



November 2021



A message from our Executive Director:

With Thanksgiving approaching and the holidays just around the corner, I want to take this opportunity to thank each of our staff members, sister agencies and clients – thank you for making our community a wonderful place to live and work. Every day I am reminded of how lucky I am to be surrounded by such amazing people.

In addition to extending my deepest gratitude and well wishes to our staff, sister agencies and clients I want to wish everyone safe travels during Thanksgiving.

As always, my staff and I are available at our office, if we can ever be of assistance. I hope you have a joyous and safe Thanksgiving holiday!

Melissa Furnia
Executive Director

Our News



Programs

Friends is administering several affordable housing programs to help our neighbors address their affordable housing needs. Typical housing repairs include, but are not limited to, drilled wells, septic systems, roof repairs, windows, insulation, electrical upgrades, and accessibility modifications such as wheelchair ramps, widened doorways, grab bars, and low lip showers.

Currently Friends is administering housing programs throughout Clinton and Franklin County, these programs include:

- NYS Access to Home, Clinton and Franklin County
- NYS HOME, Clinton and Franklin County
- NYS MMHR, Clinton and Franklin County
- NYS CBBG: AuSable, Bangor, Beekmantown, Bellmont, Chateaugay, Constable, Dannemora, Franklin, Mooers, Moira, Westville, and the Village of Malone

Please call our Intake Specialist for applications.

Staff

Friends welcomed Amber Curtis to our team as our new Intake Specialist. Amber can be reached at acurtis@friendsofthenorthcountry.org 518-293-5045 ext. 126

Christina Piercy, Friends Senior Housing Counselor, was promoted to Housing Counseling Manager.

Christina can be reached at cpiercy@friendsofthenorthcountry.org 518-293-5045 ext. 125

Events

Friends is preparing for our annual fundraiser. Fundraising letters are distributed in December and all donations are utilized to help low-to-moderate income neighbors with critical housing needs. Please consider donating, each and every dollar counts!