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**THE STRATTON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION** cares about the well-being of children and families in southern Vermont. **Our mission** is to address the challenges that stand between a child in need and the opportunity to be healthy, safe and prepared to learn. **Our vision** is to help children focus on their education and set them on a path to success and economic independence. **Our focus** is hunger, basic necessities, oral health, mental health and education. **Our role** in the community is to be nimble and respond to the needs that arise as a result of economic challenges and crises that impact the quality of life and future of children.

The Stratton Community Foundation's service area embraces the Shires and rural mountain towns within a radius of approximately 40 miles beyond the epicenter of Stratton Mountain.

Arlington  
Bondville  
Danby  
Dorset  
Jamaica  
Landgrove  
Londonderry  
Manchester  
Newfane  
Newbrook

Peru  
South Londonderry  
Stratton  
Sunderland  
Townshend  
Wardsboro  
Weston  
Windham  
Winhall

#### WITHIN THE FOUNDATION'S FOOTPRINT:



Danby **75% Poverty**  
Manchester **48% Poverty**  
Jamaica **64% Poverty**  
Townshend **46% Poverty**  
Wardsboro **43% Poverty**





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**ACTIONS SPEAK LOUDER THAN WORDS.**

Your actions speak volumes in terms of your care and support of our southern Vermont community. You, our donors, sponsors, and volunteers, so consistently demonstrated that support over the past year. You enabled us to raise a record amount of money, and more importantly, to provide over \$750,000 of support to the community. Your enthusiasm at our events was amazing — a record 120 participants at

our *Golf Outing*, a record 115 trees lining the village and in Manchester during *Snowlight in Vermont*, a record 600+ participants in the *24 hours of Stratton* and 180 racers coming out to *#Shred4Nate* to raise money for mental health efforts.

Your enthusiastic participation and generosity empower us to do what we do. They are at the root of why, in 2022-2023 we provided over 500 area children with basic necessities through our Head-to-Toe program. They enabled us to provide 17 four-year college scholarships to deserving high school graduates. They allowed us to run programs such as Feed the Community and to aid those in need when the price of gasoline and home heating oil became unbearable. These are all feats we hope to match or exceed in the year ahead.

Of course, as with any community-based organization, we must adapt to the community’s needs. Never was this more evident than this past July when the floods came to southern Vermont. While not detailed in this report of our last fiscal year, your generosity and our disaster relief efforts resulted in over \$450,000 being distributed to those in crisis in a matter of seven weeks.

We stand ready to meet the needs of our community as they evolve. That is why we work with area schools on innovative programs to enhance learning experiences. That is why we are enhancing our scholarship program to include trade schools. That is why we continue to seek innovative mental health programs that will benefit area children and their supporters.

With your help, we strive to continue to address the challenges that stand between a child in need and the opportunity to be healthy, safe and prepared to learn – to set a path to success and financial independence.

**Why do we do this? The answer is simple. Every child deserves a strong foundation!**

Thank you, Steve

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE** Craig Panarisi, VP of Stratton Mountain Operations, served on the Stratton Community Foundation Board of Directors 2016-2023. We thank Craig for his outstanding commitment and service to the children of southern Vermont. Craig has been instrumental in our partnership with Stratton, the success of our events, thoughtful consideration of community support, and pivotal to our growth and impact.



# For the Love of Vermont

BY CANDACE MARCHSTEINER (TAMMY'S SISTER)

*To love a place is not enough. We must find ways to heal it.*

– Robin Wall Kimmerer, *Braiding Sweetgrass*

Loving Vermont in every season is easy. Winter sports and shimmering snowfall, fresh maple syrup and wildlife babies in spring, summer's warm embrace and kelly green turf, and hiking in the rich, earthy palette of fall. For Stratton Foundation supporters, loving Vermont extends beyond its beauty and experiences to the people who call it home.

