

## Annual Giving Tree Helps Hundreds of Children

Each year, Waitsfield and Champlain Valley Telecom spreads holiday cheer throughout our service area through the company's Annual Giving Tree. Tammy Field, Administrative Supervisor, single-handedly coordinates this program. Tammy works directly with schools and organizations to fulfill the wishes and needs of 400-500 children each holiday season. Gifts are donated by employees, customers, and the company's Contribution Committee.

**Our thanks to Tammy and to everyone who participated!**



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### Office Holiday Closures:

**Monday, January 16, 2023**

Martin Luther King Jr. Day

**Monday, February 20, 2023**

Presidents' Day



## Happy New Year from Our Family to Yours!

All of us at Waitsfield and Champlain Valley Telecom wish you and your family a Happy New Year. It's been our privilege to provide your communication services, and we look forward to serving you in 2023!

# WCVT Employees Shared Helping Hands and Warm Hearts in 2022

Giving back to the communities we serve has always been an important part of who we are at Waitsfield and Champlain Valley Telecom. We feel strongly that community involvement is not just a nice thing to do; it's the right thing to do. We wholeheartedly contribute to many community organizations and events including those listed here. Because you support us, we can support them.

- Addison County Chamber of Commerce
- Bristol Recreation Department
- Fill a Backpack Program
- Giving Tree
- Hinesburg Business and Professional Association
- Lake Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce
- Mad River Valley Chamber of Commerce
- Mad River Valley Recreation District
- Mad River Valley Rotary Club
- Our Community Cares Camp (Richmond)
- Special Olympics Vermont
- Vermont Chamber of Commerce
- Local Foodbanks
- Vermont State Parks Forever ... and more!

**We also give each employee 16 hours of community service time yearly to be used on local projects. If your organization is looking for help, contact Lorraine Keener at 802-496-8379 or [lkeener@corp.wcv.com](mailto:lkeener@corp.wcv.com) for more details.**



## WCVT Welcomes New Employees

Our team is working hard to continue the evolution of our network, and we convert more customers to high-speed fiber optics each day. We know the need for additional bandwidth is real, as so many of us work and learn from home, access telehealth services, and use the internet to stay connected with family and friends. We're excited to welcome the following new employees to our team. They'll help us achieve our goals of providing exceptional customer service and the latest communications technology.



**Daniel Hollister**  
*Internet Tech Support*



**Caleb Lamson**  
*Service Technician*



**Bethany Mosier**  
*Customer Service*

## Welcome New Businesses

When you buy local, everyone benefits. Please support the community by doing business with these new neighbors.

Emeraldrose Dispensary  
Bristol..... 802-453-2200

Hanger Steak, LLC  
Warren..... 802-583-9499

Thornton Investing  
Bristol..... 802-453-5432

Valley Meade Dispensary  
Waitsfield..... 802-496-5344



# Mad River Valley Recreation District Awarded \$5,000 Grant for Irrigation System

The Mad River Valley Recreation District (MRVRD) has received a \$5,000.00 grant from the Foundation for Rural Service (FRS). The MRVRD worked in partnership with Waitsfield and Champlain Valley Telecom (WCVT) to qualify and submit for this grant. These funds will help the MRVRD to install an irrigation system on their recreational fields, which are used by thousands of kids and adults each year.

The FRS awards grants to rural communities served by members of the NTCA – The Rural Broadband Association, such as WCVT. These grants are designed to provide support to a variety of local efforts to build and sustain a high quality of life in rural America. The required matching funds were provided by WCVT.



““The fields at Mad River Park are known as some of the highest quality recreation fields in Central Vermont,” said Laura Arnesen, Executive Director of the Mad River Valley Recreation District. “We’re so appreciative of the Foundation For Rural Service grant and our partner in this opportunity, Waitsfield and Champlain Telecom. The grant will enable us to keep the fields at Mad River Park in pristine condition so that people of all ages can continue to use this terrific community space well into the future.”

**For more information on FRS and community development grants, please contact Lorraine Keener at 802-496-8379 or [lkeener@wcv.com](mailto:lkeener@wcv.com).**

## Is There a High School Senior in Your Family?

WCVT is proud to partner with the Foundation for Rural Service (FRS) in the 2023 College Scholarship Program. The foundation annually awards scholarships to an exceptional group of rural students for their first year of college or vocational school. FRS has awarded over \$1 million in scholarships since its inception, empowering rural students throughout the country to advance their communities with invaluable skill sets and experiences. All applicants require sponsorship by an NTCA –The Rural Broadband Association member company, which includes WCVT.



**FOUNDATION FOR RURAL SERVICE**

As your local telecommunications service provider, it's our pleasure to offer this national scholarship program in our service area. Applicants must be a graduating high school senior and an active customer or whose parents or legal guardian are active customers of WCVT and reside full-time in the WCVT service area.

**The application deadline is February 8, 2023. For more information and to apply online, visit the FRS website at [www.frs.org](http://www.frs.org) or contact Lorraine M. Keener at 802-496-8379 or [lkeener@corp.wcv.com](mailto:lkeener@corp.wcv.com).**

