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**Connecting People Who Care With Causes That Matter** 

























## Playing Matchmaker

CFOS Scholarship Portal Helps Local Students Find Best Match Scholarships High school graduations are months away, but it's scholarship season at the Community Foundation of Orange and Sullivan! This year, our component funds are awarding 150 scholarships worth nearly \$446,0000. Now is the time for students to apply through our easy online portal.

Seniors need only fill out a single application found at cfosny.org to be notified of which scholarships they are eligible for and whether those scholarships have additional application requirements. This streamlined process helps students find the best fit opportunities for their unique circumstances and abilities.

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## Message from leadership



Over the past two years, we here at the Community Foundation of Orange and Sullivan, have seen the power of coming together for the greater good, which has provided a great deal of hope through a dark and challenging time. We can't thank our many supporters and champions enough for giving to and through our many component funds to support countless charitable grants, scholarships and donations that have directly supported people and organizations in the Orange and Sullivan County area. Our work is challenging and never ending and our staff, board of directors and committees are more committed than ever to our role in building a fair and equitable future for all.

This edition of Giving Matters is filled with stories of hope and inspiration, and we encourage you to continue to engage with the Foundation and our family of funds ... there is truly something for everyone and we are here as your resource in connecting people who care with causes that matter - now and forever.

All the best for continued good health and prosperity,

Elizabeth Rowley

CFOS President and CFO

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### We welcome four new CFOS board members!



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Rowley Family
Foundation Fund
for Women and
Children awards
\$539,716.14 to 24
organizations in
Orange, Sullivan,
and Ulster
counties.

The Rowley Family Foundation Fund for Women and Children distributes grants to support innovative projects or programs geared towards the empowerment of women and children. This year, the family acknowledged the pandemic among adverse childhood experiences and considered its impacts while reviewing its applications.

"The devastating impacts of the pandemic on women and children have been difficult to quantify," noted Rich Rowley. "But upon reading the quality and quantity of applications we received for grants this year, it's clear that support is needed now and by many."

"The grantees selected are varied but all represent marginalized groups of women and children from migrant farm families to people of color and those who have been incarcerated, as well as those who face obstacles ranging from emotional or physical disabilities to financial insecurity," added Marianne Murray. "The programs we are funding aim to bridge gaps and give a hand up through valuable services which again are diverse; but whether food, literacy, legal services, or the arts, deliver hope to those struggling each and every day."

Among the grant recipients is Rural & Migrant Ministry, Inc. which operated a youth empowerment program in Sullivan County whose members created a rural youth-led cooperative business, Bags for Justice. Members create designs based on themes of social injustice for artisanal shoulder bags and t-shirts.

"We're truly grateful to the fund for partnering with Rural & Migrant Ministry to support the development of isolated and often underestimated young people in Sullivan County," said Rev. Richard Witt, Rural & Migrant Ministry, Inc. Executive Director.

A full list of 2022 recipients and funded programs receiving grants ranging from \$5,000 to \$50,000 can be found at **cfosny.org**.

## Community Foundation Hosts

## 7th Annual Hudson Valley GIVES

With the pandemic wreaking havoc on nonprofits' ability to host traditional events, never has online fundraising been more important. The Community Foundation is proud to host its 7th annual Hudson Valley Gives on Wednesday, May 18. It's anticipated that the 24-hour online event will top last year's unprecedented success.

"Nonprofits in the region need a way to reach the generous base of online donors who wish to support their important work, and Hudson Valley Gives provides that platform," said Nicole Feller Lee, CFOS Director of Development and Communications.

Over the last six years, Hudson Valley Gives has supported hundreds of nonprofits in seven Hudson Valley counties by raising more than \$2 million. CFOS proudly leads this initiative, providing an online platform at HVGives.org and technical assistance and training for participating nonprofits. All donations received are deposited directly into each participating organization's bank account. The nonprofits are eligible for additional prize money thanks to the generosity of corporate sponsors.

Any 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization incorporated in or serving the Hudson Valley – as well as charitable funds at local community foundations – may participate in Hudson Valley Gives. To register, visit HVGives.org.

HVGives.org will open to online donations on May 1. There's a diverse array of local causes to support, including animal shelters, arts groups, ambulance corps, libraries, historical societies, museums, farmland and environmental preservation groups, food pantries, human service organizations, health agencies and hospitals, recreation and youth groups, scholarship funds, and veterans' organizations.

For more information or if your business is interested in sponsoring Hudson Valley Gives, contact CFOS Director of Development and Communications Nicole Feller Lee at Nicole@cfosny.org.



