



Recent Grants: John T. Sloper Community Fund

2017 Grant Recipients:

Abbott House

\$2,500

The grant will purchase an AED for use in the regional office/care center which serves clients from Dutchess, Putnam, and nearby counties. In case of emergency, the AED device will be used by the directors and department heads who are all trained on CPR/AED. Consultants are hired to lead CPR/AED training which is offered throughout the year for new staff who need to be certified or existing staff who need to be re-trained.

<http://www.abbotthouse.net/>

Bardavon 1869 Opera House, Inc.

\$814

Funds will be used to conduct training for 12 staff people and to purchase replacement parts for the existing AED equipment. The adult defibrillators are in need of new electrode cartridges and a spare battery. This will allow for the proper maintenance of the AED equipment and keep staff up-to-date on proper use so that they are always adequately prepared in the event a heart-related or choking emergency occurs.

<http://www.bardavon.org/>

Beekman Volunteer Rescue Squad

\$3,172

AED's will be purchased for the personal vehicles used by volunteer Lieutenants when they respond to calls. The volunteers often arrive at the call prior to the ambulance, and it will be a lifesaving benefit to residents if those volunteers could arrive with the lifesaving equipment such as AEDs so that they can begin the higher quality of care immediately. An average of two cardiac arrest incidences occur each month where AEDs are needed.

<https://www.beekmanfireco.com/rescue-squad>



Blodgett Memorial Library

\$1,700

An AED monitor will be purchased with funds. The staff gets trained along with the Village of Fishkill personnel every two years. An AED device would greatly benefit the library and community because it has a large senior population.

<http://blodgettmemoriallibrary.org/>

Brewster Police Department

\$1,263.33

Funds will purchase stocked EMT Kits for each police vehicle, and an emergency oxygen tank with accessories. Police officers are almost always the first to arrive at the scene of an emergency within the village and currently the Department lacks Emergency Medical Response Kits and must wait for EMT's to arrive at the scene of an accident or aided to render medical aid.

Hawk Meadow Montessori School

\$1,360

AED equipment and training will be funded through this grant. One of the educators will be trained as an instructor so that in-house training can be provided to educators, students and families in accordance with the American Heart Association's guidelines.

<http://hawkmeadowmontessori.com/>

Hudson River Housing, Inc.

\$2,500

Funds will be used for Red Cross training of front-line staff in CPR/First Aid/AED, and to replenish critical components for the AED's located at HRH sites. Eleven of the staff previously certified in CPR/First Aid/AED are due for recertification and new hires are in need of this training as well. The need is especially great at River Haven youth shelter, where more extensive CPR/First Aid/AED training has been recommended.

<http://hudsonriverhousing.org/>



MidHudson Regional Hospital Fund of Westchester Medical Center

\$2,500

First responders attending the EMS Connections conference will be provided a Power Bank charger which will enable first responders to keep their mobile phones fully charged to access maps via voice command for quicker and more accurate routes to an emergency. Phones are also used to quickly access essential "Collaborative Protocols" which are the regulations and guidance for EMS patient care. Additionally, Ultrabound Matte Jotters with a pen will be provided to take notes from nurses or notes of vitals during transport to chart after the transport is completed. These items help insure accurate and timely information is recorded for patient monitoring and treatment.

<http://www.midhudsonregional.org/>

New Horizons Resources

\$2,500

Staff will be trained to approach clients to ensure emergency medical treatment is effective and the individual is not hurt while administering aid. All direct support professionals will be certified in the proper way to help a person choking, recognize cardiac distress and administer aid until first responders arrive.

