

Adirondack Trust Company Community Fund

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ADIRONDACK TRUST COMPANY COMMUNITY FUND ANNOUNCES 2011 GRANT RECIPIENTS

Saratoga Springs, New York...The Adirondack Trust Company Community Fund recently announced that the Advisory Committee has awarded grants to nine, local, non-profit organizations, totaling \$10,250. The grants were handed out at the Community Fund's inaugural grant award reception. The name of each organization and a brief description of how they will use the funds are listed below. Directors or representatives of each organization were present at the reception and briefly spoke about their respective organization's mission and commitment to their programs.

Grant awards were provided to:

1. **Aspire** (Autism Spectrum Peer Integration & Recreation) -for transportation expenses
2. **Domestic Violence and Rape Crisis Services of Saratoga County** - to support the Youth Services Program
3. **First Baptist Church of Ballston Spa** -to help fund the Summer Feeding Program
4. **Friends of Ulysses S. Grant Cottage** -to develop a "Guide by Cell" audio service
5. **Glens Falls -Queensbury Historical Association** –assist with funding for the School Outreach program
6. **Peaceful Acres Horses** -to support Equine Assisted Learning for At-Risk Youth
7. **Regional Food Bank of Northeastern N.Y.** -to offset Saratoga County transportation expenses
8. **Saratoga Sponsor A Scholar** -to provide Graphing Calculators to program students
9. **Saratoga Springs Preservation Foundation** -to support the Restoration of the Spencer Trask Memorial & Spirit of Life

Speaking on behalf of the ATCCF Advisory Committee, Chairperson, Joan Taylor, noted: "We are extremely grateful for this opportunity to present these deserving organizations with these grants. The purpose of the General Fund component of The Community Fund is to provide specific funding for programs and services that have a direct benefit to the communities they serve. There was a wide –variety of programs funded that will provide direct benefits in Saratoga, Warren and Washington counties, the area of focus for the General Fund."

For the 2012 grant period, The Community Fund will accept grant applications between June 1st and September 28th. The grant application can be found on The Community Fund website.

The Adirondack Trust Company Community Fund ("The Community Fund") was established in 2009 to serve as a perpetual source of philanthropic support for the needs of local charities. The Fund is an independent 501(c) (3) charitable organization. The Adirondack Trust Company serves as the Trustee and Administrator of The Community Fund with the guidance of an Independent Advisory Committee, comprised of individuals from the community. The Community Fund's website is www.atccommunityfund.org

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