## BASIC NECESSITIES

For some folks in this cherished community, each season brings hardship. Winter can be especially burdensome for families. Through one of our most impactful programs, **Head-to-Toe**, your donations provided hundreds of children with necessary layers of relief — winter coats, snow pants, boots, hats, gloves, and the most coveted item, warm socks. One teacher described measuring a child's feet for winter boots. The boy's shoes with peeling soles were too small, so he could not wear socks and had blisters on his feet. *"When he received his new boots he literally cried and was incredibly happy," the teacher writes. "He wore these boots every single day (inside and out) until I partnered with Stratton to provide him with a new pair of shoes before their [spring] sneaker drive ... I feel so lucky to have Stratton. Thank you."*

Head-to-Toe survey results from schools and supervisory union representatives affirmed the program's significance. Helping families clothe growing children for



winter and providing new sneakers in spring ranked "extremely important/critical," along with the **Moving Mountains** grant that provided schools with discretionary funds for families with daily, urgent needs, like lice kits, laundromat cards, toiletries, undergarments and more. One survey respondent added, *"We don't have to keep track of who 'needs' or 'qualifies' for something so a child has to make a request or be approved to access the resources they need. They are all included and when they have a need they have access to a resource to meet that need. It reduces the anxiety levels of our children and facilitates a feeling of inclusion. We are deeply appreciative of this program."*

Inclusion, that sense of belonging, along with confidence and self-esteem, inspires happiness and mental well-being. Remember the feeling of putting on brand





new sneakers and seeing how fast you could run? Meeting a child's external physical needs positively influences their internal psychological needs as well.

## HEALTH

But the Stratton Foundation recognizes that more is needed to keep the negative psychological effects of persistent poverty — depression, anxiety disorders, and substance abuse — at bay. With your generosity and in partnership with the Nathan M. Carreira Endowment Fund, **nearly 60 teaching professionals representing 24 schools within our footprint were trained in mental health first aid.** They learned risk factors and warning signs of mental health and addiction concerns, strategies for how to help someone in both crisis and non-crisis situations, and where to turn for help.

**Two peer-to-peer mentorship programs selectively matched high school mentors with young mentees, building healthy friendships between role models and struggling, at-risk early adolescents.** Research demonstrates that having a positive mentor is one of the most important things in a child's life to help them build confidence, work through problems, learn

valuable skills for decision-making and make positive choices in life. **Mentees reported feeling confident, talented, funny, athletic, and capable because that is how their mentors see them. In turn, mentors invested in the future of our community.**

Inspirational author Dale Carnegie said the simplest way to make a good first impression is to smile. Dental hygiene concerns tend to fall to the wayside for low-income children. Trends of missed appointments, no interest in good oral hygiene and the lack of health knowledge and values lead to consequences of pain, bleeding, difficulty eating, infection, loss of oral function, disrupted sleep, poor appearance, low weight, low self-esteem, poor quality of life, unemployment, poor academic performance, bad behavior, poor school attendance, overall poor health — and poverty. To mitigate the snowball effects of bad dental hygiene, the Foundation collaborated with professionals, and more than 200 children at two elementary schools received in-school screening, fluoride varnish, sealant, silver diamine fluoride when needed and oral health education, and 2,000 dental kits were distributed across our entire footprint.



## HUNGER

Another integral program in our mission to help children and families overcome challenges, **Feed the Community** served thousands of children, seniors and families struggling with food insecurity across southern Vermont. We orchestrated the distribution of gas and grocery cards to reach those who are struggling to afford food for their families and purchase items not available at food pantries due to increased demand, shortage of supply, and the ending of temporary, pandemic, state-funded programs like Supplemental Assistance Program (SNAP) and 3SquaresVT.

Grocery and gas cards provided a hand up for families to purchase toiletries, cleaning supplies, baby products, meat and dairy, fresh produce and items not available in food cupboards. The assistance also helps families to redirect their income to buy gas for travel to medical appointments or to purchase prescriptions, and more. One school professional commented, *“Everything that you do is wonderful, but the grocery and gas gift cards were particularly helpful to one of our families that had to make several unexpected trips to the hospital in Bennington and had*

*literally no money. In a time of worry over health, those gift cards helped them to get back and forth and helped feed their family.”*

## EDUCATION

Books in the home are the single biggest indicator of a child’s academic achievement and lifelong success — surpassing income, parents’ education, family composition, and all other factors. Approximately 61% of our low-income families have no books in their home for children. Thanks to a special philanthropy effort towards early literacy, the **Foundation presented 45 children with a new book monthly from December 2022 to May 2023 through Building a Home Library program.** The program is designed to inspire a culture and habit of reading in the home, over the winter holiday breaks and in summer during the months of statistically greatest learning loss.

