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## 2023 ANNUAL REPORT

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# Our Mission

The Community Foundation offers caring individuals an effective way to endow their community in a manner that is responsible, responsive, and lasting.

### Responsible

- provides leadership and resources to address problems of our regional community
- encourages individuals and organizations to participate in organized philanthropy
- preserves and enhances assets entrusted to our stewardship

### Responsive

- identifies and evaluates the ever-changing needs of the region
- makes grants consistent with needs
- offers flexible options of charitable giving for individuals of varying means

### Lasting

- builds capacity for community problem solving
- builds endowment in order to enrich quality of life and improve the human condition for generations to come

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As we turn the page on a record breaking year of fundraising and grantmaking, we reflect with gratitude and pride on the road we've shared—a road paved with your compassion and unwavering commitment to making a difference in our region.

At the heart of our mission lies the belief that positive change starts with connection. Our goal is to be the bridge between those who care deeply and the causes that ignite their passion. Hence our tagline, *"Connecting donors who care with causes that matter."*

In this year's annual report, you'll find compelling stories from each of the five counties we serve. These articles demonstrate both the philanthropic interests of some of our most supportive donors and the creative work that our nonprofit partners are doing across the region. Through strategic grantmaking and partnerships we've realized major impacts, including:

- **Building wealth in communities:** The Stack Project and the Broome County Public Library have formed a partnership to address financial literacy and wealth building in marginalized communities.
- **Facilitating conversations about racial justice:** Franklin Stage Company and Colgate University collaborate on creating and staging Toliver and Wakeman.
- **Investing in creative partnerships:** Chenango County Historical Society, Friends of Rogers and DCMO BOCES work together to create a maple sugaring program.
- **Expanding the capacity of nonprofits:** Super Heroes Humane Society of Oneonta will gain more space and increase its capabilities as it moves into a new facility.
- **Developing opportunities for underrepresented entrepreneurs:** Tioga County Chamber of Commerce creates programs benefitting minority and women-owned businesses and young people.

We believe that anyone can be a philanthropist. We steward funds on behalf of hundreds of donors, and the stories about how they became interested in philanthropy are enlightening. For this report, we've chosen to highlight donors in each of our five counties who have a specific vision for their giving. They include: a couple that has been active with the Community Foundation almost since its inception 26 years ago; a brand new donor interested in supporting students in Norwich; three generations of Community Foundation donors from the same family who have a long history of charitable community involvement; a woman who wished to honor her mother's lifelong affection for her home town, Oneonta; and a couple with a personal connection to the Community Foundation and Tioga county.

Data about philanthropy—how many dollars were donated, how many people were served—is always important. But to really see what happens when people support causes they are passionate about, you need to hear personal stories. Read through this report, and you'll understand how charitable giving makes a powerful impact on the lives of real people.

We hope that you find inspiration in these stories of hope and generosity.

Phil Nelson and Josias Bartram partnering to build wealth in our community

# Financial Counseling, Tailor-Made

## Debt collectors calling nonstop? Can't afford to fix your car? Think you'll never save enough to buy a home? The Stack Project can help.

Since 2019, the Stack Project has offered free, one-on-one financial counseling to anyone who needs that advice. In 2023, to address the poverty crisis in Broome County, it started offering those services in person twice a month at the Broome County Public Library. Clients can also call Phil Nelson, the Stack Project's executive director, for help with financial emergencies anytime.

Nelson founded the Stack Project to assist people who are not being served by typical financial counseling programs. Those tend to focus on people with steady incomes who have great credit scores and retirement savings, he said.

"What happens to the people who are off and on jobs, or have been unemployed for a year, or didn't grow up with the basic fundamentals of finance because it wasn't taught in their households?" Nelson asked. Also, many traditional programs don't meet the needs of diverse communities, such as LGBTQ individuals, people of color, immigrants or military veterans, he said.