<http://www.nhrny.org/>

Putnam County Sheriff's Department

\$2,500

Funding will purchase medical supplies with the intent to equip the patrol level deputy with the necessary tools to render immediate life-saving first aid to casualties of violent criminal acts such as in active-shooter scenarios. The medical supplies will include emergency trauma dressings, quick-clot hemostatic agents, occlusive chest seals, and combat application tourniquets. These active-shooter kits will then be assembled, stored, and deployed in conjunction with the department's active shooter personal protective equipment which are equipped in every marked patrol vehicle.

www.putnamsheriff.com



Putnam Emergency & Amateur Repeater League

\$2,500

Additional radios, operating supplies and training for FCC licensing of new members will be purchased with funds. The needs are for updated radio equipment for mobile members, new wiring for antennas, emergency vests, flashlights and other items needed in times of emergency due to weather or other events. PEARL club operates out of the Putnam County EOC center in Carmel, and also works closely with the NY State Troopers and Sheriff's Department.

<http://www.pearl2put.org/>

Putnam Hospital Center

\$2,500

Funding will help support the purchase of the LUCAS Chest Compression System which is a safe and efficient tool that standardizes chest compressions in accordance with the latest scientific guidelines. It provides the same quality for all patients and over time, independent of transport conditions, rescuer fatigue, or variability in the experience level of the caregiver. By doing this, it frees up rescuers to focus on other life-saving tasks and creates new rescue opportunities.

<https://www.healthquest.org/carmel/hospital-information-phc.aspx>

Rhinebeck Soccer League

\$2,500

An AED and kit will be purchased with the grant and a volunteer paramedic CPR instructor will perform the training necessary. The training will be open to coaches, assistant coaches, team managers and executive board members and eventually other adults including parents. The equipment will be located in a locked shed on the soccer field.

<http://www.rhinebecksoccer.org/>



Town of Pleasant Valley Recreation

\$1,360

A portable AED will be purchased for use on the soccer field complex where teams practice and play games.

<https://www.pvrec.com/info/default.aspx>



2016 Grant Recipients:

Abilities First, Inc.

\$2,500

Two AEDs will be purchased for the Lagrange or Apple Valley Neighborhood Day Habilitation Centers. The centers serve adults with varying levels of intellectual and developmental disabilities and co-morbid medical conditions. An AED on location would reduce the risk of death related to cardiac arrest by allowing staff to immediately offer medical assistance during a cardiac episode.

www.Abilitiesfirstny.org

Camp Herrlich

\$2,449

Funds will purchase replacement pads and batteries for an existing AED at the Camp. In addition, epi-pens to treat life-threatening allergic reactions will be purchased. Throughout the school year, 3,000 children and adults are on premises for after-school care, outdoor education, and retreats.

www.campherrlich.org

Church of St. Nicholas on the Hudson

\$2,500

An AED and training will be purchased for the church undercroft with the funds. An in-kind donation of CPR certification has been acquired for interested parishioners. The purchase of the AED is part of the overall goal of preparing and updating the building for the future.

www.stnicholasnewhamburg.org

Neighborhood Economic & Cultural Activities Program

\$2,500

Two AED devices will be purchased. One will be placed in the New Hope Center gymnasium, and the other will be put in the administration offices across the street.



New Horizons Resources

\$2,500

AEDs will be purchased to enable trained staff to react in the case of an emergency. The average age of people receiving supports from New Horizons residential programs is 50. Eleven of 30 residential homes are without AEDs leaving staff without support in case of cardiac emergency.

www.nhrny.org

Putnam County Sheriff's Department

\$2,100

Funds will be used to purchase medical supplies and equipment for the multi-jurisdictional Emergency Response Team that employs advanced tactics and techniques during high-risk operations. The medical supplies will include individual patrol officer kits which contain emergency trauma dressings, quick-clot hemostatic agents, and combat application tourniquets. Additionally, a tactical litter carrier to rapidly move casualties and an ALS medical kit containing essential emergency medical trauma supplies as well as airway and oxygen delivery systems will be purchased.

www.putnamsheriff.com

Village of Fishkill Fire Department

\$2,500

Funds will be used to update the Department's AEDs that were originally purchased in 1999. AED's were purchased to serve the community however; fellow firefighters serve as the highest risk for use. An AED can be the most integral part of the revival of a patient in cardiac arrest.



