

Facebook Journalism Project awards Niagara Frontier Publications

Announcing first round of grants supporting local newsrooms' coronavirus coverage

The Facebook Journalism Project (FJP), the Lenfest Institute for Journalism and the Local Media Association (LMA) are announcing the first round of North American local newsrooms receiving FJP Community Network grants to support their coronavirus news coverage. A complete list of winners will be announced in early April.

Six local newsrooms in New York were selected to receive almost \$30,000 in funding – CNY Latino, Examiner Media, Niagara Frontier Publications, Spotlight Newspapers, Wallkill Valley Publications Inc., and Watertown Daily Times, with each of these recipients getting \$5,000. In this first round, 50 local newsrooms across the U.S. and Canada are receiving \$5,000 grants to help cover unexpected costs associated with covering the crisis in their communities. Additional recipients will be announced in the coming weeks.

Access to trustworthy, accurate and local information is critical now more than ever in our state. These small investments can help fulfill immediate needs such as increasing frequency of publishing, tools to work remotely, combating misinformation and serving vulnerable and at-risk groups.

This is a part of Facebook's broader effort to provide support around COVID-19, including a separate \$1 million in grants to supporting fact-checkers.

The Facebook Journalism Project builds community through news, trains newsrooms globally, and achieves quality through partnerships. Along with Lenfest and LMA, the Facebook Journalism Project partnered with Canada's News Media Association and The Independent News Challenge to include journalists in remote communities across Canada.



A look inside the Facebook Seattle office at Arbor Blocks 300. (Image courtesy of Facebook)

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"We are grateful The Facebook Journalism Project, the Lenfest Institute for Journalism and the Local Media Association selected us for this prestigious award," GM/Managing Editor Joshua Maloni said. "Quite obviously, this is an extremely challenging time – for all of us – with a rapidly moving cycle of news. We are bombarded by constant floods of information we need to verify, edit, and deliver back to our community each day. This grant will help us in that endeavor, by allowing our staffers to work both in the office and remotely as we, too, practice responsible social distancing.

"Educating, informing, empowering and entertaining our readers, while helping local businesses stay afloat – that is our No. 1 priority. Thank you for helping us achieve that goal."

Publisher Skip Mazenauer said NFP is partnering with local chambers of commerce and sharing marketing ideas with small businesses.

Sign up for the Facebook Journalism Project newsletter to learn more about its programs and stay up-to-date on its latest announcements.

Niagara Frontier Publications is a 76-year-old, family-owned, award-winning publishing company that is the first name people in Niagara County, Grand Island and the surrounding ar-

reas think of for timely, accurate, local news and information in print, on the web, and in social media.

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WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, I issued a Proclamation of a Local State of Emergency pursuant to Section 24(1) of Article 2-B of the Executive Law;

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, I issued Local Emergency Orders pursuant to Section 24(2) of Article 2-B of the Executive Law relating to the public emergency in the Town of Grand Island;

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2020 and March 25, 2020, I extended the Local Emergency Orders pursuant to Section

24(2) of Article 2-B of the Executive Law relating to the public emergency in the Town of Grand Island, which are currently in effect and will expire unless further extended; and

WHEREAS, the public emergency of the COVID-19 pandemic is continuing and I hereby find that the Local Emergency Orders should be extended;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John C. Whitney, Town Supervisor of the Town of Grand Island, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Laws of the State of New York, hereby extend the following Local Emergency Orders:

(1) all public hearings before any board or body of the Town of Grand Island are hereby cancelled, to be rescheduled at a date, time, and location to be determined

and, pursuant to Section 24(2) of Article 2-B of the Executive Law, this Order shall be in effect for five additional days, unless further extended;

(2) public attendance at Town Board meetings is hereby suspended, and any proceedings of the Town Board shall be made available via livestream, with a link posted on the Town of Grand Island website, pursuant to the Governor's Declaration of a Disaster Emergency, and, pursuant to Section 24(2) of Article 2-B of the Executive Law, this Order shall be in effect for five additional days, unless further extended;

(3) meetings of all advisory boards and the Zoning Board of Appeals are hereby suspended, and, pursuant to Section 24(2) of Article 2-B of the Executive Law, this Order shall be in effect for five additional days, unless further extended;

(4) all laws providing for deadlines for action of any board are hereby tolled during the pendency of this State of

Emergency, and, pursuant to Section 24(2) of Article 2-B of the Executive Law, this Order shall be in effect for five additional days, unless further extended;

FURTHER, a copy of these emergency orders herein shall be posted on the Town of Grand Island website, distributed to the media, and published in the official newspaper of the Town of Grand Island;

IN ADDITION, the Town is asking the public not to come to any Town facilities or offices for non-essential reasons;

FURTHER, the Town is urging all community groups not to hold large public gatherings; and

IN ADDITION, additional emergency orders may be issued in light of further developments in responding to this disaster, pursuant to Section 24, Article 2-B of the Executive Law.

GIVEN, this 31st day of March, 2020.

By: John C. Whitney,
P.E.; Town Supervisor
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Apr. 3, 2020

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Belle and Julia LLC, brand and online store offering sustainable and artisan products. Filed with NY Secretary of State (NYSS) on 02/06/20 Office Location: ERIE county NYSS designated processed agent Purpose of LLC: Any Lawful Purpose. www.belleandjulia.com
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