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OTSEGO COUNTY CEMETERY RESTORATION FUND OPENS



The Community Foundation of Otsego County announces the creation of a new fund, the Otsego County Cemetery Restoration Fund. Through the generosity of an anonymous donor, this fund has been established with \$50,000 to support the preservation and historic quality of Otsego County cemeteries. Caring for county cemeteries is an important way to honor Otsego County history and the resting places of the pioneers and their descendants who built the county.

Cemetery projects can be proposed by service organizations, scout troops, Granges, or others. The minimum award is \$500 and the maximum award is \$5,000. Special consideration is given to cemeteries in the smaller communities in the county. For more details on how to receive an award, please contact Jeff Katz at jeff@cfotsego.org or call 607-286-3750.

Donations to the Otsego County
Cemetery Restoration Fund can be made
here: https://cfotsego.org/our-funds.
Donations can be made to specific
cemeteries, including churchyard
cemeteries, by adding their names in
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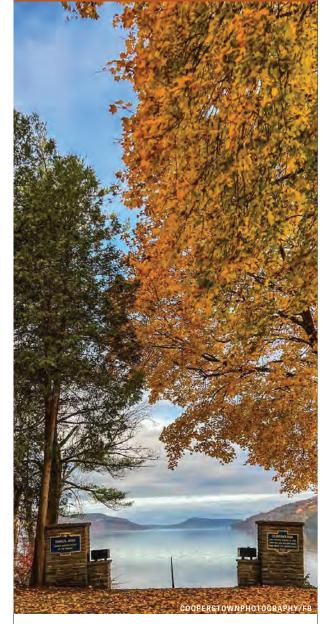
CFOC BY THE NUMBERS

775 NUMBER OF DONORS
\$4,164,191 AMOUNT GIVEN BY DONORS
91 TOTAL NUMBER OF AWARDS/GRANTS
\$641,924 TOTAL AMOUNT AWARDED/GRANTED

AS OF OCTOBER 15, 2023

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THIRD QUARTER REPORT





MOHAWK VALLEY GIVES HAPPILY EXCEEDS ALL EXPECTATIONS





After last year's successful debut of Mohawk Valley Gives, a special giving day that raised over \$600,000 for Herkimer and Oneida County nonprofits, the Community Foundation of Otsego County had one goal – to provide access to Mohawk Valley Gives 2023 for Otsego County nonprofits.

We are glad we made that happen. When the donation period ended on September 30, Mohawk Valley Gives, originated by the Community Foundation of Herkimer and Oneida Counties, proved to be a smash hit. Otsego nonprofits, 63 of them, raised \$220,000 from more than 900 donations. The Community Foundation of Otsego County is thrilled to have created this opportunity for our Otsego nonprofits.

"We were cautiously optimistic that CFOC's work to gain access to Mohawk Valley Gives for Otsego County nonprofits would be successful," said Community Foundation Executive Director Jeff Katz, "but we were amazed at the number of nonprofits that participated and the total dollar amount generated."

Nonprofits were equally excited, especially on September 20, the Mohawk Valley Gives Day that was the focal point of the event.

"We were beyond grateful to have the opportunity to participate in Mohawk

Valley Gives," said Caryn Reeves, Associate Director of Development at the Glimmerglass Festival. "The ability to see all of the different giving challenges and matches for September 20 made us consider how to incorporate these methods into our future fundraising campaigns." The Glimmerglass Festival raised \$57,340 from 171 donations, finishing second in the Community Foundation of Otsego County Campaign and eighth overall – out of 254 participating nonprofits.

"We loved the influx of new donors we had never interacted with before, and we were pleased with the \$16,330 we raised" said Cherise Tolbert, Development and Communications Manager at the Otsego Land Trust. "I loved the leaderboard and the media tools were great."

While Otsego's first year on Mohawk Valley Gives was fantastic, there's room for growth. This year Mohawk Valley Gives raised almost \$2.5 million dollars, four times as much as last year. CFOC sees our Otsego nonprofits learning from this year's experience and building on a solid foundation.

"We are so thankful to the Community Foundation of Otsego County for all the work you did to include Otsego County nonprofits in Mohawk Valley Gives and raise awareness of this giving day on our behalf," said Alexis Savidge, Director of Development at Family Planning of South Central New York. "We are very grateful to have been included in this effort and look forward to participating next year!"

The Community Foundation of Otsego County is dedicated to making 2024's Mohawk Valley Gives a bigger triumph.

STUDENT VOICES, STUDENT CHOICES ON NOVEMBER 20



2022 WINNERS - GILBERTSVILLE - MOUNT UPTON
Their award-winning presentation helped the Regional Food Bank
of New York's Backpack program that provides food to many
schools in Otsego County.

Student Voices, Student Choices 2023 is in high gear and the schools and panelists are ready! This year's event is to be held on November 20, 6-9 PM, at the Slade Theater, 4th floor of Yager Hall, Hartwick College. We're doing a lot of publicity this year – social media posts, newspaper and TV ads, newspaper columns, etc.

Our second year is proving to be a huge leap forward for the program. It's all very exciting and the student teams feel it. We've visited all the schools and the students' project ideas are diverse and interesting, and their enthusiasm is high.

There is no admission fee so please join us for the presentations.



Hartwick College brought 50 Otsego County high school students and their advisors to campus to help plan their programs.

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