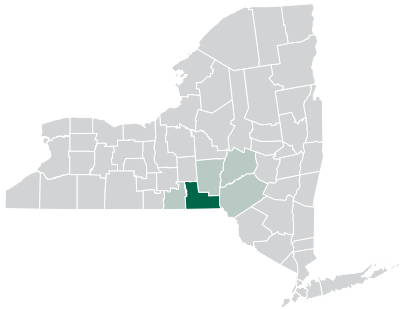
Nelson's personalized sessions at the library, two Thursdays a month from 3 to 7 p.m., draw a steady stream of clients, said Josias Bartram, the library's executive director.

While Broome County has seen some exciting economic development, many people there still live in a state of financial peril, Bartram said. "A lot of what Phil is doing is helping people map out a way to manage their debt."

Beyond the library, the Stack Project also reaches clients through partnerships with many community organizations, such as the NAACP, Lee Barta Center and Family Enrichment Network's Housing Connections program. And often, the program delivers more than good advice. For instance, Nelson may join a client on a three-way phone call with a collection agency, bank or other institution. "If they have to talk with the Department of Social Services, we'll go with the client and help fill out the application," said Nelson.

In 2023, the Stack Project received $49,600 in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding from the City of Binghamton. The Community Foundation administered the grant process for the portion of the ARPA funds that the city's mayor devoted to nonprofits.

While helping clients resolve emergencies, the Stack Project's longer-term goal is to help people gain financial stability and build generational wealth. Take the client who came to Nelson with a credit score of 540, sporadic employment and maybe $20 in the bank. "A year later, she was gainfully employed," he said. "She had almost $15,000 in the bank. And now she's buying a home."

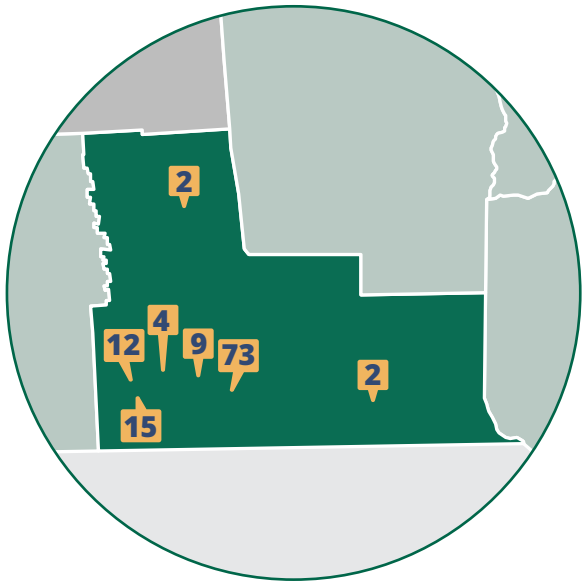


**2023 GRANTS IN BROOME COUNTY**

**$2,484,109**
Total Grant Amount

**117**
Grants

**198,683**
Population



One family, four generations of philanthropy

*"When I think back on their legacy, it's their support for education and their philanthropic giving."*

– WHITNEY RACKETA

DONOR SPOTLIGHT

## All in the Family

Eugene and Carol Taren were established philanthropists before they started the Taren Family Fund at the Community Foundation. Carol, who taught remedial reading, wrote small checks to many organizations throughout the year. Gene, who owned and operated Tarco Steel in Binghamton, made larger donations annually.

"When I think back on their legacy, it's their support for education and their philanthropic giving," said Whitney Racketa, the Tarens' granddaughter, who has served on the Community Foundation's Board and on the leadership committee of the Women's Fund.

The Tarens established the Taren Family Fund through the Community Foundation in 2011. It mainly addresses three issues, said Racketa: social concerns such as food insecurity; school dropout prevention; and access to health care, especially reproductive care.

The philanthropic impulse runs strong in the Taren family. Whitney's parents, Janet and Donald Beal, give to the Foundation and the Women's Fund, and to local organizations such as the Roberson Museum, WSKG and Binghamton University. Racketa and her husband are currently building a Community Foundation fund.

The Taren Family Fund illustrates perfectly how donors can use their funds to promote causes close to their hearts. For example, many Taren grants have supported community gardens and helped people gain access to fresh, sustainable produce. No wonder: Carol was a Master Gardener with Cornell Cooperative Extension for about 30 years, Racketa said. "They always had a food garden, and my grandmother was always out with her flowers."

