

**Newfield Community Good Neighbor Fund
Annual Letter October 2021**

It is with optimistic hearts that we reconnect with our neighbors and give an update about our organization's community outreach during the past year. We are hopeful that we all will continue to rebuild the social rituals and traditions previously embedded in our lives, as well as accepting those we don't have anymore. With the vaccine, an awareness of social distancing and other precautionary practices, things are picking back up again. It's important to recognize, and maybe even grieve, that things have changed.

Despite the changes, CGNF remained true to our mission as stated on the front page of this letter. We realized that we don't have to change *who* we are, we only had to change *how* we would do things. Here is how we continued to serve our beloved community: entering our 40th year

- Continued to meet monthly during the pandemic: Proving that technology and collaboration can work!
- Continued to provide emergency financial assistance for those who qualified
- Operated the food pantry: This year we had doubled the number of bimonthly patrons we serve and expanded program hours during winter months
- Assistance to the Newfield School District: Even with students in a hybrid learning system, we were able to help with hygiene kits for students in our district. We are thankful for the students who continued to volunteer during this time!
- Christmas giving programs for Newfield Seniors and Make a Child Smile were successfully completed
- Collaboration with the Newfield Public Library for pantry meals: A "recipe of the month" is offered that incorporates commonly used food items. The library donates the extra supplies that go along with the recipe (spices or other items)
- Fundraisers: Doug's Fish Fry, Texas Roadhouse
- Summer Camp Scholarships: This year we provided more scholarships than ever to financially assist kids to attend the Newfield Recreation Day Camp

We thank you for your generous donations and monetary support. The attached financial report will explain how we utilize our funds and will illustrate that we would not be able to meet the needs of others without your contributions.

Donating is easy! You can donate by using PayPal on our website at www.newfieldcgnf.com, our mailing address: PO Box 311, Newfield NY 14867, or in person at the Newfield Town Hall (166 Main Street, Newfield NY)

Thank you to the organizations that continue to support CGNF over the years:

King Hiram Lodge, Lions Club, Tioga State Bank, Ithaca Elks Lodge, Newfield Central School District, IthaCAN and several local charities and businesses.

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