YMCA of Central & Northern Westchester

\$2,500

The funds will purchase AEDs for use in the Before and After School Care Programs at Austin Road, Fulmar Road, and Lakeview Elementary Schools in the Mahopac Central School District. YMCA-CNW serves approximately 180 students per day across these three sites. An AED in each building will ensure that in the case of cardiac arrest, no time is wasted in saving lives.

www.ymca-cnw.org



2015 Grant Recipients:

Abilities First, Inc.

\$2,021

The grant is for an AED to be located at the Senior's Neighborhood Center. The Center serves senior citizens with varying levels of intellectual disabilities and co-morbid medical conditions. An AED on location would reduce the risk of death related to cardiac arrest by allowing staff to immediately offer medical assistance.

Bedford Audubon Society

\$2,350

The grant will purchase two AEDs. One AED will be for Bylane Farm, the Audubon's center of operations, and the other will be for Chestnut Ridge Hawkwatch, a remote/seasonal site a 10-minute hike from the nearest road. Additionally funds will be used to provide AED training to staff, volunteers, and other conservation organizations in the area.

Dutchess and Putnam REACT

\$2,500

The grant will purchase BLS first aid kits, tank kits, rescue throw bags, back boards and traffic vests. The purpose of Dutchess and Putnam REACT is to assist disabled motorists and victims of auto accidents in the county by providing boots on the ground to communicate directly with fire, police and EMS services directly from the roadways of the county. REACT conducted approximately 60 documented road patrols and contributed approximately 2,750 volunteer hours to the roads of the County.



Fairview Fire District

\$1,250

The funds will purchase two sets of "Binder Lifts" for the ambulances. This product assists patients and staff by creating a safer way of handling large patients who oftentimes need help from the floor or bed. As Americans get larger, the fire and EMS services need to adjust to meet their needs. Back injuries are prominent with first responders and tools like the Binder Lift help to prevent them by providing stable hand holds around the patient's body.

Family Services

\$1,450

The funds will purchase two Philips HeartStart OnSite Defibrillators and glove pouches. In addition to the equipment, staff will be certified in CPR, AED, and First Aid for Adult, Child, and Infant by Health Quest. With annual visits to the agency totaling 45,000 individuals, having AED's located on site and staff properly trained will result in the ability to provide life-saving care.

Grace Smith House, Inc.

\$2,500

Funds will purchase AED machines for the two secure shelters and a transitional housing/office building. Grace Smith House served 2,464 individuals in Shelters, Non-Residential, CPS and Family Court Programs in 2014 and seeks to have an AED machine at each location.

Hudson River Housing, Inc.

\$1,250

The funds will purchase AED equipment and training for the Employment Assistance and Training Station (EATS). HRH staff taking CPR/AED/First Aid classes will be better able to respond to medical emergencies and the training and equipment will result in improved safety for EATS clients.



Lucky Orphans Horse Rescue

\$2,500

The funds will purchase an AED, cabinet and proper signage. Since LOHR has many volunteers, students and clients of varying ages, an AED will assist in an emergency situation. The local Dover Plains Fire Department is a volunteer organization and may take time to respond to an emergency at the farm. Those lost minutes can mean a life saved with the proper equipment. The director and barn manager are CPR, AED and First Aid certified through the Red Cross.

Pleasant Valley Fire District

\$2,147.87

The funds will purchase Rescue Randy, a life-like mannequin, and the Kore Kooler Rehab Chair, a modified folding chair with arm slots that contain plastic bags filled with water. Randy will be used in place of humans in dangerous situations. This allows firefighters to have a "victim" in a vehicle during vehicle extrication training, for search skills in a burning building, and to train on removing a victim during a rope rescue. It is safer to use a life-like victim versus a human and avoid the risk of injury. The chair is used to help reduce the body's temperature. It has been found that properly cooling a responder down is important in helping to reduce cardiac episodes.

