



# ARC

## Advocacy \* Resources \* Community

Serving Citizens with Developmental Disabilities and their Families



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December 2, 2022

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PO Box 231  
Danby, VT 05739

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Dear Manager/ Clerk,

**Kate Tibbs**  
Secretary

ARC Rutland Area (Advocacy, Resources and Community) Staff and Board of Directors appeal to the town of Danby to be placed on your March 2023 ballot for funding.

**BOARD MEMBERS:**

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ARC Rutland Area's primary mission is to support community inclusion and social opportunities for local citizens with developmental and intellectual disabilities. This mission is supported by facilitating two internal local clubs, Self-Advocates Becoming Empowered (SABE-R) and Aktion Club with the Kiwanis, holding dances and other social activities, The Great Outdoor Initiative, Representative Payee Services for those who can not manage their own funds, The Wing Center sensory room, and attending state and local meetings to keep informed of issues that affect the population we serve. With a generous grant from Marble Valley Regional Transportation, ARC is able to provide transportation for our members to attend events, educational and recreational activities.

**Herman Goldberg**

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**HONORARY MEMBER**

**Terry Mangieri**

ARC employs one full-time and one part-time staff member. The office and programming are supported by volunteers and guided by a volunteer Board of Directors. We do not receive State or Federal funding to accomplish our programming. We rely on the support of Rutland County, along with grants and fundraisers to support our services.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

**Diane Drake**

Our mission statement continues as strongly now as it has for over 60 Years. Typically, 1,000 individuals in Rutland County take advantage of our services annually.

**REPRESENTATIVE PAYEE**

**Kris Call**

**ARC Rutland Area is submitting its annual request of \$200 for 2023.** Thank you for your continuing support. If you or anyone has questions or comments, please call us at 802-775-1370.

**Lisa S. Lynch,**  
Consultant

Respectfully Submitted,

President, ARC Rutland Area Board of Directors



November 28, 2022

To the Citizens of the Town of Danby,

On behalf of BROC Community Action and the thousands of people with low-income or living in poverty that we serve throughout Rutland and Bennington Counties, we want to express our thanks and gratitude for supporting us over the years on Town Meeting Day. BROC Community Action assists families and individuals in crisis and help provide a sustainable path forward.

Over the past year, BROC Community Action assisted **98** residents in the Town of Danby. Whether they need food at the BROC Community Food Shelf, senior commodities, housing counseling, homelessness assistance, weatherization, heating and utility assistance, forms assistance for benefits such as 3SqVT, budget and credit counseling and resources and referrals; we are here.

People come to us cold, hungry, homeless, jobless or facing major health conditions every day. Your town appropriation helps ease the struggle for nearly 10,000 people who seek assistance from us each year as we meet the basic needs of their families and provide a path forward whenever possible.

***Respectfully, our appropriation request for the upcoming fiscal year remains \$547.00.***

We truly value our collaboration with Danby as we assist those most in need.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tom", written over a horizontal line.

Thomas L. Donahue, CEO  
[tdonahue@broc.org](mailto:tdonahue@broc.org)

## Janice Arnold

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**From:** Victoria Loomis <[vloomis@broc.org](mailto:vloomis@broc.org)>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 28, 2022 3:36 PM  
**To:** Janice Arnold  
**Subject:** Annual Report & Appropriations Request  
**Attachments:** Town of Danby - Nov 2022.docx

Hi Janice-

Please find attached our annual report and appropriations request. If you need anything additional, please let me know. Have a safe and happy holiday season!

Carpe Diem,  
Vicki

<p>Vicki Loomis, NCRT Development &amp; Marketing</p>  <p>Donate Now</p>	<p><b>OFFICE:</b> <b>EMAIL:</b> <b>WEB:</b> <b>ADDRESS:</b></p>	<p>802.665.1721 <a href="mailto:VLoomis@broc.org">VLoomis@broc.org</a> <a href="http://broc.org">broc.org</a> 45 Union Street Rutland, VT 05701 332 Orchard Road Bennington, VT 05201</p> 
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Town of Danby  
c/o Janice Arnold  
130 Brook Road Danby, VT 05739

December 20, 2022

Dear Janice,

Thank you for allowing us time earlier in the fall to meet with the Select Board. As a result of that meeting, I am respectfully forwarding this request for a FY2024 appropriation as part of the upcoming FY2024 budget process. Please accept this request for \$1,300 (approximately \$1/per person) from the town of Danby for the Regional Marketing Initiative. We spoke with the Select Board, and I believe the process is to place the request on the ballot at Town Meeting. In the past, I believe that you have helped me with the wording, which may have looked like this:

“Will the Town support a request from the Chamber & Economic Development of the Rutland Region in the amount of \$1,300 for the purpose of helping to fund the Regional Marketing Initiative?”

