

### A tough but blessed year

In 2020, we focused on serving the ever-changing needs of Yates County residents during the COVID-19 pandemic. This would have been impossible without the outpouring of support we received from the community.

We were blessed this year not only with new donors, but also with an unprecedented number of unsolicited monetary and food/personal care item donations. And again, our faith community played a huge role in the success of the Reverse Advent and Lent donation calendars.

There also have been positive outcomes of our pandemic response. New volunteers became engaged with The Well to help deliver orders and shop. Several of these new “shoppers” eased the burden on a single volunteer. Most importantly, the shared COVID crisis expanded our local partnerships and collaboration, increasing visibility for The Well’s mission in Yates County.



Executive Director Sandi Perl greets Dawn Dennis, member of the Benton United Methodist Women, as she delivers birthday bags to The Well for distribution.

### Our Impact

**900**  
Free Breakfasts.  
Twice as many as 2019

**17,642**  
Needs N Things

**24,699**  
Food Items

**2,230**  
Households Served

**3,773**  
Grab N Go Lunches  
A twenty-twofold  
increase over 2019

### Reach Out!

Do you need our services, want to volunteer, or make a donation? Contact us!

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A Yates County Outreach Program  
121 East Elm Street Penn Yan NY 14527



### Collaboration with the Community



## Annual Report 2020

Dear Friends,

Humble: That’s the best word I can think of to describe 2020 at The Living Well Mission (The Well).

I’m humbled by the generosity of each of you, as well as by the gifts you’ve shared with The Well to help those who struggle in our community.

I am humbled by the time and effort that **27 new volunteers** put in delivering food to **377 households** from March to June 2020.

I am humbled by the daily—sometimes hourly—donations of food, personal care items, hats, mittens, coats, and so much more.

I am humbled by your monetary donations and the creativity they’ve afforded us during the COVID-19 pandemic. With those funds, you’ve allowed us to better serve our community by taking our mission safely to the sidewalk.

I would love to guess what 2021 has in store for The Well; I just cannot. But I do know that we will be here—stronger than ever and ready to serve—because of your generosity.

Thank you so much for your faith as we take this journey together. Please enjoy reading your story within these pages.

In peace,

Rev. Dr. Sandra Perl

Executive Director



The Living Well Mission is a safe place to which Yates County residents can turn in times of need.

**Mission**  
We connect people to solutions so they may thrive.

**Vision**  
Building a caring community.

### Staff

**Sandi Perl** Executive Director  
**Kim Lyons** Outreach Development Coordinator  
**Terry Fingar** Community Development Coordinator

### Executive Board 2020

**Thomas May** President Chet Briggs  
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**Georgann Farrell** Treasurer Joanne Kennedy



# Listen. Act. Solve.

## Ongoing Programs

### Back-to-School Bags

Gift bags of age-appropriate personal care items so children look and feel their best starting the school year.

### Hats & Mittens Program

Handmade knitted hats and mittens distributed during the colder months.

### Birthday Bags

A partnership with the Benton United Methodist Women to help families celebrate birthdays for their children age 17 and younger.

### Living Well Cancer Care

Compassionate peer support and financial help in a small group setting for caregivers and/or people living with cancer. Temporarily online.

### Bereavement Meeting Group

A safe space for support after the death of a loved one. Temporarily online.

## Get involved

Dedicated volunteers are vital to The Well. Want to make a real difference? Join us!

## On Pause (COVID-19)

### Community Free Breakfast

Free hot and cold breakfast during school vacations.

### Paul's Place

A free drop-in program for people living with early stage Alzheimer's and dementia. Volunteers provide one-on-one interactions and join guests in crafts, lunch, music, and stories.

### Memory Care Café

Social time for caregivers and those living with memory loss.



*Penn Yan Head Start teacher Raeana Tietjen distributes graduation gift bags at Pre-K Graduation in June 2020. Circle: Volunteer Susan Andersen selects books donated by Penn Yan Rotary for the gift bags.*

## Building a Caring Community:

The pandemic forced us to reimagine our services. Our agile structure and strong partner connections allowed us to respond rapidly. We got creative with our existing programs, and built collaborations to solve new pandemic problems.

**Grab N' Go Lunch:** Pre-packed lunches 3 days/week, switched to sidewalk pick-up. Food donated weekly by local churches.

**Food Pantry + Needs N' Things:** Moved to call-ahead ordering/curbside pick-up.

### Back-to-School Hygiene Bags:

Expanded to local Head Start and schools in the Penn Yan and Dundee Central School districts.

**Grateful Hearts:** A unique partnership with the Penn Yan Lions Club and Penn Yan Rotary, providing food and personal care items to essential workers in the Penn Yan Manor and Clinton Crest Manor.

**Winter Coats:** We distributed new and used winter coats this year, as the Yates Christmas Program was unable to distribute clothes.

