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Youth Philanthropy Council Accepting Proposals For \$20,000 in Grant Funding

The Youth Philanthropy Council of the Northern New York Community Foundation is accepting grant requests from non-profit organizations for programs, projects or initiatives positively impacting the quality of life in Jefferson, Lewis and St. Lawrence counties. Agencies providing services in the tri-county area are encouraged to apply. The council will evaluate all proposals and have up to \$20,000 to award in grant funding.

This year, the Youth Philanthropy Council consists of 14 representatives from three local school districts: Watertown High School, Immaculate Heart Central School, and Sackets Harbor Central School. Council members will assess all grant proposals from non-profits and notify finalists to present their grant requests to the council this spring. The council will determine grant recommendations, and the Community Foundation's board of directors will review the council's recommendations at their quarterly meeting in June 2017.

Grant requests to be considered by the Youth Philanthropy Council must be received by the Community Foundation no later than February 1, 2017. The program is made possible through the generosity of Watertown Savings Bank, Renzi Foodservice, RBC Wealth Management, and annual gifts made to Friends of the Community Foundation Community Betterment Fund.

Non-profit organizations interested in applying for grant funding through the Youth Philanthropy Council may contact council advisors Max DelSignore (max@nnycf.org) or April Fallon (april@nnycf.org) to obtain the program's grant guidelines. Proposals should include a general description of the organization and request, the grant amount requested, how the funding will be utilized and the expected impact of the program or project.

SUBMITTED PHOTO – Youth Philanthropy Council members (Pictured left to right):

First row: Hannah Pitcher (Sackets Harbor), Marialena Mouaikel (IHC), Madeline Gist (Watertown), Megan Welch (IHC), Makayla Fiorentino (Watertown), Caroline McPherson (IHC), Rozanna Pasowicz (Watertown)

Second row: Alicia Cloe (Sackets Harbor), Lauryn Quinn (IHC), Kyler Martin (Sackets Harbor), Ryder Simser (Watertown), Dominic Duah (IHC), Grayden Brunet (Sackets Harbor), Kehinde Fasehun (Watertown)