

## **United Way of the Tri-Valley Area Community Partners Six Month Report Summary (2020)**

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)**

United Way allocated funds to WMHO for day programming at its shelter. At this time WMHO is currently closed due to Covid19 and is searching for a new shelter location. United way has communicated with WMHO and is withholding the balance of the funds due at this time. Currently WMHO is providing case management services out of an office on Perham Street in Farmington. (WMHO applied for and received support through the Very Basics Fund to provide first-month's rent, security deposit assistance, and emergency shelter at hotels.)

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

SAPARS' goal with United Way funding is to provide sexual assault prevention education to approximately 500-800 students and faculty in various schools throughout the region. Also provide approximately 75 hours of drop-in support via zoom or phone support. From September 2019 to June 2020 SAPARS has provided presentations to 441 unduplicated students, supported 49 survivors and/or concerned others, and received 9 CAC referrals for follow up and support.

## **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 via zoom, offer support and training to educators and offer education to younger age groups. In the education department, Safe Voices projected they would serve or reach 175 individuals. Covid19 has put meeting with survivors in person on hold, and advocates are connecting virtually. Safe Voices' educator was able to connect to 15 people through Zoom meetings, email, and phone conversations in the Franklin County area. The Franklin Court advocate assisted 24 clients in the last 6 months. 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 1,600 unduplicated individuals by the end of the year. As of August 31, FCCTF served 916 unduplicated individuals.

**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 within the year. UMEM has currently served 325 individuals with food, community outreach needs, emergency fuel, materials for home repair, and school supplies.

## **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 35 seniors. As of August 31, 30 seniors have been served.

## **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 1,530 patients with low-income, or who are underinsured, or uninsured. As of June 30, 2020, Community Dental had seen 1001 patients over the course of 1,313 visits. Also, 549 patients received care through the Access program, and 4 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 714 individuals. As of August 31, HCC had served 681 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. Due to Covid-19 they have been unable to do a DREAM event since March of 2020. As of September 2020, they were given permission to start the Dream program back up with a modified approach. Therefore, they will be creating and purchasing activity boxes to take to DREAM participants for them to do at home with their respite providers. 10 individuals are projected to partake in the DREAM program.

**SAPARS- Children's 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 interviews and family advocacy to 60-80 children and 40-50 caregivers. As of August 31, they have served 14 unduplicated children and 12 unduplicated non offending care providers. They have coordinated 5 mental health referrals, 3 medical referrals, 10 victim advocacy center referrals, and 1 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 600 households. To date, they have served 68 households. More households will be served between November and December.

**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 30 individuals through the funding period. With the current pandemic WMTS has served 2 individuals since March 2020. 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, Seniors Plus will provide nutritious meals that help maintain their health and independence in their homes. Their goal was to provide 3,346 home-delivered meals to 14 Franklin County residents. Within 6 months they reached their goal of 3,346 meals to 14 Franklin County residents. With additional funding from other organizations they were able to serve a total of 12,547 meals to 243 residents in Franklin County as of August 2020.

## **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 ensure effective client service delivery is meeting client needs based on client feedback, 50% of RCAM clients show positive progress towards their self-sufficiency goals, at least 20 Livermore or Livermore Falls residents increase their financial literacy with RCAM's "Your Money, Your Goals" training, and create stronger relationships with local partners. RCAM anticipated serving roughly 23 people. To date 42% of their clients made progress towards their goal, and 11 Livermore or Livermore Falls residents participated in the training "Your Money, Your Goals". RCAM has served a total of 19 individuals.

## **Literacy Volunteers**

Literacy Volunteers seeks to develop a substantial, sustainable tutoring program in Livermore Falls/Jay area. Literacy Volunteers project 790 people will be impacted with United Way funding by the end of the grant cycle. As of August 31, 392 individuals have been served in the year of Covid. With remote learning Literacy Volunteers on-boarded 20 learners to this platform of mobile learning, provided 48 books, and 8 writing kits to help supplement the learning.

## **Children's Center Early Intervention & Family Support**

Children's Center goal is for each child to have access to a device and software program that meets their specific needs in order to meet goals and objectives identified on their individual treatment plan. It is anticipated to serve approximately 12 children with United Funding in one year. Over the past six months, they have served 4 children with funding.

**Care and Share Food Closet, Inc.** The goal is to increase outreach to the community, increase proper storage space, and purchase more food from Good Shepherd Food Bank. Care and Share was able to purchase an enclosed trailer and predicts to serve 8,300 individuals by the end of the year. As of August 31, 3,615 individuals have been served from the Care and Share Food Closet with United Way funding.

## **Kennebec Behavioral Health**

Kennebec Behavioral Health strives to provide uninterrupted Outpatient Services to underinsured and uninsured adults and youth in Franklin County. Kennebec Behavioral Health expects to support 65 individuals in Outpatient Services who are uninsured or underinsured. From February 2020 through August 2020 51 clients have been supported in Outpatient and received 133 hours of therapy.