**Additionally, a grant awarded 1100 children across our footprint enrollment in the Dolly Parton Imagination Library program.** Children receive via mail a new, age-appropriate book monthly from birth (or enrollment) until the child’s fifth birthday. By





providing books at no cost to families, the program increases childhood literacy rates, fosters a love of books, and promotes a culture of reading among all families in rural Vermont.

The culmination of helping children escape poverty is the chance to envision and plan their futures. In conjunction with the Burr & Burton Academy Success Program that instills a growth mindset, builds relationships with families, and connects them with resources, Personal Life Plan Scholarships for high school students granted life-changing experiences through summer internships, intensive courses and college courses in their desired field. Graduating seniors who demonstrate financial need and academic potential can apply for college scholarships (some first generation or first in family). Thanks to the generosity of fourteen donor families and the Stratton Community Foundation, we proudly presented seventeen graduating seniors with a four-year college scholarship!

Lily Hickey, a scholarship recipient, attends Goucher College majoring in dance. *“Thank you so much for this scholarship ... it means so much to me that people believe in me and that we live in such a supportive*

*community and that people like me are able to get the help that we need,”* she said. Recipient Nathipong Piromtheeravanich, an environmental design student at Syracuse University vowed, *“I promise I will work very hard and eventually give back to others.”*

Our devotion to the holistic child means responding to evolving needs with logical and innovative support at any age, short- or long-term, and is reflected in fulfilling basic needs, addressing health issues, feeding the hungry, and providing education and experiences improbable without you. Your philanthropy, trust, and partnership are priceless. In the spirit of Indigenous Vermonters, the Abenaki tribe, we show gratitude for what has been given by giving something back. We carry the mountains with us in our hearts. Giving to those in need is our love letter to the community.

*The sun-kissed expanse of land and sky rewards those who trek successfully to the mountaintop. On the horizon we can seemingly see forever, feel possibility. Following behind are young adults from this mountain community. They stand in awe of the vision before them, the first in their family to reach this height. Given the occasional hand up in times of trouble or preparation for the journey into adulthood, they are no longer left facing the bottom of the mountain without hope. With their arrival on the summit, we hear the chains of generational poverty breaking, and our community begins to heal.*





# You Make the Difference

The Stratton Community Foundation *values*  
**Community, Compassion, Caring and Well-Being.**

We are proud to be the steward of donations, grant awards, and event proceeds to fulfill the mission to help those most in need. **Thank you to everyone who lends the trust of their philanthropy to the important work of the Stratton Community Foundation.**

**LIFETIME NUMBERS**

**26**  
years of service

**OVER**  
**3 million**  
in community giving

**IMPACTING**  
**thousands**  
of children

FY23 REVENUE  
**\$983,816**

Event Proceeds  
**\$382,000**

General Donations  
**\$276,500**

Grants Received  
**\$260,000**

New College Scholarships  
**\$52,500**

Corporate Matching Gifts  
**\$12,816**

DEDICATED ENDOWMENTS  
**\$519,400**

**Todd B. Richter**

First-generation college scholarships

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**Nathan M. Carreira**

Mental health support and programs

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**Ravenwood Endowment**

Experience scholarships for low-income children to ski at Stratton

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**Stratton Community Foundation  
College Scholarship Fund**

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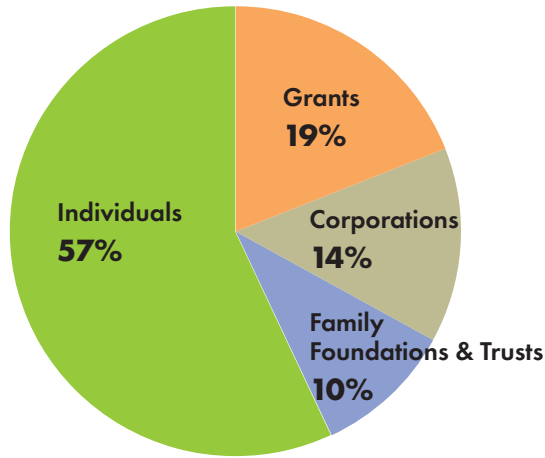
**Stratton Community Foundation  
Sustainability Fund**



Volunteer. Donate. Review.



