

# Black, White, & Green All Over NCM's 2025 Spring Fundraiser

## Event Details

**FRIDAY, MAY 16, 2025, FROM 6-10 PM**  
**FORT WILLIAM HENRY, CARRIAGE HOUSE**  
48 CANADA STREET, LAKE GEORGE, NY 12845

Join us for an evening of dancing, chef inspired cuisine, cocktails, and a live auction all while supporting the work NCM does for the North Country.

**Tickets are \$150 per person or \$175 for reserved seats**

Tickets include an evening of fine fare, the first two hours of complimentary spirits, plus beer, wine, and all non-alcoholic drinks all evening.  
Tickets can be purchased on our website or the QR Code to the right.



## Sponsorship Opportunities

### PREMIER EVENT SPONSORS

#### Emerald \$25,000

Premier website promotion of your sponsorship. This sponsorship level will receive special reserved seating for 20, and two bottles of wine at each of your tables, and promotion of your sponsorship on signage at the event, and on social media.

#### Platinum \$15,000

This sponsorship level will receive special reserved seating for 10, two bottles of wine at your table, and promotion of your sponsorship on signage at the event, on our website, and on social media.

#### Gold \$10,000

This sponsorship level will receive special reserved seating for 8, two bottles of wine at your table, and promotion of your sponsorship on signage at the event, on our website, and on social media.

#### Silver \$5,000

This sponsorship level will receive special reserved seating for 6, two bottles of wine at your table, and promotion of your sponsorship on signage at the event, on our website, and on social media.

#### Bronze \$2,500

This sponsorship level will receive special reserved seating for 4, a bottle of wine at your table, and promotion of your sponsorship on signage at the event, on our website, and on social media.



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### EVENING EVENT SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

ENTERTAINMENT SPONSOR - \$2,000

SIGNATURE COCKTAIL SPONSOR - \$1,500

APPETIZER DISPLAY SPONSORS - \$1,000

COFFEE & DESSERT SPONSORS - \$750

CENTERPIECE SPONSORS - \$500

PHOTO-OP & PROP SPONSORS - \$250

Please visit our website to sponsor our event [www.northcountryministry.org/blackwhitegreen](http://www.northcountryministry.org/blackwhitegreen)  
or contact Kayla, at [kayla@ncmfriends.com](mailto:kayla@ncmfriends.com) at 518-623-2829 ext. 303

# HELP US AS WE OFFER A HAND OF HOPE ! North Country Ministry

To learn more about  
volunteer opportunities...

Talk to Chris Jones (Vol. Coordinator)

Call > (518) 623-2829 (Ex: 305)

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# GRATITUDE AND GRACE FOR SR. FRAN



NCM’s roots are deeply embedded in those who founded this incredible organization. Sister Francesca Husselbeck was one of the first two original Co-Directors of North Country Ministry. She was sent to the North Country by the Albany Catholic Diocese, as they knew there was a need in the area but left it to her and Sister Mary to figure out what those needs were and how to go about meeting those needs. These two established this organization in 1992, creating the Gathering Place (a soup kitchen) that “only cost a smile” to attend, the Baby’s Place and Play Group, as well as a Clothing Center to start. Sr. Fran’s desire to be among the Adirondacks with her passion for hiking, combined with her calling to serve the people of the North Country, helped in the creation of an organization that is “for the Adirondack people, by the Adirondack people.”

Sister Fran Husselbeck passed away peacefully on Sunday, January 19, 2025, in St. Peter’s Hospital, Albany, after a brief battle with cancer. Her services were filled with those who loved her and whose lives she had forever changed. Beautiful memories were shared of her calling to serve the North Country and her passion and sense of accomplishment in the creation of North Country Ministry. As an organization, we owe all our gratitude and grace to this incredible woman whose passion brought her to this area and created this beautiful organization, “for the Adirondack people, by the Adirondack people.” Rest in Peace, Sr. Fran!

# WE ARE A PROUD RECIPIENT OF A MOTHER CABRINI GRANT

North Country Ministry has entered a new chapter, and we are humbled and excited to share that we have been chosen as a 2024-2025 grantee of the Mother Cabrini Health Foundation. This support empowers us to provide our unique casework in deeper and more impactful ways. We have received funding to assist the work we provide with advocacy, through our Emergency Financial Assistance Fund. This funding will aid in the support we provide in our community with rental assistance, heating needs, household and car repairs, medication and so much more. This has been a reflection of what’s possible when partnerships are rooted in hope and action. Thank you to the Mother Cabrini Health Foundation for this incredible opportunity. We are ready to make a difference, together!

“This year our Foundation hit a milestone in our impact and continued responding to key issues across the state – from maternal health and childhood hunger to immigrant healthcare workforces and mental healthcare for our senior citizens. Our grantees and their commitment to the health and well-being of New Yorkers inspire our grantmaking processes and focus areas year after year. We’re looking forward to another year of the collaboration and community engagement that motivates our work,” said Daniel Frascella, Chief Programs and Grants Officer of the Mother Cabrini Health Foundation.



We’re a Mother Cabrini Health Foundation Grantee!

# CASEWORK CORNER - CLIENT STORY

December is a season of joy, warmth, and togetherness. For many of us, it is a time to gather with loved ones, revel in the comfort of home, and celebrate the magic of the holidays. Yet, for some in our community, this season brings a stark reminder of struggles that weigh heavily on their shoulders. It is in these moments that the power of community and generosity shine brightly through our work at NCM. This year, our Casework team had the privilege of assisting a resilient family of five facing unimaginable hardship. For months, they had been living out of their car—three little ones under the age of five, all cooped up with no beds to call their own. As the bitter cold of winter set in, the parents’ anxiety grew. They were desperate to provide a sense of safety and warmth for their children. When we met them, they had just moved into a small place to call home. It should have been a turning point, but life had more challenges in store. Their only vehicle broke down, leaving Dad unable to get to work. Their bills began to pile up, and just as hope seemed within reach, it felt as though it was slipping away again. With heavy hearts, they turned to NCM for help. With the collaboration of other nonprofits and the remarkable generosity of a private donor, we were able to help them stay in their new home. Together, we stabilized their footing and gave them a renewed chance of a brighter future. But with Christmas on the horizon and no budget for gifts, the family worried about what kind of holiday they could give their children. That is when our team sprang into action. We added their names to our Giving Tree Program and connected them with a donor determined to make this Christmas unforgettable. And deliver they did! The children’s wish lists were fulfilled beyond expectations, with toys, clothes, and surprises. For one day, their worries melted away, replaced by the pure delight of a happy Christmas morning. This moment of joy, and the profound impact it had on this family, was made possible because of you. It is your unwavering support and generosity that empowers us to meet these urgent needs and transform lives. Together, we are not just helping families survive, we are giving them hope, dignity, and the promise of a brighter tomorrow.

Written by: Erin Fritz

# FALL MONTHS STATISTICS OCT - DEC

- Brant Lake Food Pantry  
Served 500 Households, 1,373 People  
Increase of 10% from prior quarter
- Warrensburg Food Pantry  
Served 508 Households, 1,212 People  
Increase of 11% from prior quarter
- Mobile Mart Food Pantry  
Served 140 Households, 264 People
- Warrensburg & Brant Lake Clothing Centers  
Saw 899 visitors, which provided clothes for 2,756 people.

- Casework Statistics  
Served 597 Unique Clients  
Provided \$25,921 in Financial Assistance  
Our casework team provided 29 families with Grocery Cards that totaled \$2,025. This was up 30% over the prior quarter, due to the holiday season.
- Furniture Program  
208 Households received Furniture  
16% increase over the prior quarter

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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