If this is not correct, please let me know.

The Regional Marketing Initiative continues to be a Rutland County-wide collaboration including municipalities, the region’s business community, and the Chamber & Economic Development of the Rutland Region.

The Regional Marketing Initiative is entering year-six of a ten-year plan and has an anticipated budget for 2023 of \$134,000. A revenue and expenditure history for the project is included with this request, as is the proposed budget for 2023.

The Town of Danby’s previous and future participation has been and will be essential to the success of this important project. A review of our work is also provided for you to include in the Town’s Annual Report if you so choose.

Thank you again for your support. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Lyle P. Jepson  
Executive Director  
enclosures

- RMI budget for 2023
- CEDRR Town Report 2022

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## 2022 CHILD FIRST ADVOCACY CENTER REPORT

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Dear Citizens of Danby,

The Child First Advocacy Center (CFAC) serves as a central agency through which reports of suspected child abuse can be channeled for investigation and victim recovery. CFAC was established in 1995 and became a fully Accredited Member of the *National Children's Alliance (NCA)* in 2004. We share with NCA the passion to minimize the traumatic effect of child abuse upon the children and families of our community. CFAC is a non-profit organization serving Rutland County to assist families in the discovery, intervention, treatment and prevention of child sexual abuse, severe physical abuse and children affected by violence. We provide a safe comfortable environment for the forensic quality and child appropriate interviews, training for professionals and collateral referral services for victims and their non-offending family members. Our agency serves families of all socio-economic levels and is committed to providing quality services regardless of the ability to pay.

On behalf of the Board of Directors and the Child First Advocacy Center Multidisciplinary Team, we want to thank you for your continued support and dedication.

In calendar year 2022, The Child First Advocacy Center served 160 clients and 155 of their family members. **We were able to provide direct wrap around services and support to five (5) Danby families as they began their recovery from the effects of trauma.** In addition, we continue to provide community awareness and education at no cost, in an effort to provide adults with the ability to recognize, react and respond appropriately to child sexual abuse and increase each school district's ability to complete the legislatively mandated ACT 1 initiative also known as Child Sexual Abuse Awareness training for Educators, Community Members and Student's grades K-12.

The Child First Advocacy Center is requesting funds in the amount of \$800 to continue our efforts in supporting families in your community. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or need further information.

Sincerely,  
Wendy Loomis, Executive Director  
802-747-0200 or [wendy.loomis@partner.vermont.gov](mailto:wendy.loomis@partner.vermont.gov)



“THE GREATEST THREAT TO OUR PLANET IS THE BELIEF THAT SOMEONE ELSE WILL SAVE IT”

Robert Swan, Explorer

Town of Danby  
Janice Arnold  
130 Brook Road  
Danby, VT 05739

**Thank You Danby**  
for helping keep Vermont a  
beautiful place to live, work & play!  
Your contribution makes a difference  
#togetherwecan #greenupVT

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*Green Up's mission is to promote the stewardship of our state's natural landscape and waterways and the livability of our communities by involving people in Green Up Day and raising public awareness about the benefits of a litter-free environment.*

Green Up Vermont is a 501(c)(3) private nonprofit corporation.

### Appropriation Request Letter

Dear Residents of Danby

**Thank you** for your past appropriation to Green Up Vermont in support of Green Up Day. We had a great turnout with nearly 20,000 volunteers picking up 500 TONS of trash and 14,315 tires from our roads and waterways. This amazing community service and sense of pride keeps our towns not only looking good, but also safe and healthy places to live.

Your help is crucial in sustaining this mission of clean environments and teaching our youth to care about their communities. Your annual contribution is so appreciated and makes a real impact.

