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\$30,000 Community Foundation Grant Will Support Food Pantries in Three Counties

At its last meeting of the year today, the Northern New York Community Foundation Board of Directors approved three grants totaling \$46,850. The largest grant, \$30,000 was made to supply 37 food pantries in Jefferson, Lewis and St. Lawrence counties, as well as the Watertown Salvation Army soup kitchen. The grant will be administered by the Food Bank of Central New York, who makes distributions in the three counties. By partnering with the Food Bank, the Community Foundation is able to leverage more food per dollar. "We know that this grant has the potential to reach many in our three-county service area. It is the one thing we do each year that has such broad and meaningful impact to those in need." said Rande S. Richardson, Foundation executive director.

Grants approved were:

- Food Bank of Central New York \$30,000 to supply 37 food pantries in Jefferson, Lewis and St. Lawrence counties as well as the Salvation Army soup kitchen. This grant is made possible, in part, by the Grace Reinman Fund and the Joan Davis Fund.
- **Thousand Islands Land Trust \$10,000** in support of their 2013 summer land steward program. *This grant made possible, in part, by the River Fund and the Grace Reinman Fund.*
- **Meals on Wheels of Greater Watertown \$6,850** to supplement their basic services as well as the purchase of a computer and related equipment. *This grant is made possible, in part, by the Alex Velto Community Fund.*

The Northern New York Community Foundation, Inc. manages and administers a permanent endowment and funds for the benefit of the community. Guided by a board of community leaders, the Foundation makes grants to support the work of non-profit organizations and provides scholarships to individuals in Jefferson, Lewis and St. Lawrence Counties.

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