



COMMUNITY
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OF THE HUDSON VALLEY

Community Grants 2024



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CHANGEMAKERS



2024/2025 Community Grants Community Changemakers

The Community Foundations of the Hudson Valley is pleased to announce the 2024/2025 cohort of Community Grants recipients. Through the support of generous donors, our growing Community Grant Endowment funds and net proceeds from the 2024 Garden Party, this year's program will distribute over \$340,000 to 85 nonprofits in the region.

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We are grateful for generous community members like you who make this critical work possible.

Dutchess Community Grantees

A Farm For All! Inc.

295 Duell Hollow Rd
Wingdale, NY 12594

www.afarmforallnewyork.org

Local Food Security Food Project

The mission of A Farm For All! is to promote community development and provide charitable benefits and a locally grown agricultural experience to volunteers and community members. We also host activities of historically disenfranchised communities including Native Americans Ceremonies, Immigrant Farm Projects and Cooperative Farm Projects.

Adelante Student Voices

PO Box 3023
Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

www.adelantestudentvoices.org

Adelante Student Voices

The mission of Adelante Student Voices is to support undocumented young people in the Hudson Valley on their unique journeys to higher education, while simultaneously building their self-advocacy so that they can increase educational opportunities and advance social justice within their own communities.

Be a Friend Project, Inc.



PO Box 30
Beacon, NY 12508

www.beafriendproject.org

Be A Friend Project

The BAFP seeks to end the educational inequities, mental health issues, physical injuries, financial hardships, and loss of potential inevitably suffered by school-age victims of bullying, their families and communities. The kids-for-kids, arts-centered bullying prevention and kindness programmatic initiatives support thousands of young people in the Hudson Valley, offering opportunities for hope for bullied kids and encouraging young people to transform from bystanders to upstanders.

Best Buddies New York

3 Schoolhouse Lane
Waterford, NY 12188

www.bestbuddies.org/newyork

Best Buddies Friendship Program

Best Buddies International is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to establishing a global volunteer movement that creates opportunities for one-to-one friendships, integrated employment, leadership development, inclusive living, and family support for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD).

Camino al Exito Project for All

PO Box #7
Pawling, NY 12564

caminoalexitopfa.org

Pathways to Progress project

Camino al Éxito's mission is to uplift and empower underserved Latino individuals and families in Northeast Dutchess County through comprehensive support services that address education, economic empowerment, health, and community integration. Rooted in a vision of equity and inclusion, Camino al Éxito aims to bridge the gap between opportunity and access, particularly for Latinos facing systemic barriers, economic hardships, and geographic isolation.



Casa Comunitaria de Recursos (House of Community Resources)

www.casacomunitariaderecursos.org

PO Box 5171
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

Enhancing Immigration Services through Workshops and Podcast

Casa Comunitaria de Recursos (CCR), a registered 501c3 nonprofit, exists to empower the Dutchess County Hispanic/Latino Community as well as the broader immigrant and refugee communities by connecting them with health services, education, and community resources.

Celebrating the African Spirit - Poughkeepsie, NY

P.O. Box 1189
Poughkeepsie, NY 12602

celebratingtheafricanspirit.org

Programmatic Support for CAS

The mission of Celebrating the African Spirit is to commemorate the lives of enslaved Africans and their descendants in Poughkeepsie, New York. Slavery existed in Poughkeepsie from the earliest days, and enslaved people were major contributors to the growth of what is now the City of Poughkeepsie and the Mid-Hudson Region. This lack of knowledge contributes to ongoing denial regarding the consequences of centuries of slavery and the pervasiveness of racism and inequality in America today.

Charlia Frank Inc

2600 South Road Suite 44-211
Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

charliafrankinc.org

Elite Summer Camp

Our mission is to identify, create, and sustain community equity by providing innovative programs and services tailored to the diverse needs of our community.



Clear Path for Veterans, Inc.

1223 Salt Springs Road
Chittenango, New York 13037

www.clearpath4vets.com

Veteran Suicide Prevention

Founded in 2011, Clear Path for Veterans is a haven and a place of solace and comfort. Our mission is to transform communities one Veteran and military family at a time by enriching lives, resolving challenges and offering opportunities for connection, healing and growth. With integrated programs and direct services, we help those who have served heal, grow and become the best versions of themselves. We serve 3,500 Veterans and their families annually, providing more than 10,000 acts of service.

Community Action Partnership for Dutchess County, Inc.

77 Cannon Street
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

www.dutchesscap.org

Strength Based Case Management Training (for Staff)

The Mission of Community Action Partnership for Dutchess County is to partner with individuals and families to eliminate poverty and identify the resources and opportunities available to them to enhance their self-reliance.

Community Matters 2, Inc.

www.communitymatters2.org

50 N. Hamilton Street
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

Etiquette & Spice Masterclass

Community Matters 2, Inc. exists to drive communal growth by organizing impactful events and establishing meaningful programs in collaboration with local organizations. We aim to engage residents and youth around shared goals that foster community involvement and strengthen connections.

Compass Arts Creativity Project

53 Russell Ave.
Beacon, NY 12508

www.compassarts.org

CACP Organizational Audit for Intentional Cultural Building and Strategic Sustainability Planning

Compass Arts Creativity Project's mission is to create healthy, just, equitable, and resilient communities through arts-based classes, performances, and events rooted in exploration, collaboration, creation, and play.