**As Green Up rolls into our 53rd year, we are again requesting your support for the usual \$100.00 appropriation.**

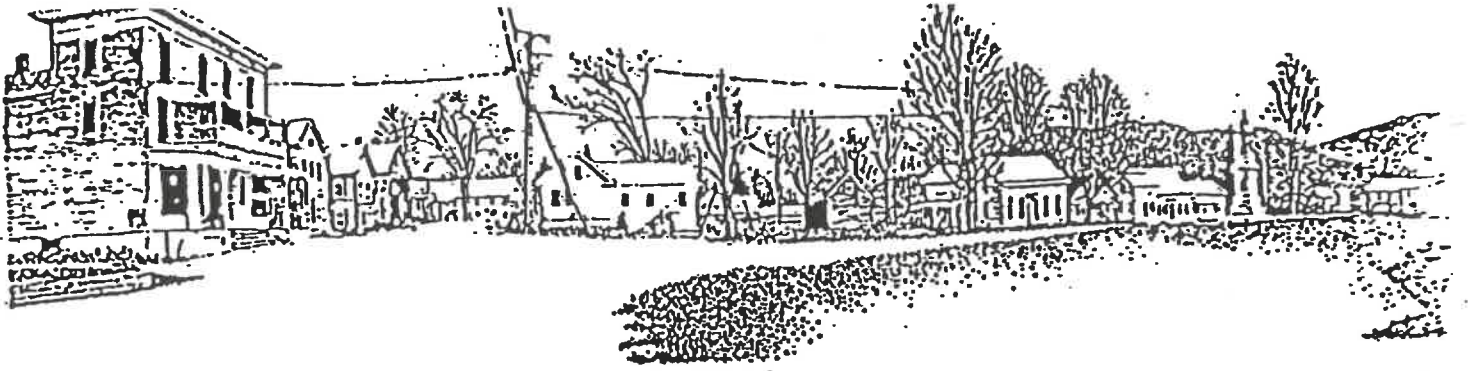
The amount requested is based on town population and funds go directly back into your town in the way of supplies, educational tools for your schools, and local promotion for Green Up Day.

Population	\$ Request
• 0- 1,000	\$50
• 1001 - 2000	\$100
• 2001 - 3000	\$150
• 3001 - 4,000	\$200
• 4,001 up	\$300

This past Green Up Day we saw the resurgence of gatherings which really gave an amazing boost to communities. Let's keep building strong communities by working together for our beautiful way of life.

Mark your calendar for **Green Up Day 2023, May 6th** and help us celebrate 53 years of keeping Vermont green! Please contact me anytime with any questions or comments. I am honored to serve your community and look forward to working with you again. Thank you so very much!

Kate Alberghini, Executive Director  
802-522-7245 • [greenup@greenupvermont.org](mailto:greenup@greenupvermont.org)



**Mt. Tabor - Danby Historical Society**  
P. O. BOX 238  
Danby, Vermont 05739-0238

December 27, 2022

Town of Danby  
C/O Janice Arnold, Clerk

Dear Janice,

The Mt. Tabor - Danby Historical Society is, once again, asking to be placed on the Town Meeting 2023 ballot for an appropriation in the amount of **\$1,200**.

Our Annual Report for the year 2022 will follow soon for inclusion in your Town Report for the year.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Bradley J. Bender  
President



December 8, 2022

Town of Danby, Municipal Office  
Attn: Town Clerk- Janice Arnold  
Town Treasurer- Jennifer Millard  
PO Box 231  
Danby, VT 05739

Dear Select Board Members,

Thank you for the opportunity to again allow NeighborWorks of Western Vermont to submit an appropriation request to the Town of Danby. My name is Heather Starzynski, and I began serving as the Executive Director at NWWVT in May 2021.

As in previous years, we respectfully request a town appropriation of \$500. Attached please find our unaudited financial statement from January - November 2022. Our accounts are not yet closed through December. Should you need further information, we can provide our audited 2021 financial statements.

While we will submit additional information for the Town Report, for your information at this time, generally these funds are utilized to provide affordable housing services, staffing and programming in the areas of financial and homebuyer counseling, down payment assistance lending, home repair and energy efficiency work.

Thank you again for your support of NeighborWorks of Western Vermont. We sincerely appreciate this funding to help us provide services for residents of Danby.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Heather M. Starzynski".

Heather M. Starzynski  
Executive Director  
802.797.8602





NewStory  
CENTER

TURNING THE PAGE ON VIOLENCE

## NewStory Center Annual Report 2022

For 43 years NewStory Center has been the single agency in Rutland County supporting survivors of domestic and sexual violence by working to end the cycle of violence through support, education, prevention, and collaboration.

During FY22, NewStory Center served 728 survivors and their children through direct services such as emergency shelter, medical advocacy, legal advocacy, case management, clinical services, support groups, and the 24/7 crisis hotline. Additionally, we provide training and technical assistance to our community partners, including local law enforcement, to ensure a more effective community response to domestic and sexual violence.

The Board and Staff of NewStory Center thank the voters of Danby for their support of our agency. Your generosity allows us to, not only provide survivors with necessities and ongoing advocacy, but also affords us the ability to grow and expand our services to better serve your community.

### REQUEST

**NewStory Center** is requesting the sum of \$125, to be voted on at the town meeting in March 2023, to support victims in Rutland County. We are very thankful for the help that the people of Danby have given us in the past, and would be very grateful for your continued support of our mission. We provided services for at least **8 residents of Danby** this past year. As our services are confidential, in some cases we might not be informed as to where our clients live.

**NewStory Center, Inc.**

P.O. Box 313, Rutland, VT 05702 • [www.nscvt.org](http://www.nscvt.org)

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