

Kent Community Fund, Inc.
Catherine Posselt Bachrach- President

The Kent Community Fund provides grants for the emergency financial needs of Kent residents and families. The Fund also supports community charitable programs serving Kent residents throughout the year, including ongoing support for the weekly Kent Free Market, a community food pantry.

Grants from the Fund are available as a “last resort” after other sources, such as fuel banks, government entitlements and special programs are utilized. The Grant Committee approved ten grants totaling almost \$5,000 in its first year of operation. Assistance was provided for rent, car registration, child care and summer camp tuition, gas cards, the payment of utility bills and other emergency needs of neighbors struggling to make ends meet.

Referrals are accepted from various sources, such as the Town of Kent’s Director of Social Services, the Town’s Municipal Agent for the Elderly, local clergy, the staff of the Visiting Nurse Association, school and hospital social workers, doctors and other medical and social service providers.

There are seven Board members, all of whom are longtime residents of Kent with backgrounds in finance, law and social services.

Kent Community Fund Board – 7 Members appointed by the Board of Selectman for 2-year terms

Members:

Term Expires

Catherine Posselt Bachrach- President.
Jim Palmer- Secretary
Lorry Schiesel- Treasurer.
Tony DiPentima,
George Jacobsen,
Judy Sheridan
Joe Speranzo.
Ruth Epstein,

ex-officio

Contributions to the Kent Community Fund, a registered non-profit organization, come from hundreds of generous neighbors.