

AREA HOMECARE & FAMILY SERVICES, INC.

Area HomeCare & Family Services has been providing home care services to low-income Newton elderly and people with disabilities or chronic illnesses since 1972.

In our fiscal year 2016, we served 8 Newton residents with direct services to help keep our Newton clients in their homes. Your contribution is an important part of our fundraising effort.

Our mission is to provide in-home care services and companionship to help the residents of Newton stay in their homes for as long as they can. We are part of a system of community-based care for our elderly and adults with disabilities or chronic illnesses.

If you know of a resident who needs assistance in daily home care tasks, please call us. We will have some of our brochures sent to your Town Offices.

Our Project CoolAir is a program that buys air conditioners for low-income elderly and is also available to Newton residents who need them for medical reasons and have a qualifying income. Please call for information on this program.

We look forward to a continued partnership with Newton. If you need additional information or have any questions, please call (Telephone: 603-436-9059).

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Taylor
Executive Director

CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER OF ROCKINGHAM COUNTY (CACRC)

The Child Advocacy Center is a registered 501c (3) non-profit agency. Town funds received allow us to continue to offer investigative services and support that child abuse victims and their families need.

A cost benefit analysis from National Children's Alliance found communities with a Child Advocacy Center save on average \$1,500 per child abuse investigation. 16 Newton children utilized CACRC services in 2016 and 19 Newton children in 2015 with a total savings of \$52,500 to the Town of Newton.

This past October, the Newton Police Department participated in our "Beards for Bucks" campaign, where Chief Michael Jewett, Officer Cory Drouin, Sergeant Robert DiFlumeri and Officer Scott LaValley raised \$520 for our center!

It's our nature to take care of children, and helping protect them from abuse has become a critical service of our time. Child Advocacy Center is requesting Newton's continued support in 2017. Thank you for your continued support. (Telephone: 603-442-8240)

Respectfully submitted,
Maureen "Moe" Sullivan, MBA
Executive Director

CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES (CFS)

Child and Family Services was able to serve Newton children and their families through our offices in Exeter, Manchester, and Dover as well as in homes, schools and community settings. In fact, over 80% of the services we provide to clients takes place in community or home settings and over 90% of our client base live in poverty. The allocation by the Town of Newton plays a significant role in ensuring that our services remain affordable, attainable, and accessible to all community members, regardless of their income.

Every year residents have a range of services available to them from CFS which cover pre-natal through adolescence, youth, adulthood, parenting, and elder life issues. These services are designed to strengthen family life by meeting the psycho-social and emotional needs of clients.

Child and Family Services appreciates your consideration of our request and look forward to partnering with Newton in serving the needs of children and families in 2017. Should you have any questions please contact us. (603-518-4000)

Respectfully submitted,
Donna Rosenstock
Director of Development

DRUGS ARE DANGEROUS, INC.

To the voters of Newton,
For 28 years, the Towns' of Newton and Kingston have supported the work of D.A.D. Inc., in bringing "Natural High" experiences to the children, youth, and families of our communities. The following are some of the examples of our efforts to help children, youth and families address some of life's challenges.

The annual family skating parties held at Skateland for Memorial, Bakie and the Middle School students continue to attract whole families and are well attended. D.A.D.'s Natural High Day, (always held on Father's Day at YMCA Camp Lincoln) has become an institution. Families from both Newton and Kingston celebrate the positive aspects of coming together and experiencing a drug free event. In addition to the free barbeque lunch, interactive games and activities for all age groups, the world's largest whip cream fight remains the highlight of the day's events.

D.A.D. continues to emphasize substance abuse prevention programs to help families address the scourge of drugs, alcohol, and its negative impact on our communities. Project Safeguard and Project Stand by Me for all 5th and 7th grade students and their parents/guardians is well attended. (These programs are subsidized through the school budget.)

Drugs Are Dangerous, Inc. is a registered NH non-profit corporation with the State of N.H. We are a small dedicated group of parents and individuals from Newton and Kingston trying to help children, youth, and families "be the best they can be". In 2017, the continued support of the voters of Newton in the amount of \$2,500 is very much appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,
Kristy A. Lacroix
D.A.D. President

FAMILY MEDIATION & JUVENILE SERVICES

Family Mediation & Juvenile Services' (FMJS) is a non-profit agency dedicated to providing critical services to teens and their families, in order to reduce out-of-home placements. As the major Diversion Agency in your community, we receive referrals from police, courts, schools, and others, for juveniles involved, or at risk for, issues relating to substance use, shoplifting and anger related offenses.

