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Clifton Park Announces 2022 Community Action Fund Award Winners

On February 4, 2019 Supervisor Barrett announced the establishment of a Community Action Fund. The Fund provides an opportunity for community non-profit organizations to apply for funding to support programs and projects that would result in a tangible benefit to Clifton Park and its residents. Financial support of the Community Action Fund is generated by the donation of bottles and cans that can be redeemed for a deposit. No Town funds are used to support the program.

Town Supervisor Barrett noticed a large quantity of redeemable bottles and cans in the recycling bins at the Town Transfer Station. The goal was to provide a donation option for people adjacent to the recycling bins. The donations would allow the Town to capture revenue from the redeemable bottles and cans. The funds could then be used to support community organizations and strengthen the Town's social infrastructure.

A committee consisting of Supervisor Barrett, Councilwoman Walowit and several community representatives was established to make a series of recommendations to the Town Board relating to the establishment of an application process and criteria. The committee met in the Spring of 2019 and formalized the application process, establishing that applications would be due September 30th of each year, organizations serving Clifton Park residents could apply and requests would be limited to a maximum of \$1,000. Requests for applications were released in August of 2022 and disseminated through Town social media and Town website.

On Tuesday, October 11, 2022, the Community Action Fund Committee met to review all applications received by the deadline and made recommendations for awarding the \$10,000.00 in available funds. The Town Board unanimously approved the committee's recommendations at the November 7, 2022, Board Meeting and checks to the organizations were presented during the regularly scheduled Town Board Meeting at Clifton Park Town Hall.

The following grant awards were made:

APPLICANT: Band Boosters of Shenendehowa
DESIGNEE: Band Boosters pf Shenendehowa
AWARD: \$200.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used to support the Shen Colorguard

APPLICANT: Shenendehowa Rotary Club
DESIGNEE: Shenendehowa Rotary Club
AWARD: \$300.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used to purchase dictionaries for 650 Third grade students
At Shen.

APPLICANT: The Community Hospice Foundation
DESIGNEE: The Community Hospice Foundation
AWARD: \$250.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used to purchase therapy tools for use in children's Counseling services.

APPLICANT: Clifton Park Elks Lodge #2466
DESIGNEE: Eagle Scout Project- Alexander Tristan
AWARD: \$400.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used to restore the Zen Maze on the McGaffin Trail.

APPLICANT: Friends of Historic Grooms Tavern
DESIGNEE: Friends of Historic Grooms Tavern
AWARD: \$250.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used to work on Tavern, Blacksmith shop and Grange Along with installing an exterior events sign.

APPLICANT: Boy Scouts of America Troop 4006
DESIGNEE: Eagle Scout Project- Andrew Choi
AWARD: \$210.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used to purchase materials for educational composting Project.

APPLICANT: Clifton Park Elks Lodge #2466
DESIGNEE: Clifton Park Elks Lodge #2466
AWARD: \$450.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used to support Veterans events, Elktoberfest, and playground Equipment at the Lodge.

APPLICANT: Girl Scouts of Northeastern New York
DESIGNEE: Girl Scout Troop 2058
AWARD: \$425.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used to buy supplemental personal care items to assemble toiletry Kits for clients at CAPTAIN and WELLSRING.

APPLICANT: St. Peter's Hospital Foundation
DESIGNEE: Schuyler Ridge Residential Healthcare
AWARD: \$250.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used to secure the Saratoga County History Center at Brookside Museum to provide monthly programs for residents.

APPLICANT: Faith Food Pantry
DESIGNEE: Faith Food Pantry
AWARD: \$100.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used to provide training for volunteers working in the food pantry.

APPLICANT: Friends of Music Shenendehowa
DESIGNEE: Friends of Music Shenendehowa
AWARD: \$400.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used to fund music programs in voice and instrumental at Shen, Entrance fees, Mini Grants for students, supplement teacher requests.

APPLICANT: Cub Scout Pack 4045
DESIGNEE: Cub Scout Pack 4045
AWARD: \$250.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used to purchase camp cooking equipment for the pack.

APPLICANT: St. Edward the Confessor Church
DESIGNEE: St. Edward the Confessor Church
AWARD: \$500.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used to help with the expense of improving the parishioners Ability to water the Community Garden.

