

2024 NCM ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC

With the help of our sponsors, golfers, and golf committee our
2024 Annual Golf Classic raised...

\$42,585!

The funds we raised throughout the golf tournament will be invested back into our communities. They will ensure that we can feed those who are hungry, heat the homes of those who are cold, house those who are homeless, and assist in ways that are most meaningful to those who need our assistance.

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Fall 2024 Newsletter



North Country Ministry is a non - profit organization that relies solely on donations for our programs and services. We are on track to provide more than 24,000 people with clothes, food, furniture, casework services, emergency fuel and mortgage/rent payments. Interested in donating to support our programs and services - use your cell phone camera to scan the QR Code to the right.



SAVE THE DATE

**NORTH COUNTRY MINISTRY
SPRING FUNDRAISER**

**FRIDAY, MAY 16, 2025
6-10PM**

**CARRIAGE HOUSE,
FORT WILLIAM HENRY
LAKE GEORGE, NY**



GIVING TREE HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Our Giving Tree Program is now open for families to register! Our goal for this holiday season is to adopt 250 children, and we need your help to ensure these children have a Christmas to remember. This program offers families in our catchment area the opportunity to provide NCM with their child's Christmas wish list. We then collaborate with our generous donors to match these children's wish lists with the goal of making their holiday dreams come true. Many of our donors enjoy personally shopping for these children or families and dropping off the gifts at our office upon completion. For those who prefer to provide a monetary donation, we do organize volunteers to shop for these holiday lists on behalf of the children and families. This presents a wonderful opportunity to help families in the community have a stress-free and joyful holiday season.

If you are interested in shopping for a child or multiple children, or becoming a volunteer shopper for this program, please contact Chris at Chris@ncmfriends.com or call 518-623-2829 ext. 305

We also collect monetary donations for this program, if you would like to donate, please visit <https://bit.ly/ncmgivingtree> or use the QR Code provided.



WE ARE THERE FOR THOSE GOING THROUGH DIFFICULT TIMES AND WE NEED YOUR HELP TO CONTINUE

NCM could not be more profoundly grateful for the support of our incredible donors over the years. The generous contributions by so many have played a pivotal role in supporting us to help strengthen our community members by ensuring they remain healthy and vibrant. Through the contributions of our donors, we can provide essential support to those who are in need and are slipping through the cracks of our social service systems. The services we provide are not just to offer clothing, food and meeting the most basic needs, but we help to heat the homes of those who are cold, house the homeless, and provide support to families in ways that are significant and meaningful to them.

Our statistics from previous years continue to show that we are addressing the demands for our services at levels that are still on the rise. All our programs are still experiencing an increase in demand, when we had already felt the demands last year. While we are committed to doing what it takes to meet these ever-growing needs, it does strain our financial resources. In an effort to remain transparent, we encourage you to continue to look at the statistics that are released in each newsletter to show the direct impact we are having on our communities and those we serve.



With the year-end giving season approaching, we kindly request your consideration in supporting North Country Ministry. Your continued contributions have a significant impact on our ability to assist those in our community.

We have a lofty goal of raising \$72,000 through our end-of-the-year appeal! We hope that you will consider making a meaningful gift to NCM.

CASEWORKER CORNER

Recently, we welcomed a mother and her two adult children, all survivors of tremendous hardship, to our clothing center. This family had relocated from North Carolina to the Adirondacks in search of safety and a fresh start after experiencing profound tragedy. They had recently lost their father, and one of the children had been a victim of a violent assault, leaving the child with a traumatic brain injury (TBI). Facing multiple challenges, mental health struggles, TBI, and severe disability, the family was left trying to survive on the limited income from a disability check and sporadic under-the-table cleaning work.

Despite their desperate circumstances, they found hope in a potential rental property. Yet, without sufficient funds for the first month's rent and security deposit, they faced an impasse. Temporary Assistance was denied due to the adult status of the children, and government support options like HUD were currently unavailable. However, thanks to the compassion and resourcefulness of our caseworker, Rebecca, the family's hope was restored.

Rebecca went above and beyond, mobilizing her network of local agencies and resources. She successfully enrolled the family in health insurance, secured a government-issued phone to ensure they had a means of communication, and collaborated with a family foundation to bridge the gap in financing for their housing. In addition, through our organization's connection with a supportive landlord, Rebecca was able to arrange for the family to move into their new home while awaiting their first disability check.

The journey of this family is a testament to how, with the right support, lives can be improved and changed. Through the dedication of our team and the generosity of donors like you, we can continue to respond swiftly to the needs of families facing crisis situations.

SUMMER MONTHS STATISTICS JULY - SEPT

Brant Lake Food Pantry

Served 449 Households, 1,085 People
NCM purchased 15,059 LB's of Food to support our Brant Lake Food Pantry last quarter.

Warrensburg Food Pantry

Served 456 Households, 1,340 People
NCM purchased 9,812 LB's of Food to support our Warrensburg Food Pantry last quarter.

Mobile Mart Food Pantry

Served 145 Households, 295 People

Warrensburg & Brant Lake Clothing Center

Saw 904 visitors, which provided clothes for 2,706 People

Casework Statistics

Served 332 Unique Clients
Provided \$24,078 in Financial Assistance
Our caseworker team provided 19 households with rental/mortgage assistance totaling \$8,442 in funding.
Rental/mortgage assistance is up 50% over the summer months of 2024.

Furniture Program

180 Households received Furniture
13% increase over the prior quarter

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