## FUNDING SOURCES



# The Campaign for Kids \$100,740

The annual fund that bridges donors to the needs of the community.

Through your trust and our stewardship, and our deep and close relationship with the community, your donations empower us to help where it's needed most.

## Why We Do What We Do:



### HUNGER

In Vermont, 57,150 are facing hunger — and 12,040 of them are children. Hunger is particularly high within our rural mountain towns. Windham County ranks #2 in Vermont with the highest rate of food insecurity among children.



### BASIC NECESSITIES

Up to 90% of our schools witness children living at or below the poverty level and who go without daily essentials. Children in poverty are more likely to drop out of school, endure bullying, perform poorly and have health and wellness issues. Providing basic necessities gives warmth, confidence and a sense of hope that children need to grow, learn and thrive.



### ORAL HEALTH

The Stratton Community Foundation is a member of the Vermont Department of Health 802 Smiles Network to support access to care and the best possible oral health for all Vermont children. Children who have poor oral health often miss more school and receive lower grades than children who do not.



### MENTAL HEALTH

In 2023, Windham (21.7) and Rutland (19.8) counties experienced statistically higher rates of suicide-related emergency visits than the rest of the state (10.7). The Nathan M. Michael Carreira Fund was established in loving memory of Nathan, age 15, of Ludlow Massachusetts. Nathan took his own life at the age of 15 years old (Nathan, born March 12, 2003-March 26, 2018). Through the fund and general donations, we support mental health programs for children who are struggling, training for teachers and staff, peer-to-peer mentorships and programs and opportunities that uplift a child's well-being.



### EDUCATION

Poverty prevents access to education. Research shows that education is a key stepping stone to rising above poverty and pursuing a better life — and children deserve the opportunity to change the course of their future. Reading and early literacy is the single biggest indicator of a young child's future success. Up to 54% of Vermont household adults have a high school diploma or less education, and many children are the first in their family to graduate high school.

OUR ROLE IN THE COMMUNITY

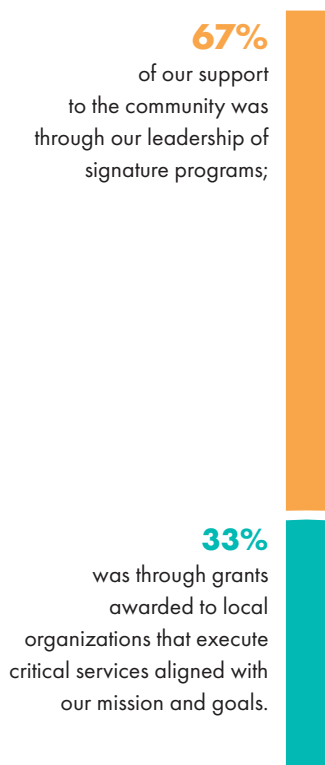
# The Impact You Make

In 2023, the Stratton Community Foundation **distributed a record \$750,000 into the community.**

80% Community Giving / 20% Operational Expenses

**OVER THE PAST 26 YEARS**, the Stratton Community Foundation has grown to become a fundamental cornerstone to schools, organizations, the community, and most importantly, the lives of children. More recently, we have realized a significant gap in opportunities available to children in need which require our active leadership. We have taken on this charge with great fervor, balancing our community outreach and goodwill initiatives, which produce immediate impact, with the investment of significant planning and administrative efforts, which lead to long-term outcomes.