## Save the DATES

Deadline for Nonprofits to Register: Sunday, May 1

Online Day of Giving: Wednesday, May 18

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**HVGives.org!** 

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## Playing Matchmaker

(Continued from cover)

Goshen High School alumna Julia Morino says that's just what happened when she was awarded the Joshua Stamm Memorial Scholarship in 2020.

"When I found out that I won the Joshua Stamm Memorial Scholarship, I cried tears of joy. I was so happy," said Morino. "I knew I was the right candidate. Every day I am persevering through my daily challenges just like Joshua did."

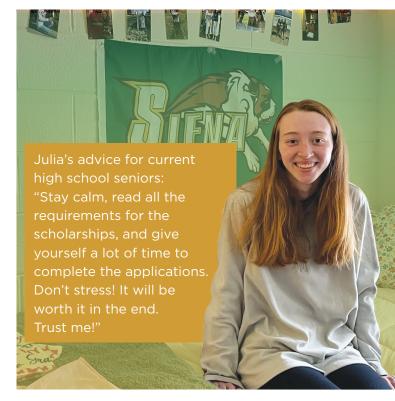
Joshua was an Eagle Scout, a member of the 105th Air National Guard's Young Champions, a skier, music fan, baseball player, and wheelchair road race participant. A scholarship is awarded to the Goshen High School graduate who demonstrates his qualities of determination, caring, compassion, and an independent spirit, and who, despite a disability, was able to excel and will attend college.

Julia didn't let a speech impediment stop her from excelling academically and completing over 90 hours of community service throughout her high school career. She currently studies accounting and marketing with a concentration in financial planning at Siena College and plans to go to graduate school and take the CPA exam to become a certified public accountant.

"Academics are my top priority, and I won't give up ever," added Morino. "I am confident if Joshua was still alive today, he would've gone very far into his education. I will always demonstrate the characteristics Joshua did and never forget that I won this scholarship."



Joshua Stamm



Julia Morino



## Ask Lisa Mitchell

Lisa Mitchell is the Community Foundation's new Programs & Donor Services Coordinator, overseeing the grants and scholarship program at CFOS. Lisa is available to answer any scholarship or fund related questions. Give her a call at 845-769-9393 or email her at Lisa@cfosny.org. She is happy to meet one-on-one in person or virtually with donors and students.

The following funds have joined the CFOS Family of Funds since the start of our fiscal year. We are honored to support their charitable intentions. Please visit cfosny.org to learn about these funds or make a contribution.









Miles of Hope Breast Cancer Foundation Fund

9/11 Education Foundation

Goshen Class of 2026 Booster Club Fund

Alessi Family Fund



YIT Scholarship Fund



Marc DeLuca Scholarship Fund



Jose (Jason) Brizell Fund



RedTail Flight Academy Fund



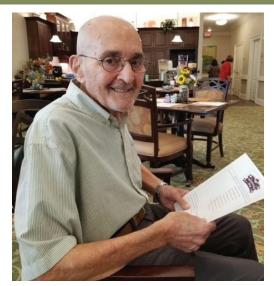
Parksville Arts Center Fund



The Daniel P. Downing Habitat for Humanity of Greater Newburgh Fund



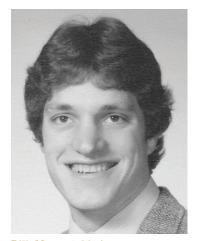
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Albert M. Pavese Fund



Warwick FTC Fund



Billy Moran Athletic Scholarship Fund



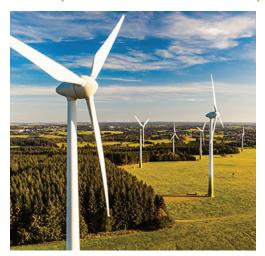
Austin Andolsek Memorial **Scholarship Fund** 



Taylor Pierson Memorial **Scholarship Fund** 



Joshua David Glantz Trade School Scholarship Fund



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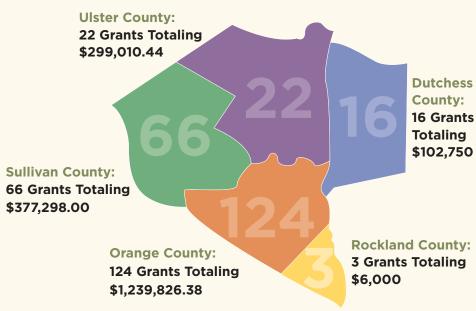
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#### THURSDAY, MARCH 24 4:00-5:00 P.M.

Please call **845-769-9393** or visit cfosny.org to register.

CFOS Funds Distributed 274 Grants to Nonprofits Totaling \$2,664,124.62 Since the Start of the Fiscal Year

(July 1, 2021)





Outside region: 42 Grants Totaling \$639,239.80