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Media Release for the Community Foundation for the Twin Tiers
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**Grant Awarded from Sullivan County Unrestricted Fund at the
Community Foundation for the Twin Tiers**

At the recommendation of the Sullivan County Advisory Board the Community Foundation for the Twin Tiers (CFTT) Board of Directors awarded a grant to the Sullivan County Food Bank. The CFTT through their Sullivan County Advisory Board solicited proposals from non-profits organizations in Sullivan County for meeting the immediate needs of county.

One of the winning proposals was from the Sullivan County Food Pantry who asked for funds to meet the growing need for food for needy families living in Sullivan County. The pantry provides food twice a month to these families. Out of the 996 participants served in November of 2008, 296 were children and 312 were elderly or disabled.

Because of budget cuts there has been a decrease in state funds to support food pantries while at the same time people are losing their jobs, pensions, health insurance, and fuel and food costs have risen. The goal of the food pantry is to have fewer families in Sullivan County who are hungry and more who have nutritious food available to them.

The Community Foundation for the Twin Tiers (CFTT) is a non-profit public foundation established in 2002 by a diverse group of local leaders and residents. The Foundation encourages community philanthropy to enhance the quality of life for those who reside in Bradford, Sullivan and Tioga Counties in Pennsylvania and Tioga County in New York State.

The CFTT helps caring citizens, corporations, other foundations, charitable organizations and government agencies who want to give back to their community establish endowment funds for the charitable purposes they care about. As the endowment funds grow in value, the CFTT uses the interest earned on these funds to make grants to organizations or projects that serve the identified community needs.

If you have an interest in learning more about the CFTT or in establishing a fund, you can contact the organization by any of these methods: telephone - 570-888-4759; fax - 570-888-2179; email - cfft@stny.rr.com ; or visit the website - www.twintierscf.org .

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