Community Foundation Approves Grants

The Northern New York Community Foundation Board of Directors today approved ten grants totaling over $30,000 to benefit area organizations and programs.

The following grants were approved, as recommended by the Watertown High School Youth Philanthropy Council:

- **Indian River Backpack Food Program - $2,300**
  Start-up funds to offer a new food backpack program at Indian River Middle School.

- **Canton Golden Bear Packs Program - $2,000**
  Sustainability support for Canton Central School’s food and nutrition backpack program for the 2014-15 school year.

- **Association for the Blind & Visually Impaired of Jefferson County - $1,500**
  Support for the adaptive aids program.

- **USO Fort Drum - $1,500**
  Supplies for the solider center.

- **Community Action Planning Council of Jefferson County - $1,200**
  To purchase school supplies and other personal care items.

- **Literacy of Northern New York - $1,000**
  To purchase materials to prepare students for new high school equivalency exams.

Other grants approved were:

- **Wanakena Historical Association - $10,000**
  To support the Wanakena Footbridge restoration/rebuilding campaign.

- **Macsherry Library, Alexandria Bay - $5,000**
  Funding to purchase microfilm reader/printer.

- **Norwood Village Green Concert Series - $5,000**
  Purchase of new lighting infrastructure for their concert venue.

- **St. Lawrence County Arts Council - $2,000**
  Support for the Potsdam Plein Arts Festival