Dutchess County Pride Center

766 Main Street
Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

www.dutchesspride.org

General Operating Support

Dutchess County Pride Center is a safe space for LGBTQ+ individuals and their families, including youth, to meet and socialize. Our goal is to improve the health, safety and well-being of the entire LGBTQ+ community in Dutchess County. From the beginning, Dutchess County Pride Center's goals included supporting, educating and advocating for the LGBTQ+ community, including LGBTQ+ youth. We wanted to accomplish this through outreach, support groups and social events.



Girls Incorporated Of The Greater Capital Region

www.girlsincapitalregion.org

962 Albany St.
Schenectady, NY 12307

Girls Inc. GCR at Poughkeepsie

Girls Inc. inspires all girls to be strong, smart and bold. We work to accomplish this mission by providing free afterschool, outreach and summer programs to all girls in the Greater Capital Region. We empower girls to succeed by providing trusting mentoring relationships, a girls-only environment and research-based, hands-on programming. Three critical goals drive our programming: to help girls achieve healthy lives, succeed academically, and acquire the life skills needed to prepare them for adulthood.

Girls on the Run Hudson Valley

815 Blooming Grove Tpk #401
New Windsor, NY 12553

www.girlsontherunhv.org

Expanding awareness of Girls on the Run's transformative programs in Putnam, Ulster and Poughkeepsie

Girls on the Run Hudson Valley (GOTV-HV) inspires girls to be joyful, healthy and confident using fun, experience-based curriculum that creatively integrates running. Its physical activity-based positive youth development (PYD) programs are designed to enhance 3rd-8th girls' social, psychological and physical skills/behaviors to successfully navigate life experiences. Program accessibility is a key component of GOTR-HV's mission, and no participant is ever turned away due to financial need.

Harriet Tubman Academic Skills and Enrichment Program

<http://htasc.org>

21 Williams Street

Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

Harriet Tubman Academic Skills Center of Poughkeepsie United Methodist Church

The mission at Harriet Tubman Academic Skills Center (HTASC) is to provide an after-school program that facilitates academic success, develops strong character and creates independent thinkers with a love of learning.

**Fiscally sponsored by Poughkeepsie United Methodist Church*

Hopewell Depot Museum

PO Box 1044

36 Railroad Ave

Hopewell Junction, NY 12533

www.hopewelldepotmuseum.org

Hopewell Depot Museum Video Security Management

Our mission at Hopewell Depot Museum is to provide a historic museum and park for the education and recreation of the community. Accurately reflect the facilities and purpose of the Hopewell Depot through our restorations and museum. We provide a tourist attraction for the community to attract visitors, promote local businesses, foster Dutchess' heritage and be the southeastern gateway and visitors' center for the Empire State Trail in Dutchess County.

Howland Chamber Music Circle

PO Box 224

Chelsea, NY 12512

www.howlandmusic.org

Howland Chamber Music Circle Broadening the Circle

HCMH presents musical concerts primarily, but not exclusively, in the southern portion of Dutchess County, New York; promotes and encourages appreciation of and education about fine music and its performance; and establishes a bond of community among those who participate in the cultural life of the Mid-Hudson Valley.



Hudson River Sloop Clearwater

724 Wolcott Avenue
Beacon, NY 12508

www.clearwater.org

Hudson River Sloop Clearwater Operating Support

Hudson River Sloop Clearwater's mission is to preserve and protect the Hudson River, its tributaries, and related bodies of water. Clearwater works to provide innovative environmental education programs, advocacy, and celebrations designed to expand people's experience, awareness, and stewardship of this magnificent natural resource.

Hudson Valley Clubhouse

98 Cannon Street
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

www.hvclubhouse.org

Hudson Valley Clubhouse General Operating Support

The mission of the Hudson Valley clubhouse is to provide people with serious mental illness a supportive community to foster long-term recovery and to break the cycle of relapse. Clubhouse participants are known as Members, not as patients or clients. Members join voluntarily, and each is a valued participant in the community. They engage with the Clubhouse when and as they need, finding their own place and purpose, and above all, a sense of belonging.



Hudson Valley Hospice Foundation

80 Washington Street, Suite 204
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

www.hvhospice.org

Music Therapy Tool Kit

HVHF was established as a not-for-profit 501(c)3 organization to educate the community on hospice care, raise necessary funds and accept contributions that enabled HVHospice to continue with an enhanced hospice program. Today, the Foundation continues to raise awareness and funding in support of Hudson Valley Hospice, including helping to provide charity care and nonformulary drugs for the uninsured and underinsured, music therapy, end of life doulas, grief and bereavement services and more.

Hudson Valley Symphony Orchestra

PO Box 3554

Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

www.hudsonvalleysymphony.org

Administrative Capacity Building and Accounting System for HVSO's Inaugural year

The Hudson Valley Symphony Orchestra brings people together to inspire an appreciation for exceptional music. Through engaging performances of classics to new compositions, the Hudson Valley Symphony Orchestra provides accessible, outstanding musical experiences for communities throughout the region. The Hudson Valley Symphony Orchestra connects with new audiences and the next generation through interactive and educational opportunities, fostering the arts and humanity that unites us.

**fiscally sponsored by FJC*

Jewish Federation of Dutchess County

PO Box 2525

Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

www.jewishdutchess.org

Program Support For Seniors

The mission of the Jewish Federation of Dutchess County is to perpetuate, protect, and enhance Jewish communal life and well-being locally, in Israel, and worldwide while supporting our greater local community. We do this in accordance to our values of Tzedakah (charity), Tikkun Olam (repairing the world), and Gemilut Chassadim (acts of loving kindness).

Land to Learn

PO Box 223

Beacon, NY 12508

www.landtolearn.org

SproutEd Program Expansion

Land to Learn's mission is to help grow a movement for food justice and community wellness through garden-based education. We create learning opportunities for children and youth that empower them with resources and skills to develop lifelong healthful habits and an appreciation for the natural world.