Students from DCMO BOCES get hands-on experience and learn the power of partnership

# A Sweet Solution

## In 2019, Rogers Environmental Education Center in Sherburne transformed a stand of 150-year old maples into a living classroom.

Each year when the sap starts running, visitors tour the sugar bush on the Center's property to learn about the area's maple sugaring heritage.

"It's an awesome experience to be up among those trees and see all the tubing and tapping," said David Carson, the Rogers Center's executive director.

Starting in 2025, visitors will also watch staff boil sap into syrup, thanks to a collaboration with the Chenango County Historical Society (CCHS) in Norwich, which is donating a sugar shack to the center.

Sugaring at Rogers was a longtime dream of Bruce Selleck, a geology professor at Colgate University who served on the Friends of Rogers board of directors. When Selleck died in 2017, the Friends established a fund in his honor to create what became the Selleck Sugaring Program. The Community Foundation made a grant to support that initiative.

In the past, Rogers has sent its sap to a local processor for boiling. But once the shack is up and running, the whole sap-to-syrup process will happen on site.

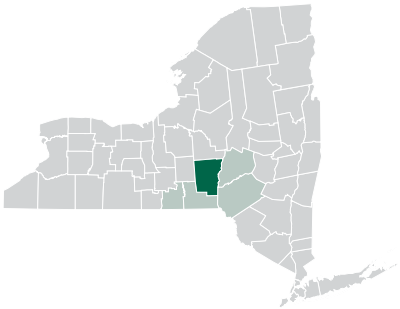
Volunteers at CCHS first built the shack, from donated materials, for use in demonstrations at an annual maple festival. But CCHS hasn't held that festival for some time, and the shack was sitting idle.

"The idea of moving the sugar shack was suggested a few years ago by Alan Estus, a long-time volunteer here and a former executive director of CCHS," said Jessica Moquin, CCHS's executive director.

About a dozen students from the carpentry and building construction program at Delaware-Chenango-Madison-Otsego (DCMO) BOCES gained valuable work experience while taking the shack apart in Norwich and reassembling it in Sherburne. "We try to give them as many hands-on projects as possible, but in the lab, those projects tend to be small," said Eric Ingrahm, who teaches in the program. Helping with the sugar shack, students learned, for example, how to build scaffolding and work on a roof.

A $10,000 grant from the Community Foundation helped pay for a flatbed truck to transport the shack, materials for installing it in the new location and some equipment for the students, Moquin said. The money will also help CCHS create a maple sugaring exhibit at the shack.

New York is the second-largest maple syrup producing state in the U.S. "It's very exciting to think that Chenango County touches something so significant," Moquin said. "I know Bruce would have appreciated tying that back to our local community as well."

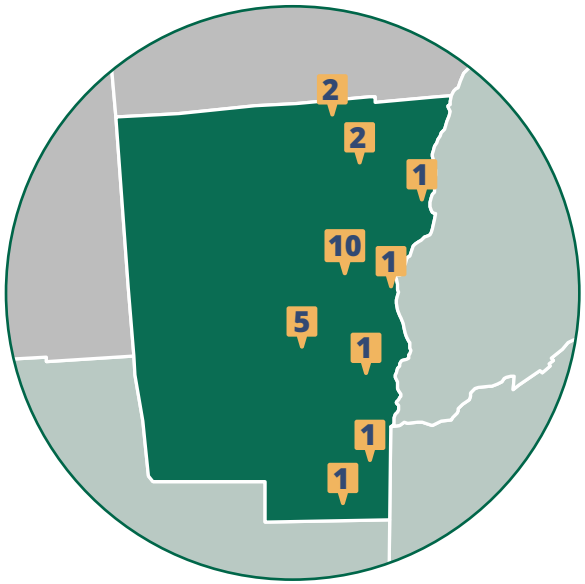


**2023 GRANTS IN CHENANGO COUNTY**

**$173,217**
Total Grant Amount

**24**
Grants

**47,220**
Population



Gail Hill Gordon, with parents Janet and William. The scholarship honors her parents' civic engagement and accomplishments

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## The Gift of Education

"Both my parents were fortunate enough to receive an education at a time when not everybody did," said Norwich native Gail Hill Gordon. They appreciated that advantage, and they made sure Gail got a good education, too. So, when she thought about a way to honor the memory of her parents, establishing the Janet and William Gordon Scholarship Fund seemed like the right choice.