APPLICANT: Nicole's Hope, Inc.
DESIGNEE: Nicole's Hope, Inc.
AWARD: \$250.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used to help defray cost of providing 3 families with Christmas Gifts and meals for families of children battling cancer.

APPLICANT: Hi-5 Sports, Inc.
DESIGNEE: Hi-5 Sports, Inc.
AWARD: \$250.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used to pay for rental fees at the YMCA for basketball program Happening from December through February.

APPLICANT: Clifton Park Village Cemetery Assoc.
DESIGNEE: Clifton Park Village Cemetery Assoc.
AWARD: \$400.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used to help pay for replacing the original garden shed.

APPLICANT: Clifton Park Baseball- 12U Team
DESIGNEE: Clifton Park Baseball- 12U Team
AWARD: \$200.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used to send the team to the Cooperstown All Star Village For training and competition.

APPLICANT: Clifton Park and Halfmoon Emergency Corps
DESIGNEE: Clifton Park and Halfmoon Emergency Corps
AWARD: \$315.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used to purchase lockboxes to be installed at apartment complexes For easier access by Emergency Services.

APPLICANT: Shenendehowa Dollars for Scholars
DESIGNEE: Shenendehowa Dollars for Scholars
AWARD: \$400.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used to support scholarships for graduating students of the Shen School district going to an accredited post-secondary institution.

APPLICANT: Boy Scouts of America- Troop 4030B
DESIGNEE: Boy Scouts of America- Troop 4030B
AWARD: \$400.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used for winter camping, spring camping, apparel, and service Projects.

APPLICANT: Boy Scouts of America- Troop 4030G
DESIGNEE: Boy Scouts of America- Troop 4030G
AWARD: \$400.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used for winter camping, spring camping, apparel, and service Projects.

APPLICANT: Boy Scouts of America- Troop 4045
DESIGNEE: Boy Scouts of America- Troop 4045
AWARD: \$250.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used to purchase paper bags for Fall Scouting for Food Drive.

APPLICANT: Shenendehowa Neighbors Connecting, Inc.
DESIGNEE: Shenendehowa Neighbors Connecting, Inc.
AWARD: \$250.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used for marketing and membership recruitment.

APPLICANT: The Southern Saratoga County Chamber Angels, Inc.
DESIGNEE: The Southern Saratoga County Chamber Angels, Inc.
AWARD: \$400.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used to purchase gifts for children for the holidays.

APPLICANT: Holland FunHab, Inc.
DESIGNEE: Holland FunHab, Inc.
AWARD: \$250.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used to purchase equipment for the sensory program.

APPLICANT: Girl Scouts of Northeastern New York
DESIGNEE: Gold Award Project- Lizzie Andrus
AWARD: \$400.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used to create a school meal debt relief program for struggling Students and inform students of programs available at Shen.

APPLICANT: Girl Scouts of Northeastern New York
DESIGNEE: Gold Award Project- Emily Strife
AWARD: \$400.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used to build bat houses and bee hotels to help with conservation And education promoting this environmental conservation.

APPLICANT: Clifton Park Youth Hockey, Teams 12uC, 10uB, 10uC
DESIGNEE: Clifton Park Youth Hockey, Teams 12uC, 10uB, 10uC
AWARD: \$200.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used to help with advertising and overhead associated with BBQ fundraiser for the teams.

APPLICANT: Rebuilding Together Saratoga County
DESIGNEE: Rebuilding Together Saratoga County
AWARD: \$250.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used to provide critical repairs and modifications for a low income Family in Clifton Park on their home.

APPLICANT: Boy Scouts of America- Troop 3083
DESIGNEE: Boy Scouts of America- Troop 3083
AWARD: \$400.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used to improve the Troop's equipment trailer that houses all their Gear.

APPLICANT: Girl Scouts of Northeastern New York
DESIGNEE: Bronze Award Project- Troop 2497
AWARD: \$400.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used to buy supplies to host a healthy nutrition day at Cheryl's Lodge Including ingredients for snacks, creating a cookbook for kids, and activity sheets.

APPLICANT: St. Edward the Confessor Church
DESIGNEE: Cub Scout Pack 4062
AWARD: \$200.00
DESCRIPTION: Funds will be used to buy high visibility shirts for scouts and leaders for events.

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