Through the use of a licensed clinician, trained mediators, community service supervisors and experienced course facilitators, FMJS assists families in identifying and resolving areas of conflict in parent-child mediation; we provide valuable education to teens in substance use prevention and treatment, with a special emphasis on the dangers of opiates. We run an anger management program, as well as an anti-theft course. And we connect youth with positive role models in the community through restitution and work supervision.

While the Board of Directors search for new funding streams to sustain the agency, we must emphasize again that the funding from the towns in our catchment area are crucial to our existence. At this time, we also want to mention that Kathleen Marino, who was your Newton Representative on our Board since its inception, passed away earlier this year. There is no way to overstate the importance of the contribution that she made to our agency. She was a wonderful person and is missed every day.

Our level funding request in 2017 is \$5,947 and we thank you for your collaboration and financial support over the years. (Telephone: 603-362-9957)

Respectfully submitted,
Melissa Huntley
Program Administrator

HAVEN

On July 1, 2015, SASS and A Safe Place officially and legally merged into HAVEN whose mission is to prevent sexual assault and domestic violence and to empower women, men, youth and families to heal from abuse and rebuild their lives.

HAVEN offers

- Emergency Shelter
- 24-hour crisis hotline: **1-603-994-7233**
- Support and accompaniments for families at the Rockingham Child Advocacy Centers
- Support Groups
- Accompaniments to hospitals, police departments and courts
- *Safe Kids Strong Teens* K-12 prevention programs
- 3 offices for walk-in support

Domestic violence, sexual abuse and teen dating violence are costly public health issues. Victims are more likely to suffer from low self-esteem, substance abuse and suicidal behavior. Adult victims often experience a loss of work and difficulty maintaining a job due to safety

concerns and depression in the aftermath of abuse. Since we know that youth are the most at risk, HAVEN's school-based prevention program is critical to reaching out to current and potential victims. Preventing domestic violence and sexual abuse and providing support for those impacted can lead to healthier and more secure children and adults.

On behalf of our Clients, Board and Staff, I want to thank the Town of Newton for your continued support. (Telephone 603-436-4107)

Sincerely,
Kathy Beebe
Executive Director

LAMPREY HEALTH CARE

The mission of Lamprey Health Care (LHC) is to provide the highest quality primary care and health related services, with an emphasis on prevention and lifestyle management regardless of an individual's ability to pay. Focusing on the health of the patient as well as the community as a whole, Lamprey Health Care's Newmarket & Raymond Centers offer the following care and services to its patients.

Primary care	Health education & outreach
Prenatal & obstetrical care	Social services & case management
Pediatric care	Free/reduced cost prescription drugs
Reproductive Health Services	Interpretation services
Chronic disease management	

Senior Transportation Program provides seniors 60 or older and adults with disabilities access to essential services, such as medical appointments with primary care physicians and specialists, grocery stores, local pharmacies, and other necessary errands. These services are available to all area physician offices and non-LHC patients so that our vulnerable populations have access to medical care.

In 2016, our senior transportation provided more than 8,000 rides to area seniors and disabled residents. Residents utilized our transportation program for shopping trips, medical appointments and monthly recreational outings. 16 Newton residents made 242 visits to Lamprey Health Care, of those 10 received \$1,894 of free or reduced fee medical care. Lamprey Health Care provided 422 rides to Newton senior citizens and adults with disabilities.

With your continued support of \$1,600 for Year 2017, we can continue to improve access and the health of your residents. For more information, visit our website at www.lampreyhealth.org (Telephone: 603-659-3106)

Respectfully submitted,
Debora Bartley
Director of Transportation Services

NH SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

In fiscal year 2016, we provided care and shelter for over 2,500 animals at our location in Stratham and provided other services to many more members of the community. In that time, we have received and responded to over 775 complaints of animal cruelty and neglect from communities in Rockingham County and other New Hampshire towns.

Along with taking in animals from your community and placing many of them into good homes, we also assist animal control officers, educate children and adults about the humane treatment of animals, and provide many other services that directly affect your community. The Learning Center for Pets and People has served hundreds of community members through obedience and agility classes, behavior consultations, workshops, trainings, and seminars. We have been able to expand our work educating children about proper animal care and the humane treatment of animals. Youth ages 3 to 16 have participated in the weekly Story Time with Animals, summer camp, KIND and WE CARE clubs, Junior Volunteers and have joined us for their birthdays.

NHSPCA For Year 2016 Programs & Services Expenses

\$1,874,439 - includes animal care and sheltering services, humane education, community services and cruelty investigations.