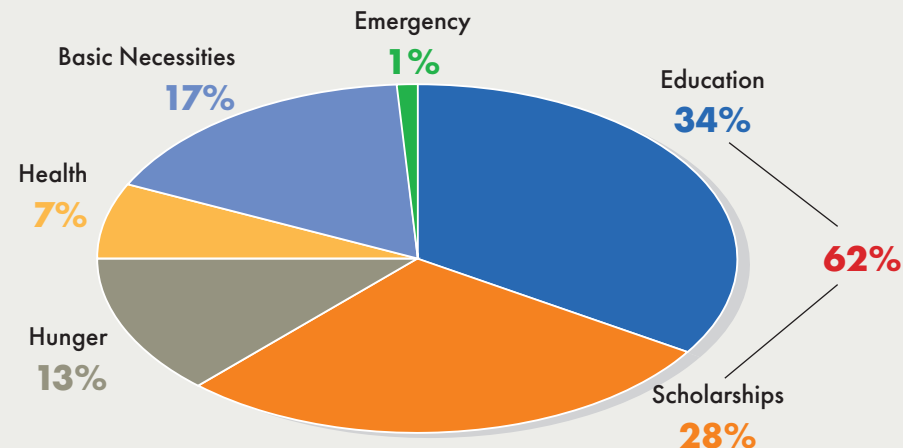
IN 2022-2023



## Our role in the community requires:

- Researching community needs
- Innovating program design
- Collaborating with partners and establishing buy-in
- Advocating for equal access
- Orchestrating key stakeholders
- Coordinating implementation
- Monitoring execution
- Inspiring enhancements and evolution
- Providing financial support
- Measuring impact
- Securing sustainability
- Expanding the scope of proven success

DISTRIBUTION ACROSS EACH PILLAR OF SUPPORT





# EDUCATION

THE STRATTON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION supports innovative education programs that set youth on a path for success – from early literacy to helping teens develop a future vision.

## OUR PROGRAMS & PARTNERSHIP

### 2- & 4-Year College Scholarships

Each year, the Stratton Community Foundation makes an ambitious effort to inspire donor families to make a scholarship pledge, setting a goal to uplift future generations in pursuit of success and economic independence. Thanks to the generosity of 14 donor families and our commitment to the program, we are proud to present 17 graduating seniors with a four-year college scholarship in 2023, valued at over \$220,000. Since 2022, 32 students are receiving scholarships.

### Trade & Career Scholarships

Launched in 2023, graduating seniors who demonstrate a commitment to a trade career choice and need schooling and or training in order to be able to enter their chosen field can apply for a one-time scholarship opportunity through our partnership and grant award from the **Charles S. & Millicent P. Brown Family Foundation**. Up to 36% of the graduating Success seniors at Burr & Burton Academy enter the workforce directly out of high school.



**Personal Life Plan Scholarships (PLPs)** are a fundamental cornerstone to the teachings of the Success Program at Burr & Burton Academy and instrumental to the Foundation’s mission. Each year, up to 40 students can apply for funds to pay for scholarship experiences – from a summer internship to college courses. Without this type of future-vision opportunity, the alternative would be to work with no hope of escaping or advancing in life, whereas teens seeking a work-based internship can learn in their desired field. Since 2017, over \$125,000 scholarships have supported 150 life-changing experiences through our partnership and grant award from the **Charles S. & Millicent P. Brown Family Foundation**.

## GRANTS AWARDED IN EDUCATION

**Burr & Burton Academy Success Program** serves 252 low-income students ages 13-18 years olds. The program is dedicated to building relationships with students and families, fostering the development of a growth mindset, connecting families with much-needed resources and creating a sense of supportive community around each and every student. The Stratton Community Foundation has supported Success since 2012, impacting more than 600 students with over \$300,000 in addition to supporting program enhancements.



# OUR ROLE IN THE COMMUNITY

## GRANTS AWARDED IN EDUCATION

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**Taconic & Green Supervisory Union Success Camp** serves 60+ low-income rising 7th and 8th grade students from five sending schools in the union. Through our partnership and grant award from the **William J. & Dorothy K. O'Neill Foundation**, students become part of a social-emotional support system that aims to help them excel in school and in life.