"I grew up with good people who now have children and, because of economic circumstances, may not be in a situation to send them to college," said Gordon. The new fund at the Community Foundation will help graduates from Norwich High School and Delaware-Chenango-Madison-Otsego (DCMO) BOCES pursue further academic study or vocational training.

Janet and William Gordon both worked as lawyers in Norwich. Janet served in the New York State Assembly from 1947 to 1958 and in the State Senate from 1959 to 1962. William served as a Chenango County judge and surrogate.

Gail Gordon said she hopes the scholarships named for her parents will give other Norwich residents an educational boost like the ones that she and her parents enjoyed. "It will give them the opportunity to figure out what goals they have for themselves, and the best way they think they can make a contribution to the Norwich community."

# Close Encounter in the Darkroom of History

Toliver Holmes escaped slavery in Virginia, joined the Union Army in New York and later settled in Delhi. Sarah Wakeman, a young woman from Bainbridge, disguised herself as a man and also served in the Civil War as a Union soldier.

Sarah Wakeman encounters Toliver Holmes in the original play *Toliver & Wakeman*

These two residents of Delaware County never met. But what if they had?

Holmes' great-great grandson, playwright Kyle Bass, already knew a good deal about his ancestor's life when he discovered Sarah's story. "I began to think about a play that would bring them together in a sort of fantasia of history," said Bass, assistant professor in theater at Colgate University and resident playwright at Syracuse Stage.

Bass got his chance when the Franklin Stage Company (FSC) commissioned him to write a play based on that fictional encounter. In August 2023, *Toliver & Wakeman* saw its world premiere at the Franklin Stage, running for three weeks in a production supported by a $20,000 grant from the Community Foundation.

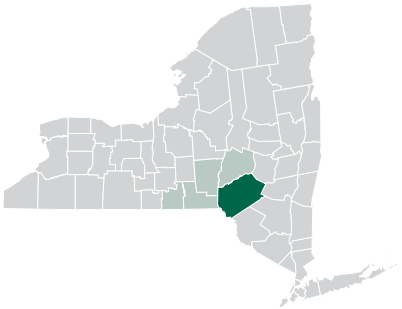
"It was really well received, a huge success" said Patrica Buckley, artistic director at FSC. "He's a beautiful writer. It's very moving, and it's funny."

Bass based the character of Sarah Wakeman on a series of letters the real Wakeman sent home from the war. He built Toliver Holmes' character on known facts about the man, enriched by imagination. "I invest him with idealisms—who he might have been, could have been, how he might have existed, how he might have thought," Bass said.

The two characters meet in what Bass calls "the darkroom of history," a space between the past and present. "They talk together about all manner of things—identity, ideas of freedom, how they differ, ideas of family," he said. For example, Wakeman's story hints that by putting on male garb she was embracing her true identity. Holmes talks about the problems that Black soldiers had getting the Army to pay them for their service.

Audiences loved that the play concerns local history, Buckley said. "There are a lot of people in Franklin whose families have been here for many years and who know a lot, so this was a really interesting subject for them."

The Community Foundation grant let FSC try something unusual for a small town professional theater, presenting a new play that touches on subjects such as race, identity and war in ways that its productions haven't explored in the past, Buckley said. "The support of the Foundation validates the choices we're making to try to include and move the conversation forward."

