

ASSOCIATION	2023 REQUEST	2024 REQUEST	RECOMMENDED FUNDING
<b>Aids Response Seacoast</b>	\$ 1,800.00	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00
This organization serves 3-5 Rye residents & 107 in surrounding communities and are the only program for AIDS in the Seacoast area. The funds go directly to Case Management for HIV & AIDS individuals, helping local people to secure vital services. We recommend level funding of \$1,800.			
<b>American Red Cross</b>	\$ 2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$1,500.00
They are an exceptionally well funded organization. Their funds for general operating expenses, unexpected disasters and overall budget is over \$8 million. We recommend not to fund them at the requested amount of \$2,500, but to fund them at \$1,500 which is in keeping with the majority of the associations we fund.			
<b>Big Brothers/Big Sisters</b>	\$ 3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$1,500.00
The numbers are exactly the same as last year. They served 3 Rye families and 232 regionally. They match caring mentors with at risk youth (ages 6-18). The average length of match is 3 years with a proven track record of prevention. In keeping with the other associations we fund, we recommend not funding them at the requested amount of \$3,000, but to fund them at \$1,500 which is in keeping with the majority of the associations we fund.			
<b>Center for Wildlife</b>	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00
This organization provides a place to call with questions about wild animals or to bring in an injured wild animal. There were 59 Rye residents who brought in an injured or orphaned wild animals, as well as 199 who called seeking help identifying species in their backyard or to get information on the best lawn care for the environment. They are located in Cape Neddick, Maine, and they serve the area from Falmouth, Maine to Newburyport, Massachusetts. Our focus and mission is to help the people of Rye and the surrounding communities with the many economic and health challenges that are part of so many lives. They requested funding of \$10,000. We do not recommend using taxpayer dollars to fund this organization and request they be removed from the Request for Funding list.			

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<b>Child Advocacy Center</b>	\$ 1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
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This organization works to prevent or minimize trauma to victims, mostly children, 3-18 years old as a result of some form of child abuse. A healthy community is one where all residents, especially our children have access to safety in public spaces as well as safety at home. In keeping with other organizations we fund, we recommend the requested funding of \$1,500.

<b>Cross Roads House</b>	\$ 2,500.00	\$12,000.00	\$2,500.00
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**This homeless shelter offers supportive services, transportation to school, long-term shelter access, visiting nurses, and it is the designated emergency shelter for Rockingham County. They have served 463 Seacoast area residents. Two individuals from Rye have stayed there for over one year for a total of \$469 bed nights at \$108 per bed night. This unfortunately is the result of the unavailability of affordable housing. We do not recommend funding this organization for the requested \$12,000, but recommend funding of \$2,500, which is above our usual funding.**

<b>Friends Program - RSVP</b>	\$ 1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
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The Retired Senior Volunteer Program partners with 55 non-profits and public organizations serving Rockingham County and the town of Rye. This program is Seniors helping Seniors with seniors in Rye receiving services from, Bone Builders strength training (10), Gather Food Pantry (20) AARP Tax Prep (5), just as an example. We recommend funding as requested of \$1,500.

<b>Great Bay Services, Inc</b>	\$5,000.00	\$14,184.00	\$1,500.00
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**This organization is based in Dover and serves 31 individuals in the Seacoast & Southern Maine area, providing advocacy and individualized job training for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. They are requesting \$14,184 to fund a new nutritional program. We are not a grant or project funding organization. Last year they requested \$ 5,000 an increase from the previous year of \$1500, stating without COVID funds they'd have gone under. We recommended keeping the funding at \$1,500 as we were not responsible for keeping them afloat.**

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**This year we recommend not to fund the nutritional program for \$14,184. We recommend funding of \$1,500 in keeping with the funding levels for most of the associations.**

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<b>Greater Seacoast Community Health</b>	\$ 2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
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This organization is a community health center network that makes it possible for all residents in eastern Rockingham and Strafford counties to have access to primary care, pediatrics, dental care, prenatal care, behavioral health counseling, mobile health services, just to name a few. 74% of the patients they serve have a known income at or below 200% of the federal poverty level. From Jan. to July, 2023 they served 75 Rye residents. We recommend the requested funding of \$2,000.

<b>Haven</b>	\$ 3,250.00	\$3,250.00	\$2,000.00
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**This organization is very well funded, with Federal and State grants alone of over \$1.7M. They did not indicate how many they served in Rye or the surrounding area. Although they provide much needed support for violence prevention and improvement in the well-being of children, they received one of the highest donations. It is our recommendation that we reduce the funding from \$3,250 to \$2,000 keeping them in line with similar donations.**

<b>Home Health VNA of NH</b>	\$ 9,975.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
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**Was formally known as Seacoast VNA, but are now Home Health VNA of NH, that is part of Home Health Foundation and all of which are under Tufts Home Medical Care at Home, a large Massachusetts based organization. They notified Janice in September that a transformer blew in their building, and they were unable to access their computers. As of our meeting on Sept. 27, no information has been submitted. This organization requested the largest amount last year and our recommendation was not to fund them as the EIN number they submitted belongs to Tufts. We recommend they be removed from the Request for Funding list.**

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<b>Meals on Wheels</b>	\$ 2,440.00	\$2,370.00	\$2,370.00

Our community in Rye and the surrounding towns have benefitted from this agency that provides warm nutritious meals via home delivery in all cities and towns in Rockingham County. This service continues to allow all 35 seniors in Rye and 620 in neighboring Seacoast area communities, to receive a variety of meal choices while being able to remain in their homes. Meals on Wheels also provides wellness checks to at-risk citizens every week of the year. We recommend the requested funding of \$2,370.