Legal Services of the Hudson Valley

90 Maple Street

White Plains, NY 10601

www.lshv.org

Free Civil Legal Services for Low-Income Dutchess County Residents, 2025

LSHV is the sole provider of free comprehensive civil legal services in the Lower- & Mid-Hudson Valley. Our MISSION – updated in 2022 to reflect our commitment to equity as a thread running through all of our work – is to provide high quality counsel in civil matters for low-income individuals & families, & other

vulnerable persons, who do not have access to legal representation to maintain their basic needs, & to pursue equity through dismantling systemic oppression.
lshv.org/about-us/

Mass Design Group

289 Main St, Suite 101
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

www.massdesigngroup.org

Hudson Valley Design Lab

MASS (Model of Architecture Serving Society) harnesses the transformative power of physical places. Our mission is to research, build, and advocate for design that promotes justice, beauty, and dignity. We believe that architecture and design are not merely aesthetic endeavors; they are among the most potent forces for social and planetary health. Our work includes hospitals, universities, affordable housing, memorials, and ecological reserves from sub-Saharan Africa to the Hudson Valley.

Mediation Center of Dutchess County, Inc.

205 South Avenue, Ste. 200
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

www.dutchessmediation.org

Mediation Center of Dutchess County - General Operating Support

Actively engage all community members through dispute resolution tools when facing conflict.

Mid Hudson Aquatics Inc

393 Vassar Road
Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

www.midhudsonaquatics.org

Community Foundations Swim Campaign 2024

Mid Hudson Aquatics mission is to promote aquatic awareness and education through teaching confidence in water safety, learn to swim, fitness and competition with an emphasis on diversity and inclusion. Drowning is the leading cause of death for children ages 1-4 years in the USA. Our organization works towards closing the gap for underserved children in Dutchess County to learn to swim and to excel as athletes. Learning to swim saves lives.



Mid-Hudson Works

188 Washington Street
Poughkeepsie, New York 12601

www.midhudsonworkshop.org

Building Safety & Modernization Project

Our current mission is to hire and train Veterans and people with disabilities in order to assist them in finding gainful employment. We are currently in the process of changing our mission with the state of NY to better reflect the diverse groups we serve, which goes beyond Veterans and people with disabilities. Our new mission expands to include economically disadvantaged/low-income individuals and people reintegrating back into the workforce following incarceration release.

New Pine Plains Herald

P.O. Box 1038
Pine Plains, NY 12567

www.newpineplainsherald.org

New Pine Plains Herald

The Herald's mission is to serve as a trusted, nonpartisan source of local news for the over 9,000 residents who live within the Pine Plains Central School District, including Pine Plains, Stanford and Milan. The closing of The Register-Herald in 2009 marked the end of 150 years of continuous newspaper coverage in Pine Plains. Founded as a nonprofit in October 2022, The New Pine Plains Herald is filling that journalistic void as a free, weekly digital newspaper.

North East Community Center

51 South Center Street
PO Box 35
Millerton, NY 12546

www.neccmillerton.org

After School Program Planning

NECC advances the well-being of all people in our rural region by responding to their diverse needs through services, programs, and partnerships. For the past fifteen years, NECC's after school program has received funding through the New York State Advantage program. This year the program ended, and we unfortunately were not approved for new state-guided funding. Being able to provide this long-standing programming with the students is one of our program priorities for 2024.

Poughkeepsie Farm Project

PO Box 3143
Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

www.farmproject.org

Enhance PFP's Food Share and Education Programs

Poughkeepsie Farm Project's mission is to cultivate local leadership in sustainable farming, food access, and education, and to foster an inclusive, welcoming community for everyone. Our vision is a community that works collaboratively to provide equitable access to nutritious food via a just and resilient food system. Since 1999, Poughkeepsie Farm Project (PFP) has worked to strengthen our food system and enhance equitable community health outcomes through two primary methods: by improving access to healthy locally grown food, and by providing education about food justice, sustainable farming, and incorporating these foods into a healthy diet in delicious, culturally relevant ways.

Reading & Math, Inc. dba Ampact

1200 Washington Ave S, Suite 310
Minneapolis, MN 55415

www.ampact.us

Scaling the nation's most effective, high dosage tutoring programs in Dutchess County

Ampact's mission is to transform lives. We implement programs that combine the power of AmeriCorps with proven practice to help solve our most pressing issues. We're powered by AmeriCorps members. Each of our programs engages service-minded individuals with a passion to make a difference. Every child has something special to offer, but they don't all have access to the resources and support they need to thrive.

Rock Steady Farm

41 Kaye Road
Millerton, NY 12546

www.rocksteadyfarm.com

A vision for the future support for QTBIPOC farmers in the Hudson Valley

Rock Steady is a multi-racial, queer and trans-led nonprofit and co-op farm rooted in social justice advocacy, food access and farmer training. Founded in 2015, we are located on 12 acres in Millerton, NY. In addition to sustainable farming and land stewardship practices, we increase equity in the food system through food access and programs to support QTBIPOC farmers to thrive. Our work is grounded in our community and local networks and we engage in advocacy to build equity.