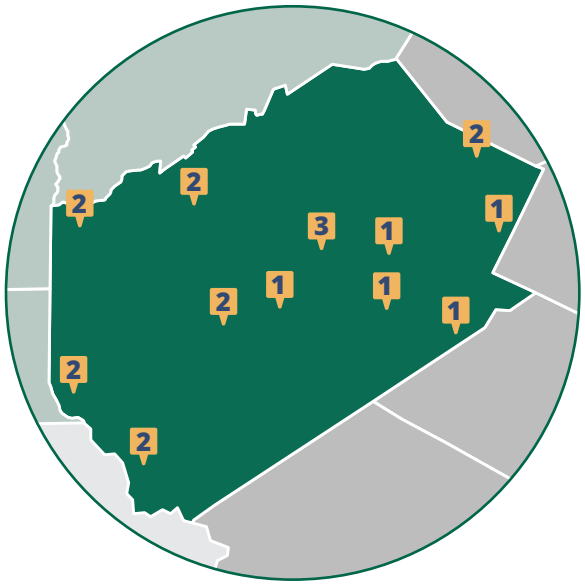


**2023 GRANTS IN DELAWARE COUNTY**

**$154,084**
Total Grant Amount

**20**
Grants

**44,308**
Population



David and Joyce Barber, long-time donors and enthusiastic supporters of literacy programs

DONOR SPOTLIGHT

## Near to Home

"We want to help others, and especially in our local community," said Hobart resident Joyce Barber. That's exactly what she and her husband, David Barber, have been doing since 2000 with the fund they established through the Community Foundation. Over the years, the Joyce and David Barber Fund has awarded dozens of scholarships and grants, mainly in Delaware County.

"Supporting schools and hospitals is one of our main goals," said David. The pair also makes grants to arts organizations and historical societies in many local towns and villages.

The Community Foundation provides an easy way for the Barbers to field requests for support, receiving grant proposals and sending Joyce and David the ones that match the goals of their fund. At the same time, the Barbers reach out to local institutions to make sure they know about this potential source of support.

One of the fund's most recent grants supported the trap shooting team at South Kortright Central Schools. But for Joyce, perhaps the most memorable gift was also its first, to support a reading initiative called the Thousand Books Program at the Stamford Central Schools. The funding helped the school library stock 100 backpacks with ten books each, which students could take home to read.

"Everybody loved it," Joyce recalled. "After some years, there were students who had taken home and read all the books."

# Super Heroes Build a Super Space

Oneonta's Super Heroes Humane Society was founded to fill a gap in local services, especially to help animal lovers of modest means.

Incorporated as a nonprofit in 2018, the small, volunteer-driven group rented vehicles to take animals to a low-cost spay and neuter clinic in Hudson, N.Y. It also established a free pet food pantry and offered free pet boarding for people who faced hospitalizations or other emergencies.

In 2019, the Humane Society leased a space that used to be a veterinary clinic on the first floor of a residential building. Having dedicated space was a big help, but as demand kept growing, those quarters became cramped.

The shelter also faced another challenge. "New York State passed new regulations for animal rescues and shelters in the state, and they go into effect in 2025," said Kristin Kulow, the organization's development director. "You have to be compliant, or you are no longer operating."

Infrastructure in the leased space—from the construction of its kennels to the design of its air handling system—didn't meet the new state requirements. The Humane Society considered upgrading its quarters, but that would have been too expensive, Kulow said.

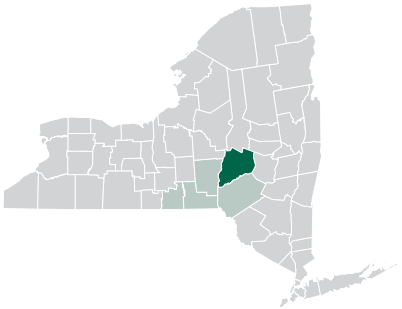
So, to comply with the new regulations and gain some badly-needed elbow room, Super Heroes Humane Society made plans to build an entirely new facility. It completed the first phase of construction and moved its operations into the building in the spring of 2024. The Community Foundation granted $20,000 toward this project.

Along with better housing for animals and more space for humans, the new building provides inviting areas where prospective adopters can meet with dogs or cats. "When you walk in, everyone who's available for adoption will be visible," Kulow said. "You'll walk past the two community cat rooms on either side. And then you'll be able to look in on the kennels for the dogs, and go in to visit with them."

In phase two of construction, the building will gain a community room, where the Humane Society can host programs such as classes for children and training for people who want to foster animals at home. With more space, it will also be easier to bring in volunteers to give animals one-on-one attention.

