



**NEWS FROM THE OFFICE OF  
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**COUNTY EXECUTIVE MIKE HEIN DELIVERS GRANT AWARDS TO LOCAL  
CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS**

**New York Business Development Corporation recognizes County Executive's support of  
small business with a \$2,500 grant for local charitable organizations**

Kingston, NY -- Ulster County Executive Mike Hein was the sole honoree of the New York Business Development Corporation's (NYBDC) 2010 Chairman's Leadership Award for outstanding advocacy on behalf of small business. As part of the award, the NYBDC recently presented \$2,500 for County Executive Hein to allocate to local charitable organizations.

According to County Executive Mike Hein, "The recipients of these awards have shown outstanding concern and dedication to the residents of Ulster County and it is an honor to be given the opportunity to help them continue their efforts."

"Our great thanks to the County Executive for recognizing the importance of libraries in our community and sharing this award with the Ulster County Library Association," said James Cosgrove, President of the Library Association's Board of Directors.

"The County Executive has repeatedly shown compassion for Ulster County residents suffering from food insecurity," said Diane Reeder, Executive Director of the Queens Galley. "We are grateful that he chose to recognize the Queens Galley in Kingston and the Ellenville Food Pantry in Ellenville."

"As always, Family of Woodstock appreciates the generosity of the County Executive," said Michael Berg, Director of Family of Woodstock. "His decision to support the food pantry in Ellenville is wonderful. Food is a critical issue right now, even with working class families and especially in Ellenville. So thank you again to the County Executive."

"Times have been very hard at our no-kill shelter. This support from the County Executive will go a long way to benefit homeless and neglected animals in our County," said Nora Nelson, President of the Ulster County SPCA.

County Executive Hein will present checks of \$500 each to the Family of Woodstock: Ellenville Food Pantry, the Queens Galley, the Family of Woodstock Domestic Violence Shelter Program, the Ulster County Library Association, and the Ulster County SPCA in recognition of their efforts to assist the needy populations of Ulster County.

**Family of Woodstock: Ellenville Food Pantry**

Family of Woodstock Inc. is a network of individuals, paid and volunteer, whose mission is to provide confidential and fully accessible crisis intervention, information, prevention, and support

services to address the needs of individuals and families. The Ellenville Food Pantry provides non-perishable food items to individuals in need and is one of a number of similar pantries operated by Family of Woodstock.

### **Queen's Galley**

The Queens Galley is a charitable organization that provides awareness, education, relief and prevention of food insecurity in Hudson Valley. The Queens Galley supports, creates and implements programs dedicated to the affordable nutritional education of children, families and seniors. The Queens Galley soup kitchen is open every day of the year, serving breakfast, lunch and dinner to anyone seeking a meal.

### **Family of Woodstock Domestic Violence Shelter Program**

Family of Woodstock provides emergency shelter, food, clothing and counseling for all victims of family violence. The Shelter Program is committed to recognizing and responding to our community's need for comprehensive, multicultural domestic violence services. The goal of the Shelter Program is to stop the cycle of violence by providing crisis intervention, emergency shelter, advocacy, counseling, and prevention education.

### **Ulster County Library Association**

The UCLA provides the following services to the people of Ulster County: coordinating the dissemination of information to the public on library services and activities; providing a forum to encourage free communications among Member Libraries; defining and executing special projects for the benefit of Member Libraries, so as to stimulate the use of the libraries' resources and services; and taking other actions in advancement of the foregoing purposes.

### **Ulster County Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA)**

The UCSPCA is a private, nonprofit organization whose mission is to prevent cruelty to animals by providing temporary shelter and finding adoptive homes for homeless, abused and neglected animals; conducting cruelty investigations; eliminating the crisis of homeless animals by providing low-cost spay/neuter services for cats and by spaying or neutering all animals offered for adoption; providing humane education; and by working to improve laws to end animal cruelty.

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