**The Academic Interventionist** at Burr & Burton Academy serves 200 students whose middle school years were deeply disrupted by the pandemic and who are entering high school with vastly increased challenges in academics, social/developmental areas and executive function. Through our partnership and matching grant award from the **Charles S. & Millicent P. Brown Foundation**, the interventionist is an invaluable resource to students and teachers.

Collaborative: Summer Camp and Extended Day Program (30 children)

Jamaica Village School: Outdoor Wilderness Learning & Survival (20 children)

Leland & Gray Middle-High School: Project-Based Learning (270 students)

Leland & Gray Middle-High School: Journey Away (30 children)

Mountain School of Winhall: Outdoor Education and Afterschool Programming (45 children)

Shires Kids: Dolly Parton's Imagination Library (1,100 children)

South Londonderry Free Library: Fostering Creativity Through Art (180 children)

Southwestern Vermont Arts Center: Art Camp & Afterschool Scholarships (40 children)

Townshend Elementary School: Experiential Learning to Vermont EMS Academy & Dinoman (80 children)

Wardsboro Elementary School: Building a Home Library (45 children)

## HUNGER

The Stratton Community Foundation supports food programs that address food insecurity so that every child has access to nutritious meals, impacting their overall health, academic achievement and future prosperity.

### OUR PROGRAMS & PARTNERSHIP

To **Feed-the-Community**, the Stratton Community Foundation works closely with more than thirty local organizations, including schools, food pantries, churches, pediatricians, hospitals and counseling services, who are on the frontlines to reach families struggling with food insecurity. The Stratton Community Foundation orchestrated the distribution of gas and grocery cards to purchase items not available at food pantries due to increased demand, shortage of supply and the ending of state-funded programs. Since 2022, we have purchased and distributed gas and grocery cards valued at over \$145,000.



### GRANTS AWARDED IN HUNGER

Blessings in a Backpack: Food After School & Weekend Food (111 children)

Currier Memorial School: Food During Summer School (30 children)

Federated Church of East Arlington: Kids Summer Lunch (70 children)

Leland & Gray Middle-High School: After School Meals (80 children)

Long Trail School: Lunch for All (13-20 students)

Manchester Community Food Cupboard: Everyone Eats 2.0 (290 children / 430 families)

Manchester Community Food Cupboard: School Snack Program (300 children)

Winhall-Stratton Food Shelf: Stocking the Food Shelf (15 children / 40 families)

West River Modified Union School District -  
Townshend Elementary: Farm to School (80 students)

## BASIC NECESSITIES

The Stratton Community Foundation supports basic daily necessities so that every child has what they need as they grow and has the opportunity to develop a sense of pride, dignity, self-confidence, belonging and a mindset beyond daily survival.

### OUR PROGRAMS & PARTNERSHIP

**Head-to-Toe** is a signature Foundation program that provides basic necessities to over 600 low-income children, from Pre-K to high school, every year. Through a matching \$62,500 grant from the **Alterra Mountain Company Community Foundation**, we are able to give each child a school backpack full of required supplies, winter coat, winter boots, snow outerwear (pants, mittens, hats), warm winter socks, dental kits and a new pair of sneakers in the spring. The condition of what a child has or has not are the most visible signs of poverty, impacting a child's life and overall well-being. Providing essentials helps children to have what they need to grow and learn, supports families in



times of extreme economic crisis and eases the burden of teachers to protect the safety and well-being of their most vulnerable children. The program uplifts a child's dignity, confidence, self-esteem and ability to learn and grow. The program relieves the cruelty of bullying, improves their attendance at school, impacts their mental health, and allows them to enjoy the joys of their childhood. Our partners in the program include Equipe Sport, Shoes-that-Fit, Operation Warm, Bombas Socks, Smartwool, Kamik Boots and Stratton Mountain Retail.

**Moving Mountains** are a featured component of the Head-to-Toe program as grants that are awarded directly to schools to use as cash-on-hand to care for the daily urgent needs of their children and families in crisis. Schools are challenged with caring for the health, safety and well-being of their students, beyond education, and are often without resources to do so. Schools report that these funds help them to care for their children on a daily basis in ways that would not otherwise





## OUR ROLE IN THE COMMUNITY

be possible. Funds have been used to purchase lice kits, laundromat cards for families living in campers or hotels, grocery and gas cards to get children to doctor appointments, heat assistance, undergarments, toiletries and more.