"Now we can actually take advantage of these volunteers who want to come in and socialize," Kulow said. "That's only going to be better for the animals."

A furry friend gets a new home



**2023 GRANTS IN OTSEGO COUNTY**

**$295,848**
Total Grant Amount

**25**
Grants

**58,524**
Population

DONOR SPOTLIGHT

## Funds Help College-Bound Oneonta Graduates

Students graduating from Oneonta High School can look to two Community Foundation scholarship funds for possible help with college expenses.

One of those sources is the Wanda Gallup Busharis Memorial Scholarship Fund. After graduating from Oneonta High School in 1941, Wanda moved to New York City, where she trained as a physician's assistant and worked in that role for several years. She married John Busharis in 1951 and eventually left her medical practice to raise their children, later returning to work as an administrator.

Wanda cherished her high school friendships and regularly traveled to Oneonta for class reunions. Throughout her life, she also stayed interested in medical issues, especially medical research. Each year, the scholarship created in her memory helps a student from Oneonta High School go to college to study in a field related to health care.

The Sonja Dunlavey (Baranowski) and Nicholas Sparaco Memorial Scholarship Fund awards $1,000 each year to a graduate of Oneonta High School who will pursue a four year college degree. In establishing the fund, the donor, Linda Brandt, specified that the scholarship should go to a student who aims for a career in health care, the military or another field that involves service to people.

# Enhancing Tioga's Business Scene with Diversity and Youth

New faces, ideas and energy keep a local economy vibrant. In 2023, the Community Foundation gave the Tioga County Chamber of Commerce grants for two programs designed to help Tioga County's business community stay vigorous and fresh.

Members of the Tioga County Chamber of Commerce Junior Chamber program

One of those programs supports the success of minority-owned enterprises while promoting diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI). The other helps young people learn about business and gain leadership skills. The Foundation granted each program $5,000.

The DEI initiative underwrites Tioga Chamber memberships for minority entrepreneurs and pays their fees for booths at local events, such as the Tioga Downs and Tioga Chamber Business Expo or the Owego Strawberry festival. For example, one local photographer—a person of color who had mainly been serving clients outside the county—set up a booth at the 2023 Business Expo and took headshots of people at the event.

"It gave him the opportunity to reach a whole separate market," said Sabrina Henriques, president and CEO of the Tioga Chamber. "It was also great for us, because we were able to show the diversity of the businesses that were there."

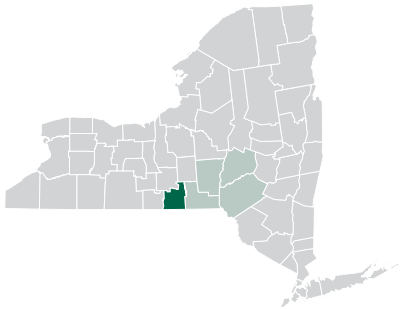
Tioga's DEI initiative also conducts workshops for local businesses. The Chamber hopes these classes will foster a business environment where minority entrepreneurs feel welcome, so they'll want to stay. "There's a big difference between attracting minorities and keeping them," Henriques said.

The Junior Chamber of Commerce program offers activities that help high school students gain leadership and team building experience and interact with business professionals and political leaders. For instance, ten Junior Chamber members played a prominent role in the most recent Business Expo. "They helped to set up and break down," Henriques said. "They also were required to go to every booth and introduce themselves."

In 2024, two Junior Chamber members are participating in the Leadership Tioga program, which helps local residents learn about community issues and pursue leadership roles in areas that interest them. "I told them that the goal of this is to meet people and make connections, so when you're ready to go for a job and you need a letter of recommendation, you're going to be able to get it," Henriques said.

Each student who completes the Junior Chamber program receives a $1,000 scholarship upon graduation from high school.

The Junior Chamber is making a real difference for young people in Tioga County, and it would be great to be able to expand the program, Henriques said. " We want to build that next generation, and this is the place to do it."

