

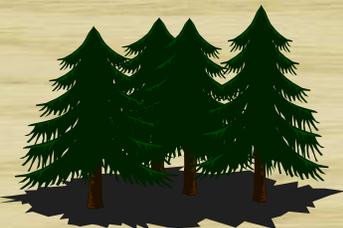


Friends of Clifton Park Open Space

Let's Keep the "Park" in Clifton Park!

Friends of Clifton Park Open Space (Friends) is a grassroots organization of private citizens that was formed in response to a growing awareness of the value of open space to the quality of life of Clifton Park residents, and out of concern for the threatened loss of open space throughout the town.

Founded in 1996, this private group of citizens is dedicated to increasing awareness of the value of open space for all segments of our town, and to balance that value with the need for development in order to promote the fullest potential for Clifton Park.



SEE OUR GOALS...

Define what resources exist in the community

Maintain an independent force for advocating protection of those resources

Publicize how open space is valuable to our economy as well as our way of life in town

Investigate what is possible & what has been done in other towns

Be a creative force—generating ideas for the town and other groups

Communicate those ideas to the community & facilitate a broad discussion of ideas

Solicit active participation by the public in open space discussions



Contact us or visit our web site

P.O. Box 821
Clifton Park, New York 12065

www.cpopenspace.org

FRIENDS OF CLIFTON PARK OPEN SPACE

LET'S WORK TOGETHER
TO KEEP THE "PARK" in
CLIFTON PARK!!

**Stewardship of the land is
important to everyone**



What Friends is all about....

Some History...

1996: \$3K grant from Rural NY produces first natural resource mapping

2000: Environmental Stewardship Award from town Environmental Conservation Committee.

2008: Friends approved as 501C3 non-profit corp.

2012: Siena Study "Green C" findings presented



Check at our website for the work done by Siena College on creating a Green Belt in Western Clifton Park

MISSION STATEMENT

"To identify and advocate for the conservation of: water resources, forested and agricultural lands, and sensitive open spaces of community interest for the benefit of Clifton Park's citizens and the species inhabiting these special areas.

Open Space makes Economic Sense...

- Open Space industries like agriculture generate money and economic development to towns & regions.
- Financial benefits to local government for open space reduce costs for public infrastructure and lessen the need for property tax increases.
- Ecosystems such as wetlands can reduce municipal costs for water treatment facilities.
- Drainage and storm water runoff from impervious surfaces are *eight times* that of open space thereby reducing municipal water treatment costs.
- Open space reduces flooding, reduces erosion, increases groundwater recharge and improves water filtration for less pollution and better stream health.
- Open space that remains on municipal tax rolls can produce a net profit for municipalities.

WE NEED YOUR HELP TO FULFILL OUR MISSION!!

To donate—please mail the form below, or use the "Contribute" button to charge a donation at our website: www.cpopenspace.org

YES, I WANT TO HELP PRESERVE AND PROTECT OPEN SPACE IN CLIFTON PARK

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____

E-mail address: _____

We never sell or share our e-mail/ mailing lists

As a 501C3, contributions to FCPOS are fully Tax-Deductible:

_____ \$10 _____ \$25 _____ \$50
_____ \$75 _____ \$100 _____ Any Amount

Make checks payable to: Friends of Clifton Park Open Space,

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