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<b>Millstone Wildlife Center</b>	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00

**Sections of the Request for Funding Form were unanswered. They provided no financial information. They stated they received no financial backing or source of income, but instead relied on donations. The Center is run out of a couple's home, questioning why we would donate money when we have no information on how donations have been used in the past and will be used in the future. Even with the lack of information, we do not support using taxpayer dollars to support a wildlife organization as they do not meet our focus and mission of helping the people of Rye and the surrounding communities. We request they be removed from the Request for Funding list.**

<b>New Generation</b>	\$ 2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
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**Although this is a worthy organization, they are part of N.H. Catholic Charities and they also provide services through New Frontier Church. We feel we should not be supporting religious organizations in keeping with the separation of church and state and in fairness to all denominations. We recommend we do not provide funding and recommend they be removed from the Request for Funding list.**

<b>N.H.S.P.C.A</b>	\$ 1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
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This is excellent and reliable organization, providing care, and shelter for domestic animals and pets. 123 Rye residents were served. They are a strong asset to the rural, farming community. They provide low cost rabies and spay/neuter clinics and have a highly regarded and affordable pet behavior training, animal cruelty intervention, pet loss support group and Alzheimer's Cafe's. We recommend the requested amount of \$1,000.

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<b>ROCKINGHAM COMMUNITY ACTION</b>	\$5,996.00	\$5,996.00	\$5,996.00
RCA supports low-income individuals and families from falling into poverty and/or homelessness by helping assist at-risk families find long term solutions for their economic needs. They provide emergency energy programs, fuel assistance, homelessness prevention programs, workforce development and Head Start just to name a few. They served 149 Rye households and 18,709 in Rockingham County for a total of \$37,861,289. We recommend funding as requested for \$5,996.			

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<b>Rye Senior Serve</b>	\$ 1,500.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
This local organic Rye organization offers direct services for Rye residents only, that include weekly van trips for groceries, bank, pharmacy and medical appointments. The organization is run entirely by volunteers. Most of the requested money will go towards the increased operating costs for the transportation they provide. This service makes it possible for our Rye seniors to remain in their own homes. We recommend funding this organization for the requested amount of \$2,000.			

<b>Seacoast Family Promise</b>	\$ 1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
They provide service to families experiencing homelessness. They serve 4 Rye residents and in the Seacoast have provided assistance to 47 families and 151 individuals. The donation request is reasonable and we approve the requested funding of \$1500.			

<b>Seacoast Mental Health Center</b>	\$ 6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00
They provide individualized support and education, such as mental health first aid, parenting classes, etc. With 60 years of proactive advocacy, they are available 24/7 serving the comprehensive mental healthcare needs of residents throughout the greater Seacoast. The mental health issues of school age children continues to be a challenge. We recommend funding this organization at the requested amount of \$6,000.			

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<b>Seacoast Pathways</b>	\$ 1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
<p>This unique organization works with individuals with mental illness and other co-occurring disorders, such as substance abuse, acquired brain injury and developmental disability. They follow the Club House model where participants can drop in and receive assistance from staff, but more importantly with their peers. Participants are referred by the community, mental health centers, hospitals and clinics. We recommend funding of this organization at the requested amount of \$1,500.</p>			

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<b>Seacoast Shipyard Association</b>	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
<p><b>This organization is a lobbying group for the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard. It is not a 501(c)3 organization, but a 501(c)6 which is given to groups such as Business Leaders, chambers of commerce, real estate boards, etc., created for the improvement of business conditions. There are some tax benefits for the organization with a 501(c)6, but any donations to this organization are not tax deductible. We do not recommend any funding for this organization and we recommend removing them from the Request from the Funding list.</b></p>			

<b>Waypoint</b>	\$4,800.00	\$4,800.00	\$4,800.00
<p>This is an outstanding organization that has been in operation for decades (formerly known as Child and Family Services). Their dedicated focus is on the well-being of children and families by providing essential social services that strengthen family life. They have a strong focus on support and early intervention in early children that underscores the significant impact of a child's earliest experiences on their brain development. They served 18 Rye families and 701 families in the Seacoast area. We recommend funding this organization for the requested amount of \$4,800.</p>			

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<b>TOTAL REQUESTED</b>	\$60,261.00	\$80,400.00	\$40,966.00	\$60,261.00	\$80,400.00	\$40,966.00

**NOTE: For 2024 Home Health VNA did not submit a request for funding. Previously they requested \$9,995.00.**