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**Grant Funding Available for Non-Profits  
Serving Clayton and Cape Vincent communities**

Non-profit organizations providing critical programs and services to citizens in the Clayton and Cape Vincent communities are encouraged to review and apply for grant support through two funds at the Northern New York Community Foundation.

The grant guidelines for the Dale Kenyon Community Fund and the Lighthouse Fund at the Community Foundation are now available. The deadline to submit a proposal for either fund is April 21, 2017.

“These two funds provide unique sources of support for nonprofit organizations within a specific geographic area. We are grateful to the donors who have chosen to make a difference in this directed way,” said Rande Richardson, Community Foundation executive director. “We encourage eligible organizations to apply so we can continue to broaden the how the two funds help impact the quality of life in these communities,” he said.

Since being established in 2013, the Dale Kenyon Community Fund has supported a variety of non-profit projects impacting residents living in the village and town of Clayton. Last year, three grants totaling \$5,000 were awarded to augment the mission and work of the Thousand Islands Emergency Rescue Service, Clayton Council of Churches Food Pantry, and the Thousand Islands Young Leaders Organization. Past recipients also include the Thousand Islands Performing Arts Fund at the Clayton Opera House and the Depauville Free Library. This year, up to \$5,000 in grant funding is available.

The Lighthouse Fund was created in 2014 to assist non-profit organizations helping underserved and vulnerable populations living in the Clayton and Cape Vincent communities. With a \$1,000 grant, the Cape Vincent Improvement League expanded on the development of a community garden in the village. A \$1,000 matching grant was also awarded to the Cape

Vincent Food Pantry to build support for their agency during the holiday season. Up to \$2,000 is available from the Lighthouse Fund this year.

The Community Foundation encourages non-profit organizations in the Clayton and Cape Vincent communities to consider this geographic resource. Please contact Max DelSignore, Community Foundation assistant director, to learn more about these funding opportunities or to obtain the grant guidelines for either fund. You may reach him at (315) 782-7110 or via email at [max@nnycf.org](mailto:max@nnycf.org).

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. The Foundation has been built and added to from gifts (both while living and through legacy plans) by individuals and organizations committed to meeting the changing needs of Northern New York, as well as supporting specific charitable interests and passions. The Community Foundation is located at the Northern New York Philanthropy Center in Watertown.

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