**Pass It On** is a winter clothing collection and distribution for local families in need. Lightly worn items that others can wear with dignity are collected throughout the year and staged at different schools in time for the cold winter months. Local schools also stock their in-school clothing closets for kids to come and take what they need.

### GRANTS AWARDED IN BASIC NECESSITIES

Arlington Child Care: Expansion of Childcare (60 children)

Northshire Day School: Family Tree Program (90 children)

Townshend Elementary School: Purchase of a Washer & Dryer (91 children)

## HEALTH

**The Stratton Community Foundation supports physical and mental health programs crucial to a child's development and ability to thrive.**

### OUR PROGRAMS & PARTNERSHIP

**The Taconic & Green Success Peer-to-Peer Mentorship** program serves 24 children ages 7-18 through the **Nathan M. Carreira Endowment Fund**. The Success Mentorship Program is an extremely valuable part of the overall Success Program, helping to extend the reach of the Success ethos into the younger grades and to provide a deeply meaningful experience for mentors who are able to stand as role models and pay it forward into their community. Success



Mentors are matched with a Success Mentee for a two-year commitment as the mentors graduate and the mentees transition up to high school. Year after year, mentors have demonstrated how much they care and are invested in their individual mentee and community. This program was inspired by the **Charles S. & Millicent P. Brown Foundation** in 2018 to enhance the Success Program and bridge the relationships between schools, programs and students. The program is fundamentally vital to the mental health and well-being of youth in our community.

### In-School Dental Hygiene

is available to 200 children, PreK-6th grade, who attend Mettawee Community School and Currier Memorial School. Through a grant from the Agnes M. Lindsay Trust, our partnerships with the VT 802 Smiles network and the SVAHEC Dental Coalition,



hygienist Amy Meier visits children at each school to provide a screening, fluoride varnish, sealant and silver diamine fluoride when needed as the leading preventative practice under the direction of the Vermont State Department of Health. Consequences of bad dental hygiene include pain, bleeding, difficulty eating, infection, loss of oral function, disrupted sleep, poor appearance, low weight, poor performance in school, low self-esteem, poor quality of life,



Thanks to a grant from The Stratton Foundation, Bigs from Burr Burton Academy are paired with Littles at Manchester Elementary Middle School. Meet one of the first matches made: Destiny and Cassidy. Throughout the school year they can be seen taking walks or hanging out at the MEMS library making friendship bracelets and talking. They both feel really lucky that they were matched as now they can't even imagine not knowing each other!



unemployment, poor academic performance, bad behavior, poor school attendance, overall poor health – and poverty. In addition, 2,000 dental kits were distributed across the entire footprint of the Stratton Community Foundation.

### GRANTS AWARDED IN HEALTH

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Vermont: Peer-to-Peer Mentorship (66 children ages 7-18) through the **Nathan M. Carreira Endowment Fund**.

United Counseling Services and Vermont Department of Education: Mental Health First-Aid Training through the **Nathan M. Carreira Endowment Fund** (58 teachers)

Newbrook School: Boosting Confidence through Rock Climbing (100 children)

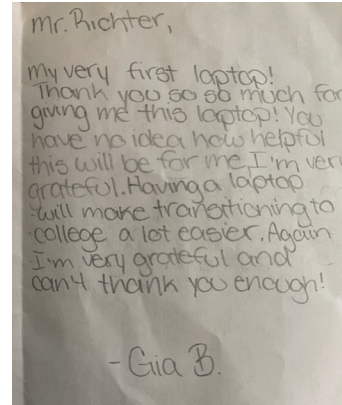
Wardsboro & Jamaica Village School: Be Kind to Your Mind with Miss Vermont (75 children)

## EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE & OTHER GIFTS

**The Stratton Community extends financial assistance to individuals who experience hardship due to an emergency or crisis that prohibits them from caring for the needs of their family and children.**

Support to a young family who lost their father out west and needed help to move their children back to Vermont in partnership with Neighborhood Connections.