**fiscally sponsored by the Good Work Institute*



Second Chance Foods

120 Marvin Ave
Brewster, NY 10509

www.secondchancefoods.org

Increasing availability and access to nourishing food

Second Chance Foods elevates the health of people and the planet by recovering nutrient dense food from local sources, and providing it to organizations that address hunger, in order to break the cycle of wasted food and food insecurity. In 2024, we have cooked over 71,700 meals and delivered 219,340 pounds of fresh groceries to our community partners (through August). In April, we moved into a new facility, which is larger, allows for concurrent programming, has a central community location, and provides growth throughout our organization. As a result, we expect to increase services by 15-20% this year alone, with continued growth after that. Over 80% of our groceries and meals serve Putnam and Dutchess County recipients.

Sparrow's Nest of the Hudson Valley

946 Route 376, Suite 7
Wappingers Falls, NY 12590

www.sparrowsnestcharity.org

Sparrow's Nest Mission Expansion

The mission of Sparrow's Nest is to cook and deliver homemade, nutritious meals to families of caregivers and children facing a cancer diagnosis in Dutchess, Putnam, and parts of Orange, Ulster, and Westchester counties. A mission expansion to include anyone facing cancer treatment will begin rolling out in Dutchess County in 2025.

Stony Kill Foundation

79 Farmstead Lane
Wappingers Falls, NY 12590

stonykill.org

General Operating Support for Stony Kill Farm Environmental Education Center

Our mission is to educate the public and cultivate environmental stewardship through interpretation of the rich historical, environmental and agricultural heritage of Stony Kill Farm.



Theta Sigma Sigma - Rhoers - Poughkeepsie, NY

23 Regency Drive
Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) college bus tour

The Rhoer Club of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. is dedicated to the holistic development and empowerment of young women aged 12-18. The club fosters personal growth, academic excellence, leadership skills, and a commitment to community service through various educational, social, cultural, and community service activities.

**fiscally sponsored by 7 Pearls of Light Foundation*

The Thomas Poole and Charles Scott Griesa Center Foundation

139 Main Street
Beacon, NY 12508

www.vetrep.org

Veterans Repertory Theater's Veteran Jobs and Apprenticeships Program

Founded in February 2021, as a tax-exempt, non-profit 501c3 organization, Veterans Repertory Theater aims to reinvigorate American theater through developing and producing the work of veteran writers and artists. Through fully produced plays, staged readings, immersive art shows and multimedia festivals, VetRep delivers to audiences intimate live performances as whimsical, absurd, and jarring as the veteran community that created them.

Unshattered

1090 Route 376

Wappingers Falls, NY 12590

www.unshattered.org

Unshattered Growth and Development Program Expansion

Unshattered is a 501c3 nonprofit social enterprise whose mission is to end the addiction relapse cycle. We are a healing-centered, long-term employment community where women can build confidence, social capital, and success. Through a combination of community, employment, and personal development, Unshattered helps women continue their journey beyond sobriety toward healing and growth.

Upstate Films

PO Box 324

Rhinebeck, NY 12572

www.upstatefilms.org

Community Programs support

We believe that the moving image—the most powerful storytelling force in human history—can shape a kinder, safer, more equitable and sustainable world. We work in our Hudson Valley region of small towns and rural spaces, to bring together our neighbors, filmmakers, artists, schools and organizations. Our movies, other media-based storytelling, live performances and conversations with artists build empathy, a sense of connection and a stronger appreciation of our communities and our planet.

Wassaic Project

37 Furnace Bank Road

PO Box 220

Wassaic, NY 12592

wassaicproject.org

Wassaic Project - Education Support

The Wassaic Project, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, uses art and arts education to foster positive social change. We nurture connections between our artists and our neighbors facilitating a mutual broadening of perspectives and respect across economic and cultural boundaries.



Worker Justice Center of New York

9 Main St.
Kingston, NY 12401

www.wjcny.org

Protecting and Advancing the Rights of Low-Wage Workers in Dutchess, Putnam, and Ulster Counties

Worker Justice Center of New York (WJCNY) pursues justice for those denied human rights with a focus on agricultural and other low-wage workers, through legal representation, community empowerment, and advocacy for institutional change. We believe people should have access to high-quality legal services and the education and tools to advocate for themselves and their communities, that bad actors should be held accountable, and that public policies must protect workers' rights and safety.

Community Grants – Putnam County

Brewster Cares Inc

www.brewstercaresny.org

31 Prospect St
Brewster, NY 10509-1215

Brewster Cares Humanitarian Expansion

Brewster Cares is dedicated to helping the poor and needy in our community and surrounding areas (Dutchess County and CT) by providing a seasonal shelter & daytime warming station for the homeless, free ESL classes, free tutoring, the only Spanish speaking AA meeting in Putnam County, and a program that provides meals for families. Our mission is to make a positive, lasting impact in the lives of those in need and thereby make our community stronger together.

Camp Herrlich

101 Deacon Smith Hill Road
Patterson, NY 12563

www.campherrlich.org

Spreading Hope

Camp Wilbur Herrlich is a dynamic year-round learning and leadership center that provides positive recreation and education programs, optimizing personal and spiritual growth and fostering cultural harmony. We enrich communities and their quality of life. Camp Wilbur Herrlich is recognized as a regional leader in improving lives and strengthening communities in a changing world.

CAREERS Support Solutions, Inc.

1961 Route 6
Suite 12
Carmel, NY 10512

www.careerssupportolutions.org

Workforce Readiness, Job Placement and Ongoing Support for People with Disabilities

CAREERS is a not-for-profit organization that finds productive employment for individuals with learning, intellectual, developmental, psychiatric and/or physical disabilities. Services include teaching prevocational skills, providing on-the-job training and ongoing support services, and forming partnerships with employees, employers and families. Our main goal is to assist its clients in achieving sustained employment and to promote their inclusion and participation in their community.