Putnam Family & Community Services

\$2,200

The funds will purchase a AED with carry case, 2 sets of pads, 2 batteries, and infant/child adapter and a seven year warranty, purchase of an alarmed wall cabinet to store the AED and CPR/AED training or retraining and certification of eight staff people working at the two sites, ensuring coverage for all hours of the agencies operations.



Town of East Fishkill Recreation

\$2,500

The Recreation Department instituted a Public Access Defibrillator (PAD) Program providing AED/CPR training to town residents and equipping recreation facilities and fields with defibrillators. Since the program's inception, 187+ people have been trained in AED/CPR life-saving procedures, and ten defibrillators have been purchased and are located throughout the town recreation areas. The funding will be used to continue this program through purchasing more equipment, training and a public awareness campaign.

Union Vale Fire District

\$2,500

The grant will purchase two AEDs, one to be placed inside a Chief's vehicle and one to be given to an EMT. Union Vale is rural with a mountain range splitting it, so having an AED in the personal vehicle of responders means that when they are first on scene, they don't have to wait until the ambulance arrives to use an AED.



2014 Grant Recipients:

American Red Cross Northeastern New York Chapter

\$2,500

The American Red Cross of the Mid-Hudson Valley will use grant funds to purchase Manikins. The Mankin Pack contains upgraded life-saving training equipment as well as a nylon carrying case for all manikins. This light weight pack is fast to set up, easy to carry, and will provide trainers with durable life-saving equipment.

Brewster Police Department

\$1,672

The Department will use grant funds to purchase an AED for use in a second police patrol vehicle. Both patrol vehicles would have the necessary equipment to deliver emergency cardiovascular services to those in need in order to save lives.

Christ Episcopal Church

\$2,493

The grant will purchase an AED to be located in the church community room. Funding will also support the training of AA leaders, BOCES teachers, counselors at the summer camp, church staff, music director and leaders who use the room.

Clinton Alliance Church

\$1,900

Funds will purchase an AED and will also be used to train leaders and members in its usage. Target populations include youth involved in sporting activities people in attendance on Sunday mornings. The church is located in a remote area, EMS services are all volunteer based, and early intervention is the key to a positive outcome in cardiac events when the AED would be used.



Dutchess Community College Foundation

\$3,000

Funds will help purchase equipment for the EMS program. A Wifi Stethoscope will provide students the ability to hear customized sounds when assessing a standardized patient. GoPro cameras will be used during Mass Casualty Incident drills that the students perform in the Trauma Course of the Paramedic Program.

Elant, Inc.

\$2,000

Elant at Wappingers Falls will purchase two Emergency Crash Carts to provide ready accessibility emergency care to residents. The Crash Carts provide access to emergency services such as oxygen and numerous supplies necessary to provide immediate lifesaving care.

Family Services

\$2,500

The grant will purchase an AED and staff will be certified in CPR, AED, and First Aid for Adult, Child, and Infant. With 45,000 individual visits to the agency, having AED's located on site and staff properly trained will result in the ability to provide lifesaving care.

Friends of Green Chimneys

\$1,250

Green Chimneys will purchase one incentive spirometer and 4 vital machines. An incentive spirometer is a medical device used to help patients improve the functioning of their lungs. This can be used during emergencies, as well as to prevent a breathing problem from becoming a crisis. Currently 70% of our student population has asthma. The vital machines will be used to measure blood pressure, heart rate, and oxygen saturation during health emergencies and while monitoring medication changes to prevent emergencies.



Grace Smith House

\$2,500

Funding will provide CPR and First Aid Training for all Grace Smith house staff.

Hudson River Housing

\$2,500

The funds will purchase an AED for the Liberty Station site located at 38 North Clinton Street in Poughkeepsie. Liberty Station provides 25 units of affordable Single Room Occupancy (SRO) housing for low-income military veterans. HRH's Support Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) program also resides in the building.

