Introduction: The Kenneth V. and Jeannette Remp Sawyer Community Fund was established in 2018 to support programs, projects and initiatives designed to broadly impact, and enhance the quality of life in the communities of Boonville, Constableville, and Westernville in perpetuity.

Kenneth V. Sawyer and Jeannette Remp Sawyer were passionate about the quality of life in their community. They participated in many community events and activities over the years and also served on local boards and committees. They believed that contributing to community with meaningful acts of philanthropy are key to a fulfilling life.

Mr. Sawyer was a Boonville native, served in the United States Army, and enjoyed a gratifying career at Layng Furniture Company and as a supervisor at Erwin Park in Boonville. Most notably, he was a talented musician. He played tenor saxophone in high school band and clarinet with the Boonville Village Band. He frequently played with three separate drum and bugle corps in Boonville and Rome. Mr. Sawyer passed away in 2008.

Mrs. Sawyer completed a successful career of over 45 years at Rome Savings Bank and was an avid follower of the stock market. She also served on the finance committee of the Boonville United Methodist Church. She also assisted organizations such as the Daughters of the American Revolution, Dodge Pratt Northam Art and Community Center, the Erwin Library, and the Boonville Cemetery. Mrs. Sawyer passed away in 2015.

Through this community fund, the Sawyer family was able to establish a lasting charitable resource through the Community Foundation that will positively impact the community forever.

Non-profit organizations serving the Boonville, Constableville and Westernville communities are encouraged to review the guidelines for the community fund and apply for grant support.
Kenneth V. and Jeannette Remp Sawyer
Community Fund Application

Targeted Population – The communities of Boonville, Constableville, and Westernville, as well as its organizations and citizens.

General Eligibility and Purposes – Non-profit organizations or individuals who collaborate with a non-profit or a government entity may apply in support of one or more of the following community needs:

Focus Areas -
1. Human/Social Needs
2. Arts and Culture Activities
3. Historical Preservation and Related Activities
4. Community Building/Special Events
5. Recreational Needs/Activities
6. Youth Development Activities
7. General Quality of Life Activities/Projects
8. Educational Programs for the Community
9. Other

Grant Funding Available – Up to $40,000 is available in 2020. Please note that multiple requests may receive support.

Application Process – Please complete this application and attach any supporting documents to help complete a thorough application.

Name of organization: ___________________________________________________________

Grant Application Contact: _______________________________________________________

Address: _______________________________________________________________________

Email: ___________________________ Phone #: ___________________________

Tax Exempt Status/EIN Number: _________________________________________________

If an individual, please identify a sponsoring group who will support/work with you:

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Projects will have a maximum of a one year time period to finish the work.
Community Improvement Idea/Concept – Describe the project you are planning to accomplish and how this will benefit the citizens in the respective communities impacted by this community fund. Include when this would occur and any other pertinent information.

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Budget – Project budget through implementation – Please identify by major category/itemize any equipment, services, supplies you’ll purchase through the grant. Please clearly identify secured and other pending funding sources for your request: ________________

Total Amount Requested = ________________

In-Kind Support – What in-kind services, direct financial support and/or labor will you and your organization contribute to this project beyond this grant? __________________________

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Collaboration with Others – Will you partner with other organizations? If so, please share those organizations: ________________________________________________________________

Past Record of Success – Does your organization have a past record of successfully accomplishing a project(s) similar to this grant? Please identify any community projects that related to any of the focus areas (page 1) ____________________________________________

Projected outcomes – Please share the projected outcomes of your request, should you receive support from the community fund. Also, please note how your organization will recognize and appropriately steward grant funding and the community fund: ________________________________________________________________

Deadline – Grant proposals must be received or postmarked to the Northern New York Community Foundation by no later than April 24, 2020. No requests will be considered beyond this date.

Grant Award and Review – All applicants will be notified by the Northern New York Community Foundation of the status of their grant by the end of June 2020.

Grant Report – It is a requirement that grant recipients submit a grant report provided by the Northern New York Community Foundation by the completion of your project. An incomplete report may affect future funding requests.

How to Submit a Proposal – Please send completed grant proposals to the Northern New York Community Foundation, Attn: Max DelSignore, 131 Washington St., Watertown, NY 13601. Proposals may also be submitted via email to max@nnycf.org.

Questions/Clarification – Please contact the Northern New York Community Foundation at (315) 782-7110, or via email at max@nnycf.org.