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**2015-2016 Community Foundation Scholarships Available for
Students in Jefferson, Lewis and St. Lawrence Counties**

The Northern New York Community Foundation is now accepting scholarship application packets from student residents of Jefferson, Lewis and St. Lawrence counties. High school seniors from Jefferson, Lewis and St. Lawrence counties who will be full-time undergraduates in the fall of 2015 may apply for a one-year freshman scholarship.

For the first time the Foundation is allowing non-traditional students from all three counties to apply to its non-traditional scholarship program. “We are pleased to have the opportunity to open our non-traditional scholarship program to students in St. Lawrence County this year. In years past the opportunity was only available to students residing in Jefferson or Lewis County,” states April L. Fallon, Coordinator of Partnerships. “Non-traditional students are those individuals who have not only gone back to college, but may have had to switch careers altogether. Non-traditional students are juggling college, family and work obligations. It is more than rewarding to assist these individuals,” continues Ms. Fallon. The Foundation awarded 17 one-year, non-traditional scholarships for the 2014-15 academic year. Non-traditional students may be enrolled as full-time or part-time students.

Scholarship application packets can be downloaded and printed from the Foundation’s website, www.nnycf.org, and are also available at high school guidance offices. Completed application packets must be returned to the Foundation, or postmarked, by April 1, 2015. The application deadline for non-traditional students has been extended to June 1, 2015. Complete application packets must include the student’s application; essay; appraisal forms; references; and official transcript(s). No application packets, or individual pieces of the required packet, will be accepted after these dates for any reason.

Last year the Foundation awarded 505 scholarships totaling \$845,688 to 414 students. Since 1980 the Foundation has awarded more than \$12.4 million in scholarships.

The Northern New York Community Foundation makes grants to support the work of non-profit organizations and provides scholarships to individuals in Jefferson, Lewis and St. Lawrence Counties. This work is made possible by donors who have established permanent, charitable funds with the Foundation during their lifetimes or through their wills and have a general broad and enduring interest in supporting the quality of life in the North Country.