LaGrange Fire District

\$5,200

LFD responds to fires in occupied buildings every year. LFD will purchase 2, 5 gram, Cyanokits kits. This will allow for medication to treat one patient with an initial dose and a repeat dose if necessary. Additionally, a Masimo RAD-57 will be purchased. This device allows measurement of CO in a victim's blood, non-invasively and rapidly, in the field. The ability to quantitatively measure the Sp-CO allows decisions to be made for definitive treatment of those with elevated levels.

Putnam ARC

\$2,500

The grant enables PARC to train and/or keep 400 staff members current on their First Aid, CPR and AED knowledge, whereby making PARC's 1000 program participants and their family members more likely to survive a heart attack and prevent assist when an injury or accident occurs.



Putnam County Sheriff's Department

\$1,250

Purchase of medical supplies for a gunshot kit that will be issued to each Deputy Sheriff assigned to the road patrol.

Temple Beth Shalom

\$2,465

Purchase of pediatric defibrillator pads in order to provide life-saving capabilities for children and related training for five members to operate the AED and BLS Kits.

Therapeutic Equestrian Center

\$2,500

An AED will be purchased to service clients to the best of our ability under our safety policy. Training seminars will be held for volunteers to become CPR certified.

Village of Fishkill Police Department

\$500

Funds will upgrade the First Aid bags and associated equipment carried in each patrol vehicle. These bags contain bandages, dressings, sterile pads, CPR masks and related basic EMS supplies. This equipment would be utilized by officers to perform basic first aid functions at emergency scenes prior to arrival of Mobile Life and / or FD.

Zion Episcopal Church

\$2,000

A defibrillator, training materials and training sessions will be purchased with funds provided.



2013 Grant Recipients:

American Red Cross Northeastern New York Chapter

\$2,500

Funds will purchase AED II Trainers and Updating Programming Kits that will help to reactivate trainers that are not functioning correctly and updated equipment and kits allowing the continuance of top notch and realistic training throughout Dutchess County.

Cornell Cooperative Extension Dutchess County

\$2,500

Staff, adult volunteers and youth primarily from the Relatives As Parents Program will be trained in emergency preparedness skills using the funds.

Dutchess County Department of Emergency Response

\$2,420

Grant will purchase an AED to be carried with the Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) of Dutchess County to any deployment within the County. With more than 400 volunteers county-wide, the MRC provides emergent medical and non-medical services in response to any size incident throughout Dutchess County.

Dutchess County Sheriff's Office

\$2,500

20 water rescue kits will be purchased and deployed in patrol vehicles throughout Dutchess County.

Family Services

\$3,500

Two AEDs will be purchased and staff will be certified in CPR, AED, and First Aid for Adult, Child, and Infant. With annual visits totaling 45,000 individuals, having AED's located on site and staff properly trained will result in the ability to provide lifesaving care.



First Congregational Church, United Church of Christ

\$2,500

An AED and related necessary equipment will be purchased and training will be offered to as many congregants as possible in order to respond appropriately to an emergency cardiac event and possibly save a life.

Foundation for Vassar Brothers Medical Center

\$490

Health Quest Community Education is an American Heart Association-Approved Training Center that provides first aid, CPR and AED training to the community, as well as advanced life support classes to medical professionals. The training combines video with hands-on practice on life-like manikins and AED trainers. Large corporations, schools, local towns and businesses, not-for-profits and various community and health care organizations throughout Putnam and Dutchess counties utilize the training.

New Horizons Resources, Inc.

\$2,500

An AED will be purchased and placed at a residential facility. The availability of this equipment can support the services provided and will save lives, while waiting for first responders to arrive.

Town of Poughkeepsie

\$1,775

An AED will be purchased as well as training for staff and volunteers for the new senior center. Currently 180 seniors participate in the senior program. This number will grow substantially with the expanded facilities and programming at the new center.