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Putnam County

1 Geneva Rd
Brewster, NY 10509

cceputnamcounty.org

Increasing Capacity by Expanding Cornell Cooperative Extension's Reach in Putnam County

Often referred to as "the best-kept secret," Cornell Cooperative Extension puts knowledge to work in pursuit of economic vitality, ecological sustainability, and social well-being. We bring local experience and research and evidence-based solutions together, helping families thrive in our rapidly changing world. Since 1944, Putnam County's Cooperative Extension has linked university research, knowledge and experiential learning to the needs and issues facing Putnam County residents.

Desmond-Fish Public Library

P.O. Box 265
Garrison, NY 10524

desmondfishlibrary.org

Bienvenidos a la biblioteca: Expanding Our Library's Outreach

It is the mission of the Alice Curtis Desmond and Hamilton Fish Library to provide access to the world of social and cultural ideas to the community by offering a wide variety of materials and programs. The Library has a special mission to young children and their parents to encourage a love of reading and learning. The Library is committed to preserving the integrity of the collections of the Curtis Desmond and Fish Families.



Ecological Citizen's Project

PO Box 24
69 South Mountain Pass
Garrison, NY 10524

ecologicalcitizens.org

General Operating Support, Ecological Citizen's Project, Inc.

The Ecological Citizen's Project's (ECP) mission is to support community campaigns for a more just, healthy, democratic and regenerative way-of-life. We do this by supporting local climate action campaigns, training new & diverse farmers, promoting land stewardship & community programming, and developing community-owned solar.

Garrison Art Center

23 Garrison's Landing
PO Box 4

Garrison, NY 10524

www.garrisonartcenter.org

A vibrant, diverse community where art is everywhere and accessible for ALL

The Garrison Art Center, is a not-for-profit cultural and artistic center in the heart of Putnam County.

Our Mission: Founded on the banks of the Hudson River in 1964, Garrison Art Center seeks to connect and enrich lives by cultivating an open environment for the creation and appreciation of art. Our Vision: Through education, exhibitions, and community outreach programs, our vision is to foster a vibrant, diverse community where art is everywhere and accessible for ALL to experience.

Highlands Current, Inc.

142 Main St.

Cold Spring, NY 10516

highlandscurrent.org

Building and Sustaining Independent Local News in the Hudson Highlands

The Highlands Current is an independent nonprofit newsroom that strives to be a trusted and nonpartisan source of information for residents of Philipstown and Beacon. One community we cover is rural, the other is a small city with a diverse racial and socioeconomic population. We continually work to represent that diversity in our coverage. The Current is provided free to the community, supported by member donations, grants and advertising revenue. We are celebrating our 15th year in 2025.

Hillside Food Outreach

4 Eagle Road

Danbury, CT 06810

www.hillsidefoodoutreach.org

Battling Food Insecurity - Keeping Pace in Putnam County 2024/25

The mission of HFO is to deliver healthy food to low-income people in need, who are unable to access/utilize local food pantries for reasons outside of their control. Our clients constitute an especially vulnerable segment of the low-income population. These are individuals and families who are housebound, medically fragile and who lack mobility. All of them are living at or below the poverty level, and all are unable to access local food pantries for reasons of outside of their control.

Putnam History Museum

63 Chestnut Street

Cold Spring, NY 10516

www.putnamhistorymuseum.org

Revolution Outreach: Accessible Projects for America's 250th Anniversary in Putnam County

The mission of the Putnam History Museum is to collect, preserve, interpret, and present the history of Putnam County, Philipstown, the West Point Foundry, and the Hudson Highlands. Through exhibitions, programs, and events, the museum uses its collections to engage the community with the vibrant history of our region, and to foster greater understanding of the role it has played in the growth of our nation.

Putnam Service Dogs, Inc.

PO Box 573

23 Birch Drive

Brewster, NY 10509

www.putnamservicedogs.org

Support a free dog for a veteran with PTSD, or who has physical disabilities other than blindness

We transform rescue dogs into highly valued members of our community. We provide free service dogs to people with physical disabilities other than blindness and Veterans with PTSD. We adopt our release dogs as emotional support animals to people with disabilities. 95% of our dogs help someone with disabilities.



Putnam Valley Library

30 Oscawana Lake Road
Putnam Valley, NY 10579

www.putnamvalleylibrary.org

Putnam Valley Library ADA Door/Door Opener Project

The Putnam Valley Library will inspire creativity, encourage lifelong learning, and strengthen our community by providing access to information, education, culture, and recreation. We strive to be a Library that is the heart of the community and integral to the lives of all residents and to be responsive to the changing needs of the community through excellence in collections, programs, and services.

Second Chance Foods

120 Marvin Ave
Brewster, NY 10509

www.secondchancefoods.org

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Sustainable Putnam

PO Box 412

Mahopac Falls, NY 10542

sustainableputnam.org

Sustainable Putnam Strategic Marketing & Fundraising

Sustainable Putnam believes that resolving the climate crisis requires all hands on deck. Our mission is to develop sustainable communities across Putnam County, NY. To accomplish this overarching goal, we work directly with Putnam County residents, businesses, nonprofits, and each of its municipalities, by consulting, educating, providing online and print resources, and providing programs that directly assist residents in transitioning to more efficient and clean energy.

The Philipstown Behavioral Health Hub

5 Stone Street

Cold Spring, NY 10516

philipstownhub.org

The Hub: New Satellite Site Expansion and Integration

Founded in 2019, the Philipstown Behavioral Health Hub (The Hub)'s mission is to create access to mental health and addiction resources for the residents of Philipstown and beyond. While focused primarily on Putnam County, we don't turn away anyone in need. Our team of Care Coordinators helps people navigate the maze of treatment options, providing free access to resources and creating strong relationships.

