



COMMUNITY FOUNDATION  
OF TOMPKINS COUNTY

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The Community Foundation of Tompkins County announces the establishment of five Area Funds and one Special Fund to provide support for a wide range of community efforts. These funds will address broad-based needs ranging from children to the environment.

Donors may channel their support, regardless of the amount, into an Area Fund of their choosing. “Donors wishing to make more modest contributions can pool their dollars with other like-minded donors to make a greater impact on their particular community interest,” said Jeffrey True, Executive Director. The Community Foundation will use the resources from these funds to make grants for projects that are relevant to each of the following areas:

**Children and Youth Fund:** promotes the well being of Tompkins County youth, targeting projects to increase opportunities for lifelong success.

**Sustainable Communities Fund:** supports healthy & stable families and neighborhoods.

**Arts and Culture Fund:** provides for broad, cultural initiatives.

**Health and Human Services Fund:** supports projects and services that maintain or enhance the wellness of residents and workers.

**Environment Fund:** funds the long-term stewardship of all local environmental resources.

In addition to the Area Funds, a Special Fund may be established to address specific issues of community concern. A Special Fund allows multiple donors to cooperatively support projects that are consistent with missions and goals they define for themselves. The **Edge Fund** is the first Community Foundation Special Fund. Its mission is to enhance the quality of life in Tompkins County by supporting progressive social change, working toward a more diverse, participatory, environmentally sustainable, just and free society.

For more information on Area Funds, Special Funds, and other charitable giving options through the Community Foundation of Tompkins County, please contact: Jeffrey True, Executive Director at: (607) 272-9333, email: [Jeff@communityfoundationoftc.org](mailto:Jeff@communityfoundationoftc.org), or visit our website at: [www.communityfoundationoftc.org](http://www.communityfoundationoftc.org).

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*The mission of the Community Foundation of Tompkins County is to encourage and develop sustainable philanthropy for a broad range of community efforts.*