2,512 - total number of animals cared for in last 12 months.

9,887 - total number of school children receiving humane education in last 12 months.

775 - total number of animal cruelty reports investigated in the last 12 months.

44,328 - total number of volunteer hours performed by community members

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25 - Total number of School Children Reached

4 - Number of Animals Surrendered by Residents

11 - Number of Animals Adopted by Residents

9 - Number of Residents participating in Training and Behavior Consultation

6 - Number of Residents participating in Low Cost Rabies/Microchip/Neuter

Services Provided By The NHSPCA include: Adoption and Surrender Services, Medical Care for the Animals, Low Cost Rabies Vaccination & Microchip Clinics, Animal Foster Care Program, Cruelty Investigations, Disaster Response Team & Preparedness, Disaster Relief Temporary Shelter, Obedience Training, Behavior Consultations, Humane Education in Local Schools, Humane Education For Adults In The Community, Summer Camp For Kids 6-12, Story Hour For Pre-Schoolers, We Care Club For Kids 6-9, KIND Club for Kids 9-12, Jr. Volunteer Program For Kids 13-15, Resource Information and Support.

More than ever in 2017, your town's support of \$750 for our efforts is critical to the continuation of our services.

Thank you for your consideration of the New Hampshire SPCA in your annual appropriations process. For more information, visit our website www.nhspca.org (Telephone: 603-772-2921)

Respectfully submitted,
Sheila E Ryan
Director of Development and Marketing

ROCKINGHAM COMMUNITY ACTION

Rockingham Community Action (RCA) is a private, non-profit corporation serving low-income individuals and families residing in all 37 municipalities of Rockingham County. RCA's mission is to support low-income individuals and families with direct services, to work to prevent more families from falling into poverty and / or homelessness, and to assist at-risk families in finding long-term solutions to their economic needs. This is accomplished by offering a variety of services to address people's immediate needs, providing the tools and skills to help achieve self-reliance and improve long term quality of life, and work in partnership with the community Town Welfare, and other services to address the root causes of poverty.

Newton is served by RCA's Salem Outreach Center. In our most recent statistical year, RCA provided the following benefits to Newton residents:

- \$48,825 in Federal Fuel Assistance benefits to 122 households
- \$12,679 in Electric Assistance discounts to 53 households
- \$124 for Childcare Resource & Referral to 6 households
- \$1,088 Emergency Food Pantry to 5 households
- \$733 Emergency Energy Programs to 3 households
- \$1,262 of Commodity Surplus Food to 7 households
- \$16,684 in WIC Nutrition Program to 29 households
- \$41,493 for Weatherization/ Conservation Programs to 9 households
- \$3,100 Workforce Development for 1 household

Your support in 2017 of \$5,000 is critical to the continuance of our Outreach Program and to the broad range of services our agency provides to your residents such as: **Fuel Assistance, Electric Assistance, Child Care Resources, Emergency Energy, Emergency Food Pantry, Workforce Development, Commodity Surplus Food, WIC Supplemental Food Program, Weatherization/Conservation, etc.** All these services help to ease the full burden on your local Welfare Budget. For more information, visit our website at www.RCAAction.org (Telephone: 603-431-2911)

Respectfully submitted,
Keith E. Bates
Community Services Director

ROCKINGHAM NUTRITION & MEALS ON WHEELS PROGRAM

5,077 nutritious meals were provided to 51 residents of Newton in 2016 (On average, we are feeding 20 Newton residents per day), **806 Rides to the Vic Geary Center for lunches & activities, 3,523 Safety Checks and 897 Support Services**

Thank you for your consideration of this year's request in the amount of \$2,200.00 toward the cost of services to Newton residents to help with their nutritional needs and maintain a safer and healthier life. This will provide meals and safety services to the residents of Newton who look to us for assistance. We in turn can help Newton address the Town's growing demographics of elders and their increasing needs as they age.

We have been serving Newton residents since 1979, providing a ready hot meal and safety services for those in need, on an ongoing basis: daily services Monday – Friday, all year to 51 residents. We strive to do our best to keep our requests reasonable, our costs under control and our service very good.

Thank you for your continued support of the Meals on Wheels Program and our request for \$2,200 in 2017. (Telephone: 603-679-2201)

Respectfully submitted,
Jaymie Chagnon
Assistant Director

VIC GEARY CENTER

The Vic Geary Center serves as a senior center for nine towns: Atkinson, Danville, Hampstead, Kingston, East Kingston, Newton, Newton Junction, Plaistow and Sandown. The following information will provide some insight into the diverse activities and services offered to the senior citizens of your community.

