



Families First Community Center

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FAMILIES FIRST COMMUNITY CENTER RECEIVES \$5,000 GRANT

ELLSWORTH – Families First Community Center (FFCC) recently received a \$5,000 Pulliam Social Justice Grant from the **Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Castine** to support renovations to their Home with supportive services for homeless families with minor children. A ground-breaking ceremony will take place soon. The public is welcome to attend. Please contact FFCC for details and a copy of the Wish List for Home renovations and furnishings, call 460-3711, mail PO Box 951, Ellsworth, email familiesfirstellsworth@gmail.com or visit their website at www.familiesfirstellsworth.org.

“This grant allowed us to meet our fundraising goal of \$130,000 for the renovations on the Home,” said Dawn Carter Coffin, Board President. “We could not be more thrilled that our goal was reached just in time for renovations. There is a strong need for housing and supportive services for homeless families with children in this county and we hope that Families First Community Center will go a long way toward alleviating that situation.”

Families First Community Center was founded in 2015. Its mission is to break the cycle of homelessness by equipping families with minor children with the skills they need to gain self-sufficiency. FFCC will be participating in Trunk or Treat, the Ellsworth Parade, and Christmas at Woodlawn again this year.

Pulliam Grants are named after the late Deborah Pulliam, a longtime member of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Castine and a promoter of social justice both locally and elsewhere.

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