



Northern New York
Community Foundation

Stage Notes
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Community Spirit Youth Giving Challenge

\$10,000 in grants are up to YOU!

The Northern New York Community Foundation, in partnership with Stage Notes, presents the **2017 Youth Giving Challenge**. This program provides an opportunity for students in 7th and 8th grades, attending school in Jefferson or Lewis County, to explore the concept of “community” and provide funding to local charitable organizations that exemplify and support what they feel makes their community great. **A total of \$10,000 in community grants will be distributed through this initiative, with multiple winners at various levels.** This endeavor is made possible through the Northern New York Community Foundation’s Annual Fund and through a portion from the proceeds of this year’s Stage Notes performances.



Important Dates

- The challenge begins on **Tuesday, October 10, 2017**.
- Entries must be postmarked by **Friday, November 3, 2017** to be considered.
- Announcement of the winning submissions will be on or before **November 20, 2017**.
- Grants will be personally presented to organizations by the winning students before **December 31, 2017**.

Eligibility

- Students in **7th and 8th grade** attending school in **Jefferson OR Lewis County**.

Eligible Organizations

- Charitable organizations, with current 501 (c)(3) designation, located within Jefferson, Lewis and St. Lawrence counties are eligible to receive funds. As sponsors of this program, the Northern New York Community Foundation and Stage Notes are excluded from receiving funding.

Judging

- Entries will be reviewed by a committee. There will be multiple winners at various grant levels.
- **BE CREATIVE! Research charitable organizations of all sizes, scope and mission!**

Other

- **Return entries to: Northern New York Community Foundation, 131 Washington St., Watertown, NY 13601.**
- Questions? Contact the Community Foundation at 315-782-7110 or info@nnycf.org. Additional entry forms are available on the Foundation’s website, www.nnycf.org.



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Student _____

Parent/Guardian _____

Address _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

School _____ Grade level _____

Signature of parent/guardian _____

QUESTION 1: (Use the space below or attach a separate sheet)

What does the word “community” mean to YOU? Tell us what you love about YOUR community and what you feel makes it a great place to live.

QUESTION 2: (Use the space below or attach a separate sheet)

Choose a charitable organization located in Jefferson, Lewis or St. Lawrence county that you believe helps make your community a better place. Explain why you feel that organization supports what you feel makes your community a great place to live.

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Entries must be postmarked or hand-delivered no later than November 3, 2017.**

Eligible organizations must have 501(c)(3) status and be located within Jefferson, Lewis or St. Lawrence counties. Students are expected to personally present their grant to their chosen charitable organization and agree to be included in any publicity regarding the program and/or grant. As sponsors of this initiative, the Northern New York Community Foundation and Stage Notes are not eligible to receive funding.