Support to a single mother in need of good, reliable transportation to care for her young children, working closely with the home-school liaison of the WCSU.



Used and refurbished laptop was gifted to a graduating high school senior taking online courses, thanks to the generosity of Mr. Todd Richter.

### Through the Nathan M. Carreira Endowment:

Support for a local child in crisis with 1-to-1 mental health services for domestic abuse.

Support of two individual low-income children with scholarships to attend life-changing opportunities to Camp Takodah and Philmont Scout Ranch.

EVENTS

# Bringing Community Together



SUPPORTING THE MISSION

**The 11th Annual 24-Hours of Stratton**  
March 18-19, 2023

A record-breaking event, with **600+ participants, raising \$364,545**

The event is a one-of-a-kind opportunity to ski Stratton at night under lighted trails and starry skies into sunrise. Hundreds from across New England join together for a magical weekend of doing what they love most, for an epic amount of time, in camaraderie and charity.

Sign up for \$0 and agree to a fundraising minimum for the opportunity to ride through the weekend.

[Stratton.com/24](http://Stratton.com/24)



*Kings & Queens of the Mountain*

**Team Skiderhoffer**  
\$33,564

*“Cobb Trophy Top Fundraising Team”*

**Team Ravenwood**  
\$61,775

*Top #2 and #3 Fundraising Teams*

**Magic Mountain Freedoggers**  
\$27,207

**Team Collins**  
\$10,100

*1st place most points on the Mountain*

**Bromley Mighty Moose**  
\$9,305

**Top 10 Fundraisers**

- Roy Niederhoffer
- Arlene Amery
- Evan Grossman
- Brian Amery
- Jessica Drury
- David Collins
- Christopher Amery
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- Tom Tria
- Steve Kerstein

**Most # of Donors**

Evan Grossman



## 24-Hour Teams

2nd Joslin Down Bachelor Group  
 Adjust Your Altitude  
 Bart Center Team  
 Bromley Mighty Moose  
 Casella  
 Charlie's Angels  
 Cougars  
 Dippy's Do Da's  
 East Coast Kids  
 EllaJakeDylanCharlieAbby4821  
 Fondue Rescue  
 Fundraising Team Name  
 Garden State Gondoliers  
 Good Vibes Only!  
 Green Guys Ski Club  
 Green Mountain Boys  
 Hot Pockets  
 Hunter Bishop  
 It's a Philly Thing  
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# 5<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL #SHRED4NATE

## SUPPORTING MENTAL HEALTH

The event is an unsanctioned dual panel slalom race to raise funds for mental health programs and commemorate the life of Nathan M. Carreira. Skiing was Nathan's true passion and he quickly developed a love for racing, spending every weekend at Stratton Mountain.

Racer registration, sponsorships, and donations empower youth voice and support mental health first aid training, peer to peer mentorships, community outreach, youth counseling, and individual opportunities for at-risk youth.

We are honored to receive donations in memory of Nathan and in gratitude to the Carreira family.

**The race welcomed 170 racers and grossed \$63,554**

### TOP WOMEN

- Overall - Sophie Davis
- Master's Kerry Finch
- U21 - Kathryn Gargiulo
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- Overall - Asher Baron
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# Snowlight in Vermont

## SUPPORTING EDUCATION

More than 100 lighted evergreen trees line the Stratton Village and town of Manchester to shine a light on the growth and prosperity of Vermont youth.

Donors can sponsor a tree and dedicate a plaque to honor loved ones, celebrate cherished memories, and share wishes of the season.

**The event raised \$51,367 to support programs dedicated to education and to inspire the pledge of college scholarships.**







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## Golf Outing



### SUPPORTING BASIC NECESSITIES



A popular Labor Day weekend at the beautiful Stratton Mountain Golf Course to support Head-to-Toe, providing basic necessities to over 500 Vermont children and helping to meet the matching grant from the Alterra Mountain Company Community Foundation to support the families living in the shadows of Stratton Mountain.

**120 golfers and sponsors raised \$23,262**

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