NCM 18TH ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC

On Monday, September 21, golfers, sponsors, volunteers, and friends of NCM came together at Cronin's Golf Resort for a beautiful day of golf, fun, and giving back to our community.

Thanks to the tremendous generosity of our supporters, this year's tournament raised $55,775 in net proceeds! From our generous sponsors and golfers to the donated bottles and enthusiastic volunteers who made our Bottle Bonanza such a success, we are grateful to everyone who played a part in making this our most successful Golf Classic yet.

This year's tournament marked a new fundraising record for NCM, raising over 48% more than last year's event! We were thrilled to welcome 132 golfers to the course, all coming together to support our mission of providing a Hand of Hope to neighbors in need.

The impact of the tournament reaches far beyond the golf course. Funds raised directly support NCM's programs and services throughout Northern Warren and Southern Essex Counties, helping provide food, clothing, emergency financial assistance, casework advocacy, and other critical support to our neighbors facing difficult situations.

Thank you to everyone who helped make the 18th Annual Golf Classic such a memorable day. Your generosity allows NCM to continue providing a Hand of Hope to our neighbors when they need it most.

Thank you to our Major Sponsors:

Tournament Sponsor - Eileen & Nick Baughan
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We are grateful to all of our generous sponsors who helped make this event possible! To view our complete list of sponsors, please visit: https://www.northcountryministry.org/ncm-annual-golf-classic






Become a Sustaining Donor Today!

Becoming a Sustaining Donor is one of the easiest ways to make a lasting difference in the lives of our neighbors. By making a monthly or quarterly gift, you provide NCM with reliable support that helps sustain our programs throughout the year. Your ongoing generosity allows us to respond to the changing needs of our communities and continue offering a Hand of Hope to those facing difficult situations.

Other ways you can help...

- Donate online, by mail, or over the phone
- Give a gift of stocks
- Become an **NCM Legacy Angel** by including NCM in your estate plans or naming NCM as a beneficiary of your life insurance or retirement account.
- Donate through your donor advised fund
- Sponsor one of our events
- Organize a drive for our food pantry for food, cleaning supplies, and hygiene products

Your Legacy Starts Here

For more information, contact Kayla at 518-623-2829 ext 303 or kayla@ncmfriends.com

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FALL 2026 NEWSLETTER

HELP MAKE CHRISTMAS WISHES COME TRUE!

The magic of Christmas is found in the joy of giving! This holiday season, NCM's Giving Tree Program hopes to bring Christmas cheer to 275 local children, and we need your help to make their wishes come true!

Each year, families in Northern Warren County share their children's Christmas wish lists with NCM. Through the generosity of our donors, we help ensure these children experience the excitement and joy of Christmas morning, while easing the financial burden on families facing difficult times.

Your donation can make a difference! A gift of $150 sponsors a child under 12, $175 sponsors a child 12 or older, $500 supports an entire family, and $1,000 helps two families celebrate Christmas. Every contribution, no matter the amount, helps spread holiday joy throughout our community.

Our dedicated volunteers shop for gifts using monetary donations, ensuring each child receives something special from their wish list. Donors are also welcome to personally shop for a child or family.

Interested in sponsoring a child or family? Please contact Chris at Chris@ncmfriends.com or call 518-623-2829 ext. 305.

Help us make Christmas brighter! To make a monetary donation, visit https://bit.ly/ncmgivingtree26, scan the QR code provided, or simply indicate Giving Tree on the enclosed remittance envelope when mailing your donation.

Together, we can make this holiday season unforgettable for families in need. Thank you for extending a Hand of Hope this Christmas!





CASEWORK CORNER - CLIENT STORY

With Veterans Day approaching, we are reminded of the importance of honoring those who have served our country. Recently, NCM's casework team had the opportunity to provide a Hand of Hope to a local senior veteran facing difficult circumstances.

Two years ago, "Jim" underwent surgery followed by an extended rehabilitation stay. While he was away, heavy rainfall caused a creek on his property to overflow, flooding his basement and severely damaging his nearly new furnace. Living alone with no family nearby, Jim was unaware of the damage until he returned home.

With insurance covering only a portion of the damage, Jim faced the upcoming winter relying on space heaters while trying to save for repairs. Thankfully, a community partner learned of his situation and connected him with NCM.

Through a recent grant from National Grid, NCM was able to cover the cost of repairing Jim's furnace and thermostat, ensuring he would have a warm home this winter.

But our assistance did not stop there. Our caseworkers also connected Jim with veteran transportation services, legal assistance for estate planning, NCM's Mobile Mart Food Pantry, and a local veterans group where he could enjoy coffee and companionship.

Initially embarrassed to ask for help, Jim shared that he felt he "couldn't do it all on my own anymore." Today, Jim knows he doesn't have to. His story reminds us that providing a Hand of Hope is about more than meeting an immediate need. It is about helping our neighbors feel heard, valued, and cared for.

Written by: Rebecca Bammert

SUMMER MONTHS STATISTICS JULY - SEPT

Brant Lake Food Pantry
Served 561 households, 1,359 people
an increase of 20% from Q3 of 2025

Warrensburg Food Pantry
Served 545 households, 1,724 people
an increase of 13% from Q3 of 2025

Mobile Mart Food Pantry
Served 159 households, serving 237 individuals
an increase of 16% from Q3 of 2025

Casework Statistics
Served 928 unique clients
Provided $56,411 in financial assistance
Our casework team helped 22 households with rental assistance in Q3, totaling $10,310 in emergency financial assistance.

Furniture Program
247 households received furniture
an increase of 44% from Q3 of 2025

Warrensburg & Brant Lake Clothing Centers
Saw 906 visitors, which provided clothes for 2,829 people

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