Several area senior organizations regularly meet free of charge at the Vic Geary. A wide variety of day bus trips were offered and enjoyed by many area seniors this past year. Monthly teas, some sponsored by the Vic Geary Center include refreshments and raffles. A van and driver provides daily transportation for those seniors wishing to attend clinics, meals, and special events at the Center.

Throughout the year, monthly blood pressure and twice a month foot care clinics are held at the center by Rockingham Visiting Nurses. Other clinics such as hearing and sight, safe driver and home safety are conducted regularly by area physicians and safety personnel. AARP tax preparation is offered on a yearly basis. Informative guest speakers on subjects of interest such as financial planning, prescription programs, diet and other topics are invited throughout the year. Fitness classes, bingo, card and board games, knitting group and arts and crafts are daily recreational activities offered at the Center.

The Plaistow Lions and various caring individuals all deserve a big round of thanks for the support and donations of time and materials that they give to the Vic Geary Senior Center and its seniors.

Organization Purpose

The purpose of the Vic Geary Center is to provide a pleasant, comfortable, safe gathering place for all senior citizens to congregate, share a nutritious noon meal, participate in recreational and social activities, to provide necessary services such as blood pressure, foot & flu clinics, and distribute surplus food stuffs.

The Vic Geary Board of Directors sincerely appreciates Newton's assistance to help us maintain this valuable senior resource enjoyed by many of our area seniors every day. We are asking for leveling funding of \$2,700 for 2017. (603-382-9276)

Respectfully submitted,
Jack McSheehy, President
Vic Geary Board of Directors

WEST NILE VIRUS / EEE

The 2016 mosquito season dried up like a streambed during a drought. The mosquito counts were down as well as the insecticide use for 2016. The drought's impact on the plant and animal kingdom has been devastating in many areas. Everyone commented about fewer mosquitoes but no one wanted to see wells run dry, streams and ponds disappear or trees die.

Disease test results revealed only one batch of West Nile Virus (WNV) mosquitoes from Nashua. No human cases were reported in NH. No evidence of Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) in the state this year. This is no surprise given the severity of the drought. Hot, dry summers favor WNV while wet years' favor EEE.

Aside from the drought, ZIKA Virus was another big story dominating the headlines this year. We continue to look for the Asian tiger mosquito, *Aedes albopictus*, known to transmit ZIKA in southern states and other countries. This mosquito has been found in Massachusetts and Connecticut. Fortunately, no species of mosquitoes capable of transmitting the ZIKA virus have been found in New Hampshire yet. It's expected to make its way into the state eventually as the climate warms. Until such time, we'll identify the potential larval habitats used by this mosquito and set traps to catch and identify adult mosquitoes.

Adult mosquitoes were monitored at four locations throughout town. Mosquitoes were collected in light traps, identified to species, and select species were sent to the State Lab in Concord where they were tested for diseases. None of the mosquitoes collected in Newton tested positive for disease in 2016. Dragon has identified 160 larval mosquito habitats in the Town of Newton. Crews checked larval habitats 393 times throughout the season. There were 47 treatments to eliminate mosquito larvae. In addition, 255 catch basin treatments were made to combat disease carrying mosquitoes. Spraying to control adult mosquitoes was not conducted last season.

The proposed 2017 Mosquito Control plan for Newton includes trapping mosquitoes for disease testing, sampling wetlands for larval mosquito activity, larviciding where mosquito larvae are found, efficacy monitoring, and emergency spraying when a public health threat exists. The control program begins in April when mosquito larvae are found in stagnant water such as red maple and cedar swamps, ditches, and woodland pools. Trapping adult mosquitoes begins in July. The mosquito control program ends in October when temperatures drop and daylight diminishes.

Residents who do not want their wetlands treated may use our No-Spray Registry online at www.DragonMosquito.com/No-Spray-Registry or write to Dragon Mosquito Control, P.O. Box 46, Stratham, NH 03885. Be sure to include your name, physical address, phone number, description of your house, road frontage and type of wetland. Inquiries may be emailed to help@dragonmosquito.com or call the office at 734-4144. You may call or email our office for assistance regarding mosquitoes, insecticides or questions about EEE or WNV. Check out our web site: www.dragonmosquito.com where you can request a larval survey, sign up for email alerts or follow us on Twitter and Facebook. (603-737-4144)

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah MacGregor, President
Dragon Mosquito Control, Inc.