

Newfield Community Good Neighbor Fund (CGNF)

2023 Annual Report



Mission Statement

CGNF, founded in 1982, is committed to providing assistance to those in our community when in need or emergencies arise.

With limited funds, all derived from donations or fundraisers, dedicated volunteers and committee members become a conduit to administer aid in a modest and respectful, while encouraging and supportive manner. In this endeavor they hope to promote responsible caring citizens in our community on both the giving and receiving ends and stability for children, families and individuals; thus promoting "Good Neighbors".

CGNF committee Members:

- Amy Brown ● Diana Bryant ● Carol Guckert ● Rev. Geri Judd ● Ruth Keagle
- Joleen Krogman ● Indy Miner ● Linda Rumsey-Ebert ● Christine Seamon
- Marge Strosnider ● Roy Trask

Request Committee Members:

- Mary Beth Gehring-Smith 607-564-7016 ● Pam Scott 607-564-7683
- Karen Miller-Kenerson 607-564-9768 ● Joanne James 716-471-8254

Hello Neighbors!

October 2023

This year we were privileged to be able to work with Michelle Volpini, a local ceramics artist who created one of a kind, beautiful pieces that bear the Kitchen Cupboard (Newfield Food Pantry) logo. These items are remarkable-inherently strong but potentially fragile. Isn't this the perfect summation of the human spirit?



Kintsukuroi is the centuries-old Japanese art of fixing broken pottery. Rather than rejoin ceramic pieces with a camouflaged adhesive, the kintsugi technique employs a special tree sap lacquer dusted with powdered gold, silver, or platinum. Once completed, beautiful seams of gold glint in the conspicuous cracks of ceramic wares, giving a one-of-a-kind appearance to each "repaired" piece.

Finances. Relationships. Friendships. Employment Barriers. Physical and Mental Health: We may be whole in one area but broken in another. We may have been broken but are slowly mending. We may be in a place of wholeness that brings contentment.

If you feel broken, we are here. If you feel mended, we are here. If you feel whole, we are here.

For those of us who are feeling whole, please share with those who are broken or mending. We thank you for your generous donations and monetary support.

This year we are asking for your financial support to address a specific allocation of our funding: The Kitchen Cupboard. A common misconception is that all the food the kitchen cupboard provides is free. While a few items are obtained at no cost from the Food Bank of the Southern Tier, the majority of the food and personal care items are purchased from the FBST and local stores. We receive some grant funding, however these funds do not come close to covering the total cost of the food that we distribute.

Without the generous monetary contributions to CGNF, the food pantry would not be able to provide needed assistance to our community.

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. You will see that the largest of our expenditures are tied into the Kitchen Cupboard/Food Pantry. Along with payments to the Food Bank of the Southern Tier and supplemental items that are shopped for by our dedicated volunteers, we request your financial support to keep this program, as well as our other assistance opportunities going.

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 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, United Way of Tompkins Co, Ithaca Elks Lodge, Newfield Central School District and several local charities and businesses.

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September 1, 2022- August 31, 2023

Balance Forward: August 31, 2022 \$30,807.04

Receipts

Donations Community Members	\$21,580.24
Community Organizations and Businesses	\$ 7,700.00
Food Pantry Designated Gifts	\$5,616.20
Food Panty and CGNF Fund Raiser Events	\$2,043.20
<u>Interest from Savings and Certificates of Deposit</u>	<u>\$ 137.46</u>

Total Receipts (9/1/2022- 8/31/2023) \$37,077.10

Disbursements

Food Pantry/Personal Care Items/ 0-3 Child items	\$20,831.03
Food Pantry Operating Expenses	\$2,613.63
Housing/Home Care Assistance	\$2,936.19
Utilities/Fuel Assistance	\$2,003.86
Auto Repair/Insurance Assistance	\$2,387.37
Medical Assistance	\$416.00
Christmas Assistance	\$75.00
Summer Camp Assistance	\$2,721.00
NCGNF Operating Expenses	\$1,028.18
<u>Fund Raising Expenses</u>	<u>\$1,486.41</u>

Total Disbursements \$36,498.67

Ending Balance August 31, 2023 \$31,385.47