

**NCCF and Carriage Barn Partnership**  
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The NCCF has been an active and valued partner with the Carriage Barn since it opened in Waveny Park in 1973 as a cultural and community arts center. The Foundation's grant support has furthered the Carriage Barn's mission in diverse ways. Grants have ranged from supporting critical expenditures for essential structure, through improvements to the building foundation, to practical investments improving revenue opportunities, through a Gallery and kitchen "update" making the site a more desirable venue for community events, to aesthetic projects such as improved lighting to better showcase the work of hundreds of talented local artists. Along with this financial support, the staff and Board of NCCF have provided invaluable assistance in efforts to expand the quality and breadth of Carriage Barn offerings to more than 3,000 visitors each year, and helping the organization move toward financial success.