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**Clean Air Carolina Recognizes Individuals and Organizations
Working to Improve Air Quality in North Carolina**

CHARLOTTE – Clean Air Carolina, a statewide clean air advocacy group, recognized 11 individuals and organizations from across the state for their leadership in working to improve air quality in North Carolina. The Airkeeper Awards were presented at a reception on March 7 in Winston-Salem and was attended by local air quality officials, medical professionals, leaders in air quality research, and other community leaders.

Awards were given in six categories: student or school, business, organization, individual, policy maker, and [Medical Advocates for Healthy Air](#) member. Award winners for 2018 are working to improve air quality in Asheville, Charlotte, and Wilmington.

“I am very grateful for this honor. I know that my work will live on to impact generations to come,” said award-recipient Ron Ross, who won in the organization category for his work in Charlotte’s Northwest Corridor along with Mattie Marshall and William Hughes. “This recognition only serves to encourage me to do more for my community,” Ron added.

[Read more about the recipients.](#)

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Clean Air Carolina is a statewide nonprofit organization based in Charlotte, NC. Our mission is to ensure cleaner air quality for all North Carolinians through education and advocacy and by working with our partners to reduce sources of pollution.