The Susie Reizod Foundation

P.O. Box 816

New Paltz, NY 12561

www.thesusiereizodfoundation.org

Educational Support: New Backpacks and Shoes for Economically Insecure Children in Ulster and Putnam

The mission of The Susie Reizod Foundation is to provide new shoes to children in need. In special cases, we also provide educational support such as new backpacks, other school items, and financial assistance. We serve economically disadvantaged children, aged 18 and younger, in poor urban and rural areas of the United States and developing countries, regardless of race, ethnicity, religion, language, sexual orientation, or physical ability.

Topfield Equestrian Center

115 Stonecrop Lane

Cold Spring, NY 10516

www.topfieldcenter.org

Access to Therapeutic Equestrianism for ALL: Bringing Equine-Assisted Activities Within Reach

At Topfield Equestrian Center, our mission is to "partner with horses to empower humans." Since 2006 TEC has offered private and small-group adaptive ground and riding programming, and over the last year have successfully expanded our service offerings to include additional therapeutic ground programming (for veterans), adaptive horse driving lessons, equine camps, and creative arts therapies with and without horse involvement. Collectively, we refer to these services as Equine-Assisted Therapeutic Services (or EATS).

Community Grants – Ulster County

Adelante Student Voices

PO Box 3023

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www.adelantestudentvoices.org

Adelante Student Voices

The mission of Adelante Student Voices is to support undocumented young people in the Hudson Valley on their unique journeys to higher education, while simultaneously building their self-advocacy so that they can increase educational opportunities and advance social justice within their own communities.

Ars Choralis

P. O. Box 903

Woodstock, New York 12498

arschoralis.org

Ars Choralis's 2024-25 Season

Ars Choralis is a nonprofit organization dedicated to celebrating the human spirit through the performance of choral music of all periods and styles. We believe music has the power to transcend all barriers of language, culture, race, class, and emotion to unite people in a world of increasing factionalism and violence. Ars Choralis seeks to inspire, encourage, heal, uplift, and further the cause of world peace.

Ashokan Center, Inc.

477 Beaverkill Road

Olivebridge, NY 12461

www.ashokancenter.org

Arts & Outdoor Education Outreach Initiative

Ashokan's mission is "To inspire learning and build community through shared experiences in nature, history, music and art." Ashokan recognizes that connecting with the natural world promotes creativity and transformational experiences.



Career InTouch

58 Brewster St
Kingston, NY 12401

Careerintouch.org

Operational Support for Career InTouch Inc.

This grant will support the youth of Kingston, NY, particularly those from marginalized communities including BIPOC, low-income families, and teenagers facing academic, social, and behavioral challenges. Through our I.M.I Program, we aim to provide mentorship resources and soft-skill development to help these youths transition successfully from middle to high school, reducing the risks of juvenile delinquency and enhancing social and emotional learning, promoting personal and academic growth.

Catskill Hudson Area Health Education Center

598 NY-Route 299
Highland, NY 12528

www.chahec.org

Catskill Hudson Area Health Education Center AHEC Scholars

Catskill Hudson Area Health Education Center advances health equity by supporting a diverse health workforce that serves our most medically underserved communities. We do this by providing educational programs to students, health professionals, and community members. The Area Health Education Center (AHEC) Scholars Program provides 30 health professional students with 80 hours of didactic and experiential training annually. The training supports compassionate, culturally competent care.

Center for Creative Education

16 Cedar Street
Kingston, NY 12401

cce4me.org

After School Arts Education Program

CCE's Mission is to enrich the social and cultural awareness of our youth and community through arts, wellness and education. CCE is an arts based community center that offers a wide array of services and programs including Universal Pre-K for 3-5 year olds, Wrap-Around Childcare, Find the Fun Afterschool Programming with transportation provided from all Kingston City School District Elementary and Middle Schools, afternoon, evening and weekend Arts Enrichment classes for ages 3-seniors, the S.P.I.C.E Women's Empowerment Program that includes free childcare and food, free community events that celebrate culture and community support and an Arts Enrichment Summer Camp.

Clear Path for Veterans, Inc.

1223 Salt Springs Road
Chittenango, New York 13037

www.clearpath4vets.com

Veteran Suicide Prevention

Founded in 2011, Clear Path for Veterans is a haven and a place of solace and comfort. Our mission is to transform communities one Veteran and military family at a time by enriching lives, resolving challenges and offering opportunities for connection, healing and growth. With integrated programs and direct services, we help those who have served heal, grow and become the best versions of themselves. We serve 3,500 Veterans and their families annually, providing more than 10,000 acts of service.

Co-op Hudson Valley

18 Balding Ave

Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

www.coophv.org

Building Entrepreneurship in Underserved Communities in the Hudson Valley

Co-op Hudson Valley partners with workers to start, develop, and sustain cooperative enterprises and to build collective economic power. We work to grow a thriving regional solidarity economy that centers equity and justice for people who have been excluded from economic security. By pairing non-extractive loans with technical assistance and coaching, we ensure that our support for local co-ops translates into sustainable change and financial health for historically marginalized communities.

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Family of Woodstock, Inc.

PO Box 3516

31 Albany Avenue

Kingston, NY 12402

www.familyofwoodstockinc.org

SPANISH HELP LINE AND CITIZENSHIP APPLICATION

Family of Woodstock, Inc. is a network of individuals, paid and volunteer, whose mission is to provide confidential and fully accessible crisis intervention, information, prevention, care coordination, and support services to address the needs of individuals and families, and to build a supportive and healthy community. We believe that the common ground is greater than the differences which divide us, and that everyone deserves the respect and support of our larger community.



