 - a huge boost to our capital campaign and yet another episode in the company's long history of support for the Deaf," said outgoing Alder Springs Board Chair Sam Avery.

The Alder Springs expansion includes an additional 26-unit apartment building designed to meet the unique social, emotional and lifestyle needs of the Deaf, Blind, and Hard-of-Hearing that along with a new free standing 8,000sf Activity Center that will become the hub for local and regional Deaf and Blind activities. The current estimated total cost to construct both buildings is \$8 million.

"Case Farms is a longstanding friend of deaf education and activities," said new Alder Springs Board Chair Dotty Kirksey. "As perpetual sponsors of the NCSD Foundation Golf Tournament, they have helped so many good things happen in that realm. They have also strongly supported many other projects and activities across Burke County. By their generous actions they are leaders in the Burke business community when it comes to supporting local causes. We are grateful to them."

In addition to the capital campaign which seeks gifts and pledges from individuals, families, businesses, and grant-makers, the other expansion funding will be in the form of loans. Construction is expected to start in the second half of 2025 and take two years to complete.

**About Alder Springs:**

Doing business as Alder Springs Deaf and Blind Community, LLC - a nonprofit subsidiary of NCSD at Morganton Foundation, Alder Springs' mission is to provide and sustain a safe and secure independent-living apartment community that simplifies daily living and meets the unique social, emotional, and lifestyle needs of the deaf, deafblind, blind, and hard of hearing, and enriches the education experience of NC School for the Deaf (NCSD) students. For more information on Alder Springs, visit <https://www.aldersprings.org/>

**About Case Farms:**

Founded in 1986, Case Farms is a fully integrated poultry farming and processing group of dedicated individuals that work together to produce consistent, quality poultry products. Its driving purpose is to deliver superior products and service to every customer, every time. Case Farms processes 4.0 million birds per week, has over 3,700 dedicated team members, and produces in excess of 1.1 billion pounds of fresh, partially cooked, and frozen-for-export poultry products per year. The company has operations or offices in Ohio and North Carolina. For more information on Case Farms, visit [www.casefarms.com](http://www.casefarms.com).

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