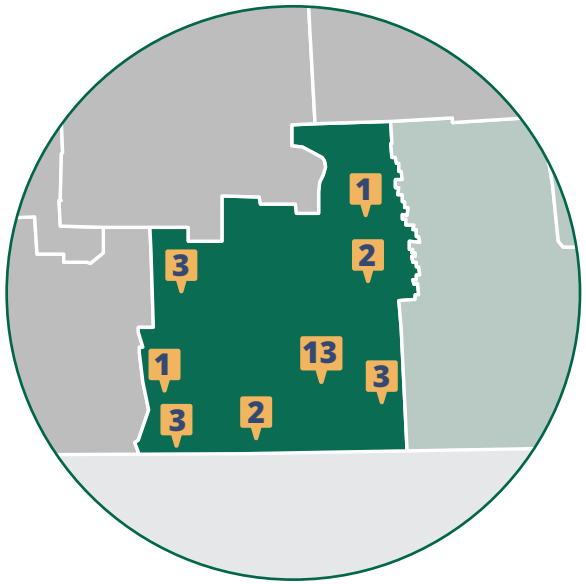


**2023 GRANTS IN TIOGA COUNTY**

**$143,245**
Total Grant Amount

**28**
Grants

**48,455**
Population



Intrepid travellers Bob and Laura Jensen

*"I came home one day and said to Laura, this would be a legacy we could leave behind that would support Tioga County nonprofits forever."*

**– BOB JENSEN**

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## A Lasting Legacy For Tioga County

Bob Jensen got a close-up look at the power of donor advised funds during the four years he served as the Community Foundation's program officer. Shortly before Bob retired in 2012, he and his wife, Laura, took some of that power into their own hands, creating the Robert E. and Laura J. Jensen Fund. Their primary goal was to support causes in Tioga County.

"We've always donated to charitable causes," said Bob. "I came home one day and said to Laura, this would be a legacy we could leave behind that would support Tioga County nonprofits forever."

Over the years, the Jensens have directed support to organizations such as the Tioga Open Door Mission, The Tioga County Historical Society, Tioga United Way, Lions Camp Badger in Spencer, the Apalachin Library, the Waterman Conservation Education Center, the Tioga Arts Council and the Susquehanna Archaeology Center.

A **donor advised fund** is an efficient philanthropic tool, letting an individual support a variety of causes by writing a single check each year, Bob said. "Then you can specify the organizations you would have contributed to anyway, and let the Community Foundation do the paperwork." Because the Foundation uses a professional investment manager to steward its funds, donors gain extra grantmaking muscle over time, he said. "As the principle amount has grown, we've had more money available for donations than we would have otherwise."

# Women's Fund at 20+: More Powerful, More Diverse

The Women's Fund entered its third decade in 2023 as a much stronger force for women's empowerment than when it launched in the early 2000s.

The first year the fund made grants, it awarded a total of $2,400 to four organizations. In 2023, the Women's Fund supported seven projects or programs with $48,050 in grants, and since its inception it has made more than 118 grants in all, totaling $375,060.

Early fundraising efforts at the Women's Fund were grassroots affairs. Supporters spread the word by hosting breakfasts, luncheons or cocktail parties for friends and colleagues. "The idea was to get small groups of women together to tell them about the fund and encourage them to become donors," said Diane Brown, former executive director of the Community Foundation and a founding supporter of the Women's Fund.

Later, the fund hosted a series of salons, meeting at women-owned businesses throughout the Community Foundation's five-county region to discuss topics such as women's history and hookup culture in college. "We tried to deploy every possible way to get women together to talk about the fund," Brown said.

Probably the most effective "friendraising" event has been the Women's Fund's annual breakfast, which draws large crowds to learn about recent grants and hear talks by prominent women such as Maureen Corrigan, Maria Hinajosa, Hali Lee, Rebecca Traister and Margaret Trudeau.

"Our breakfast has continued to bring in younger women, and we've tried to expand by getting people to attend from the five counties that we serve," said Rita Ernstrom, another founding donor, who has served on the fund's leadership committee. Some recent speakers have augmented their talks with workshops, she said. And the breakfast has helped draw more varied and inclusive groups of women into the fund.