Harambee

157 Pine St

Kingston, NY 12401

www.harambeekinstonny.org

Harambee African Burial Ground Support

In Swahili, Harambee means "The Coming Together of People." Harambee Kingston, NY Inc. is an African American cultural & arts education organization specializing in events, festivals and curation of the Pine Street African Burial Ground.

Historic Huguenot Street

88 Huguenot Street

New Paltz, NY 12561

www.huguenotstreet.org

General Operating Funding for Historic Huguenot Street (HHS)

Historic Huguenot Street envisions the organization evolving into a nationally recognized historic site that inspires guests to think in new ways about American history by examining the relationship between past and present. This vision aligns with the historic site's mission: "To preserve a unique Hudson Valley Huguenot settlement and engage diverse audiences in the exploration of America's multicultural past in order to understand the historical forces that have shaped America."



Holistic Health Community, Inc.

P.O. Box 725

Stone Ridge, NY 12484

www.holistichealthcommunity.org

Holistic Healthcare Community Access Program

Our mission is to provide equitable access to whole person, holistic healthcare that educates, heals, and promotes well-being in our community by addressing body, mind and spirit. Over the past three years, HHC has developed and expanded its events for underserved populations, focused in Kingston. HHC partners with community-based organizations to deliver services directly into the neighborhoods and shared spaces of community members who might otherwise lack access.

HomeShare Woodstock

16 Rock City Road

Woodstock, NY 12498

www.familyofwoodstockinc.org/home-share-woodstock

HomeShare Woodstock

HomeShare Woodstock connects home providers and home seekers to help people remain in their communities, strengthen bonds between neighbors, and create mutually beneficial, affordable housing solutions. Home sharing is a way to focus on: connecting people; crucially needed housing; keeping people in the homes they own.

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Hudson River Watershed Alliance

PO Box 1734

Kingston, NY 12402

hudsonwatershed.org

General Operating Support for the Hudson River Watershed Alliance

The Hudson River Watershed Alliance's (HRWA) mission is to unite and empower communities to protect our shared waters. We work across the Hudson River watershed to support local watershed groups, foster collaboration, and communicate as a collective voice. Water quality and flooding issues are best addressed through a watershed-scale approach, which requires a group like HRWA to convene communities across political lines, address equity and justice issues, and improve decision making.

Hudson Valley Hospice Foundation

80 Washington Street, Suite 204
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

www.hvhospice.org

Music Therapy Tool Kit

HVHF was established as a not-for-profit 501(c)3 organization to educate the community on hospice care, raise necessary funds and accept contributions that enabled HVHospice to continue with an enhanced hospice program. Today, the Foundation continues to raise awareness and funding in support of Hudson Valley Hospice, including helping to provide charity care and nonformulary drugs for the uninsured and underinsured, music therapy, end of life doulas, grief and bereavement services and more.

Hudson Valley Symphony Orchestra

P. O. Box 3554
Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

www.hudsonvalleysymphony.org

Administrative Capacity Building and Accounting System for HVSO's Inaugural year

The Hudson Valley Symphony Orchestra brings people together to inspire an appreciation for exceptional music. Through engaging performances of classics to new compositions, the Hudson Valley Symphony Orchestra provides accessible, outstanding musical experiences for communities throughout the region. The Hudson Valley Symphony Orchestra connects with new audiences and the next generation through interactive and educational opportunities, fostering the arts and humanity that unites us.

**fiscally sponsored by FJC*

HUDSY Community Project Inc.

721 Broadway
STE 260
Kingston, NY 12401

www.hudsy.org

HUDSY Community Project Inc

HUDSY's mission is to unite and empower the Hudson Valley through impactful storytelling by promoting diversity, providing opportunities, fostering understanding, and driving positive change. We achieve our mission by capturing the stories and preserving the culture of the Hudson Valley through documentary film; training the next generation of storytellers; and sharing diverse films and creative stories that bring people together online on the free streaming service HUDSY.tv and live events.

Kingston House of Culture

PO Box 1099
272 Hasbrouck Avenue
Kingston, NY 12401

Kingston House of Culture: Legal ID's for Local Immigrant Program

To foster unity and celebrate diversity, KHOC is dedicated to organizing inclusive community cultural & educational events that advocate for the rich tapestry of cultures in our area. We strive to create an inclusive space, promoting understanding, appreciation, and collaboration among all cultures of our community. We offer resource/referral services for those new to this country, including work with mobile consulates to provide legal ID's for immigrants in the form of foreign passports.

**fiscally sponsored by Clinton Avenue United Methodist Church*

Land to Learn

P.O. Box 223
Beacon, NY 12508

www.landtolearn.org

SproutEd Program Expansion

Land to Learn's mission is to help grow a movement for food justice and community wellness through garden-based education. We create learning opportunities for children and youth that empower them with resources and skills to develop lifelong healthful habits and an appreciation for the natural world.

Maya Gold Foundation

5 Wawarsing Road
New Paltz, NY 12561

www.mayagoldfoundation.org

Improving Community Outreach and Engagement With New Media Tools

The Maya Gold Foundation's mission is to empower youth to access their inner wisdom and realize their dreams. The Foundation's core values are to: uplift and empower youth and adults, promote and embrace change, work with compassion and respect, and celebrate creativity and joy. We are committed to supporting and developing programs for teens that enhance emotional awareness, build mutual support and caring among teens and adults, strengthen inner resilience and teach mindfulness practice.