**Pre-K Graduation Gift Bags:** Thanks to two grants provided by the Penn Yan Elks Club, we made graduation gift bags for Penn Yan Head Start. Bags included summer fun items (jump ropes, sidewalk chalk, crayons, bubbles, books, etc.) and household supplies.

**Quarantine Help:** A new partnership with NYS Contact Tracing to be the local emergency food supplier for quarantined Yates County residents. During the first COVID peak, from March to June 2020, 27 new volunteers delivered to 377 households.

**Public Health Support:** To date, we've distributed 1,400 masks—many of which were handmade and donated—to the community.

*"Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your Grateful Hearts Program. This program has helped keep our staff out of the grocery stores, helped put food on their table when members of their families lost their jobs, and provided a bright light in these dark times. All of your volunteers and staff are amazing and wonderful. You are what makes our community special."*

— Penn Yan Manor staff

# Your donations help our community thrive!

## \$1-\$99

August Andrukat  
Kevin Andrukat  
Alicia Avellaneda  
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Gordon Bascom  
Margaret Beckwith  
Sharon Benjamin  
Amy Borglum  
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Ruthann Makatura  
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Janet Martone  
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Douglas Miller  
Raymond Miller  
Charles Mitchell  
Mary Ellen Morgan  
William Newell  
Oak Hill Bulk Foods  
Janice Ogden  
Kevin Pallar  
Eleanor Parker

Donna Payne  
Penn Yan Area Womens Club  
Penn Yan Middle School  
Alexandra Perl  
Pinckney Hardware  
Ernest Pinneo  
Linda Potts  
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Nancy Rembaum  
Kimberlee Richards  
Peter Rulison  
Carl Schadt  
Deborah Scharf  
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Deborah Scheffler  
Seneca Farms  
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Monica Smaltz  
Linda Snyder  
Donald Sottile & Sharon Tyler  
Lois Sprague  
St. Mark's Terrace  
St. Michael Catholic School  
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Jeffrey Stempien  
Tom Stickney  
William Sutherland  
David Sweet  
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Geraldine Turner  
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Dale Welker  
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Beaumont & Stork Inc.  
Thomas Best  
Philip Bracht  
Philip Burdick  
Christie Cahill  
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Central Finger Lakes Friends Meeting  
Penelope Chapman

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Shirley Condella  
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Joan Hansen-Eldred  
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Ronald Miller  
Michael Morehouse  
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Burge Morris  
Jean Murdock  
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Meredith Nielsen  
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Stephanie Olsen  
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Penn Yan Fire Department  
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Keith Prather  
Elizabeth P. Prejean  
Leslie Rhode  
James Riesenberger  
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Ron Rubin  
Kent Salisbury  
Lorraine Salters  
Dana Schillinger  
Abby Seaman  
Robert Shaw  
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Robert Shrader  
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Richard Smith  
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Erin Wert  
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Suzanne Westlake  
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Bart Winslow  
Paul Wojciechowski  
Dorine Woodard  
Tom Wunder  
Thomas Yost

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Bellona Memorial Presbyterian  
Benton United Methodist Church  
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Lakeview Organic Grain, LLC  
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Elizabeth McInnis  
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Penn Yan Education Association  
Penn Yan United Methodist Church  
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David Perl  
Terry Perrault  
Barbara Pinckney  
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Hillard Sarver  
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Deborah Smith  
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St. Mark's Episcopal Church  
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Evelyn Watkins  
Leslie Wood  
Stacy Wyant  
Yates County Employees CSEA Unit 9300  
Philip Bailey  
Bluff Point United Methodist Church  
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Beulah Decker  
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James Henderson  
James P. Gordon Charitable Trust  
Lions Club-Penn Yan  
Christopher McNinch  
James Merritt  
Jorgen Overgaard  
Passero Associates  
Penn Yan Council of Churches  
Penn Yan Elks Lodge #1722  
Penn Yan First Baptist Church  
Jen Rouin

## \$1,000-\$4,999

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Penn Yan First Baptist Church  
Jen Rouin

Nancy Sarver  
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Alan Snyder  
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Yatesville United Methodist Church

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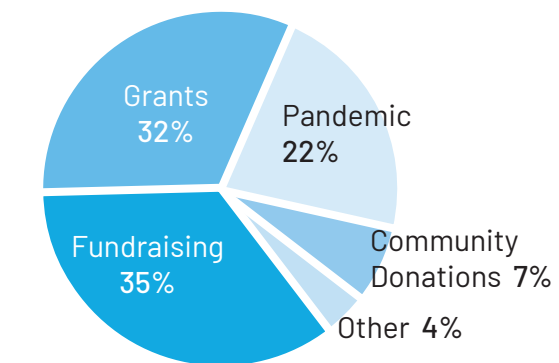
THANK YOU!

*"Thank you so much for your contribution with the lunch meals we are receiving!!! It is so nice to have people like you who care and do such nice things for people in need. Thank you once again for helping us when we needed it."*

— Local clients, B. and T.

## Financial Report 2020

Income: \$216,671



Expenses: \$141,569