Ebony Hattoh, a recent addition to the leadership committee, recalls the pleasure she took in attending a fundraising event that drew an especially diverse crowd. "It was a matter not only of economic status, but of gender identity, where they work, their interests in supporting the fund, and who they represent throughout all the counties," she said.

While raising money and giving grants, increasingly the Women's Fund also throws a spotlight on key issues for women, such as mental health and restorative justice. And while it has always supported services that help women and girls, more often these days it also funds programs that empower women and girls to become leaders who help others, Ernstrom said. "As part of supporting women and girls, we are a factor in raising awareness and part of the education process."

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The Community Foundation awarded a total of **$2,898,849** to **488** organizations and programs and **$316,250** to **114** scholarship recipients in 2023.

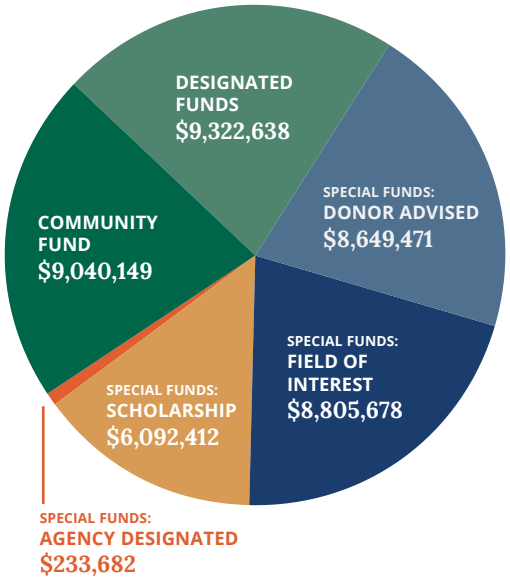
**2023 FUNDS & GRANTEES LISTING**

To view the list of our funds, legacy society, and 2023 grantees, please scan the QR code with a smartphone, or visit:
**https://tinyurl.com/2023grantsfunds**

# Financial Statements *(unaudited)*

### Statement Of Financial Position as of December 31, 2023

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **ASSETS** | | |
| CASH | $ | 1,658,837 |
| INVESTMENTS, at fair value | | 41,950,692 |
| OTHER ASSETS | | 196,013 |
| **TOTAL ASSETS** | **$** | **$43,805,542** |
| **LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS** | | |
| ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES | $ | 231,927 |
| GRANTS PAYABLE | | 1,325,442 |
| ENDOWMENTS HELD FOR OTHERS | | 104,140 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES | | 1,661,509 |
| NET ASSETS, unrestricted | | 42,144,033 |
| **TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS** | **$** | **43,805,542** |




### Statement Of Activities as of December 31, 2023

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **REVENUES AND SUPPORT** | | |
| Contributions | $ | 7,322,136 |
| Interest and dividends | | 916,570 |
| Net realized and unrealized loss on investments | | 4,292,249 |
| Other income | | 465,347 |
| **TOTAL REVENUES AND SUPPORT** | **$** | **12,996,302** |
| **EXPENSES** | | |
| PROGRAM SERVICES: | | |
| Grantmaking | | |
| Grants made | $ | 3,215,099 |
| Grant administrative expense | | 190,419 |
| Total grantmaking | | 3,405,518 |
| Managing charitable funds | | 67,455 |
| Community education and involvement | | 120,380 |
| Total program services | $ | 3,593,353 |
| SUPPORTING SERVICES: | | |
| Finance and general administration | | 463,098 |
| Development and donor relations | | 85,218 |
| Total supporting services | | 548,316 |
| **TOTAL EXPENSES** | **$** | **4,141,669** |
| **INCREASE IN NET ASSETS** | | **8,854,633** |
| **NET ASSETS, beginning of year** | | **33,289,400** |
| **NET ASSETS, end of year** | **$** | **42,144,033** |

## Become a part of our connected community

### Interested in opening a charitable fund?

Contact Development Officer Shawn Graham at sgraham@donorshocare.org

### Interested in applying for a grant?

Contact Program Officer Stacy Mastrogiacomo at stacym@donorswhocare.org

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