Mentoring MUSE

8 Ann Lane
Rosendale, NY 12472

mentoringmuse.com

Mentoring MUSE

OUR MISSION is to provide Ulster County women with an opportunity to navigate their purpose with passion. We foster a supportive community for underserved women to create their unique roadmap to success. Through one-to-one mentorship, support groups, workshops, and mentoring think-tanks our mentees gain the confidence to pursue their educational, personal and entrepreneurial goals.

**fiscally sponsored by the Good Work Institute*

People's Place

17 St. James Street
Kingston, NY 12401

www.peoplesplace.org

Community Cafe

The Mission of People's Place mission is to feed, clothe and respond to the essential needs of the people in Ulster County with kindness, compassion and the preservation of human dignity. Our purpose is to operate solely to fulfill our charitable mission of feeding and clothing individuals while providing hope, support and assistance with life events. People's Place has been feeding our community for 52 years and our multiple programs such as our Food Pantry, Farm Stand, Bag Summer Hunger and Community Cafe help our neighbors struggling throughout Ulster County. Each year we continue to see an increase in people using our programming. Last year we provided over 1.5 MILLION meals to those visiting us.

Rondout Valley Food Pantry Inc.

3775 Main Street
PO Box 22
Stone Ridge, NY 12484

www.rvfoodpantry.org

Rondout Valley Food Pantry Inc.

Our mission is to provide nourishment and education, to advocate for individuals and families in need, and to treat all who seek assistance with dignity, respect, and compassion. The aim of our organization is to make sure we are able to reach as many people who are in need of food assistance in our community as possible. Having such a vast service area stretching to 5 different townships, also gives us a vast background of guests and people that use our programs.

Seed Song Center

64 Gill Street
Kingston, NY 12401

www.seedsongfarm.org

Increasing Capacity for Seed Song Center's Youth Programs

Seed Song Center offers all people access to farm, nature, and arts-based experiences and educational programming, including youth summer camps, afterschool programs, field trips, public events, workshops, and festivals. By celebrating our land and food together, we evolve our local culture toward equitable and sustainable land access and stewardship.

The Center for Photography at Woodstock

474 Broadway
Kingston, NY 12401

cpw.org

CPW's Social Practice Program

CPW is an artist-driven and community-based space dedicated to working with artists to develop their work and to our social context through photography and visual culture. We use critical exhibitions of contemporary and historical photography, public programs, research, and teaching to rethink conventions of how we see and engage with the world, and to reconsider how those viewing habits have been shaped by photographic imagery.

TMI Project

65 St James Street
Kingston, NY 12401

www.tmiproject.org

TMI Project

TMI Project is changing the world, one story at a time, by crafting and amplifying true stories that set us free. Through workshops we guide people who do not often have the chance to tell their stories and be heard. In our live performances and digital content, everyday unsung heroes do more than entertain. They boldly share their "TMI " experiences to replace shame with freedom.

Town of Esopus Volunteer Ambulance Squad

1 Cross Street
Ulster Park, New York 12487

www.esopusems.com

Upgrading Mission-critical EMS Equipment

The Town of Esopus Volunteer Ambulance Squad (TEVAS) is a rural volunteer emergency medical services agency that provides coverage for five fire districts in the Town of Esopus: Port Ewen, Esopus, Rifton, St. Remy, and Connelly.



Ulster County Regional Chamber of Commerce Foundation, Inc.

214 Fair Street
Kingston, NY 12401

ulsterchamberfoundation.org

Ulster Chamber Foundation - Professional Development 2025

Ulster Chamber Foundation programs inspire/prepare individuals to lead/mentor within the region's businesses/community organizations. The corporation is organized and operates exclusively for the purpose of receiving and administering funds for charitable purposes that promote and support the mission of the Ulster County Regional Chamber of Commerce, Inc., which provides services and advocacy on behalf of its membership and the community to advance the region's economic health and vitality.

Ulster Immigrant Defense Network, Inc

30 Pine Grove Avenue
Kingston, NY 12401

ulsterimmigrantdefensenetwork.org

Food/Housing Security and Pathways to Self-Sufficiency For Ulster County Immigrants

Ulster Immigrant Defense Network's mission is to provide a network of safety and support services for Immigrants. Since its founding in 2017, UIDN has provided direct services to strengthen the safety net for newcomers by ensuring that essential needs are being met for those experiencing food and housing insecurity. UIDN also focuses on pathways to self-sufficiency and economic mobility through workforce development programs and by helping those who qualify gain legal status.

Worker Justice Center of New York

9 Main St.
Kingston, NY 12401

www.wjcny.org

Protecting and Advancing the Rights of Low-Wage Workers in Dutchess, Putnam, and Ulster Counties

Worker Justice Center of New York (WJCNY) pursues justice for those denied human rights with a focus on agricultural and other low-wage workers, through legal representation, community empowerment, and advocacy for institutional change. We believe people should have access to high-quality legal services and the education and tools to advocate for themselves and their communities, that bad actors should be held accountable, and that public policies must protect workers' rights and safety.

YMCA of Kingston and Ulster County

507 Broadway
Kingston, NY 12401

www.ymcaulster.org

Lend-A-Wheel

The YMCA of Kingston and Ulster County is a charitable service-focused organization, part of an open, inclusive interfaith movement that presents programs that build character, respond to community needs, and help build spirit, mind, and body for all. Programs focus on youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility. The Y advocates the principles of caring, honesty, respect, and responsibility. Everyone is always welcome at the Y.



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CommunityFoundationsHV.org