# United Way of the Tri-Valley Area Community Partners Six Month Report Summary (2019)

- -All goals have been adjusted based on funding actually received. Outcomes are based on United Way funding **only**. All organizations receive other sources of support which increases impact.
- -All partners were asked the same set of questions regarding funding received by the UWTVA. Responses to each question vary.
- 1. Given your award, what are the outcomes you are trying to achieve, and what progress have you made in meeting these outcomes?
- 2. What is the projected number of individuals to be served in one year with funding received from the UWTVA?
  - 3. Number of individuals served to date with UWTVA funding?
- 4. Are there any barriers to you meeting your outcomes, and, if so, how are they being addressed?
  - 5. How are you working collaboratively with other programs and services?
  - 6. Is there anything else you would like to tell us?

# **Western Maine Homeless Outreach (WMHO)**

WMHO is working to increase training for staff, volunteers, and guests. Goal is to continue to educate staff and volunteers with CPR/First Aid training and receive certifications. WMHO plans to provide training opportunities to 10 staff and volunteers and house approximately 85 guests. To date, WMHO has provided training to 8 staff and volunteers and provided housing to 51 guests.

## **Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Services (SAPARS)**

SAPARS' goal with United Way funding is to provide sexual assault prevention education and/or one on one support to 107 students. As of June 2019, SAPARS has provided presentations to 335 unduplicated students, 23 professionals, supported 134 survivors and/or concerned with others of which 5 new clients received support with all sources of funding.

## **Safe Voices**

Safe Voices' goal is to increase the safety of domestic violence survivors and their understanding of legal systems, create a Survivor Support Station, host community forums, offer support and training to educators and offer education to younger age groups. 11 individuals were projected to be directly served with court advocacy and general support with United Way funding and 2000 students were forecasted to participate in an extended educational curriculum led by Safe Voices Staff. As of July 31, 2019, 6 individuals have been directly served through the advocacy program and approximately 171 individuals were served through education programs in Franklin County.

In addition, Safe Voices created and distributed their own version of RADAR which is a card meant to help healthcare providers screen patients for domestic violence.

# Franklin County Children's Task Force

FCCTF offers school-based support programs that develop healthy relationships and prevent child abuse and neglect. FCCTF anticipated serving 3,500 unduplicated individuals by the end of the funding cycle and has served 1,951 individuals to date.

## **United Methodist Economic Ministry (UMEM)**

Goals include making homes safer, warmer and dryer for the elderly and low income and single guardian/parent in the community; providing food through a food pantry; and providing emergency shelter and fuel. UMEM expects to serve 500 individuals. UMEM has currently served 232 individuals with food, housing repair assistance and emergency fuel needs. The food cupboard has served over 100 families a month, alone.

#### **Catholic Charities of Maine**

Catholic Charities' SEARCH program provides in-home support services to older adults to relieve isolation and improve health. They do this by matching community volunteers with those in need of transportation, companionship, and socialization. The goal was to serve and support 30 seniors and 30 seniors have been served to date. As a "bonus," nine new volunteers have been recruited.

## **Community Dental**

Goals include continuing to be able to offer a sliding-fee scale for oral care and access to a Patient Assistance Fund. Community Dental in Farmington projects to serve a total of 1,350 patients living at or below 150% FPL. As of June 6, 2019, 1,026 patients have been served for Low-Income Oral Health Access program and 2 have accessed Patient Assistance Funding.

## **Healthy Community Coalition**

HCC's goals are to improve healthy behaviors that contribute to disease prevention and heavily attend events with a nutritional focus as food insecurity is a major concern for individuals who visit the Mobile Health Unit which UWTVA funds. HCC anticipates serving 350 individuals. To date HCC has served 728 individuals.

#### LEAP, Inc, (DREAM program)

LEAP, Inc is striving to provide much needed respite opportunities for shared living providers (those who provide housing for adults with disabilities) and to provide enriching activities for the individual supported. The projected number of individuals to be served this year is 15. As of June 2019, they have served 12 people.

#### **SAPARS- Child Advocacy Center**

SAPARS-CAC seeks to promote the healing of children impacted by sexual abuse in the community by providing forensic interviews to minimize trauma and aid in prosecution. The

interviews are conducted in a child-friendly environment and are admissible in court. The goal is to provide over 320 interviews of children and family advocacy services to 210 caregivers. For Franklin county, they expect to provide services to 60-80 children and 40-50 caregivers. To date they have conducted 25 unduplicated forensic interviews of children and have provided services to 15 unduplicated non offending care providers. They have coordinated 7 mental health referrals, 1 medical referral, 13 victim advocacy center referrals, and 2 Pine Tree Legal clinic referrals in the last 6 months.

## **Western Maine Community Action (WMCA)**

WMCA seeks to both administer locally raised heating funds and provide direct emergency heating assistance. WMCA will be using funds to cover emergency deliveries for fuel for clients. They anticipate serving 25 to 50 households. To date, they have not yet served any households as fuel funds are administered November 1 – March 31 annually to stretch resources in the coldest part of the winter.

## **Western Maine Transportation Services**

The goal is to provide local transportation for those unable to afford it. Trips are not limited to getting to medical appointments, but can also include trips to stores, or visits with family and friends. Goal is to serve 40 individuals through the funding period. It is "exceptionally odd" that only 1 individual had asked for a ride but WMTS was unable to accommodate them. No other rides have been asked for. WMTS will be addressing the situation this fall as the seasonal need for transportation increases.

## **SeniorsPlus**

With funds awarded, SeniorsPlus will provide nutritious meals that helps maintain their health and independence in their homes. The goal is to provide home-delivered 7,477 meals to 29 Franklin County residents and demonstrate funding has been secured to draw down federal matching dollars. As of August 1, 2019, they have already provided 10,658 meals to 120 unduplicated clients.

#### **RCAM**

RCAM looks to prevent homelessness and hunger. Programs include shelter, minor housing repair, and transportation for Livermore and Livermore Falls. The goal is to identify which client outcomes were being tracked in the database used by the agency's Homeless Prevention and Shelter program, create new or stronger relationships with local partners, and to meet with RCAM partners to share new program services and strengthen the partnership relationship. RCAM anticipated serving roughly 35 people. To this date they have served 68 individuals; 11 with senior transportation, 5 with housing repairs, 21 with homeless prevention services, and 31 with hunger prevention services.

# **Literacy Volunteers**

Literacy Volunteers seeks to develop a substantial, sustainable tutoring program in Livermore Falls/Jay area. Since September of 2018 they have built and enabled collaborations in order to

provide monthly adult learning classes. Projected outcomes are for 9 people to have 12 sessions. Literacy volunteers is currently working with Work First to register 5 learning partners for classes beginning in September 2019. The goal was to increase by 20% (14 people) the number of people registered as learning partners (Students) to a total of 111.22 tutors, and 4 community collaborators. To date, Literacy Volunteers has reached 94 learning partners (students), 17 tutors, and 7 new collaborators specific to the Jay/Livermore area.

## Children's Center Early Intervention & Family Support

Children's Center programs strives for each child identified with a disability in the children's behavioral health day treatment program to interact with a child who is typically developing in the community on a monthly basis. It is anticipated to serve approximately 12 children by the funding allowed. Over the past six months, they have served 9 children allowed by funding.

## Care and Share Food Closet, Inc.

The goal is to purchase more food from Good Shepard and to increase the amount of food given out monthly and to better serve the clients' needs. Care and Share predicts to serve 2,000 unduplicated individuals, and 8,500 total individuals. To date, 1,432 unduplicated individuals, 4,243 total individuals have been served from the Care and Share Food Closet with United Way funding.