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\$10,000 from George R. Davis Fund for Lowville to Support Seven Area Projects

The George R. Davis Fund of the Northern New York Community Foundation will provide \$10,000 in total grant support for seven projects in the Lowville area. The geographic-specific fund serves as a permanent resource for programs, projects and initiatives that will enhance the quality of life in the village and town of Lowville in perpetuity.

The Lowville Food Pantry will receive a \$3,400 grant from the George Davis Fund this year. Funding will be utilized to conduct a feasibility study of a building where bowling pin manufacturer Quibeca AMF once operated in the village of Lowville. The building was donated by Quibeca AMF to the food pantry in 2016. Initial plans are to relocate the food pantry to the donated building and explore other options to create a community space. "This fund continues to make a difference each year in a specific geographic area that Judge Davis cared so much about. It is wonderful to see his impact continue to help with programs that make a difference," said Rande Richardson, Community Foundation executive director.

A three-person committee reviews the grant applications from the George R. Davis Fund each year. The other six approved grants are:

- Lewis County Search & Rescue \$1,545 for the purchase of new radio equipment.
- Mountain View Prevention Services \$1,250 to assist with programming costs for collaborative programming targeting drug overdose awareness and education.
- **Boys Scouts of America, Lowville Troop #162 \$1,250** to help increase youth participation for boy scouts summer camp in 2018.
- U.S. Bowling Congress, Inc. (Lowville Youth Bowling League) \$1,055 to provide support for additional youth tournaments and increase participation with children.

- Future Farmers of America, Lowville Chapter \$1,000 to help produce additional meal kits, as part of the chapter's "Meals for Hope" event this fall.
- Cornell Cooperative Extension of Lewis County \$500 for the development of a
 program designed to educate youth about gardening.

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 their 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.