



2025 RECIPIENTS



FOUNDATION STATS

2025 RECIPIENT CATEGORIES

Affordable Housing
Animals
Art/Music
Child Care Services
Community Services
Educational Services
Healthcare Services
Seniors
Special Needs Assistance
Sports/Entertainment
Substance Abuse Support
Veterans

SINCE 2003

\$84,460	Average yearly total given	1,553	Applications
\$1,894	Average per organization given	1,007	Grants awarded
\$2,848,148	Total given		

2025 RECIPIENT TOWNS

New Hampshire	Manchester	Vermont	White River Junction
Charlestown	Marlow	Hartford	
Claremont	Meriden	North	Windsor
Cornish	Newport	Springfield	Woodstock
Lebanon	Warner	Springfield	

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Baby Steps Family Assistance

babystepsfam.org

Provides an operational network that sustains individuals and families by providing essential goods to those in need, free of charge. Their efforts include redistributing new and gently used clothing, diapers, formula, toiletries, and cleaning supplies. Grant funding will support the purchase of laundry cards, community center passes, and essential toiletries to assist families in need.

Best Buddies in New Hampshire

bestbuddies.org/newhampshire

creates opportunities for friendship, leadership, and inclusion for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Part of the global Best Buddies organization, the New Hampshire chapter offers eight programs that serve students and adults across the state, impacting more than 65,000 people. Grant funding will support the launch of two new school friendship chapters in Claremont and Sunapee.

Black River Innovation Campus

bricvt.org

Supports technology and entrepreneurship in the rural region, aiming to combat economic challenges since the decline of the machine tool industry in the 1980s. The grant will help renovate a downtown storefront in Springfield, VT, transforming it into a dynamic STEAM and entrepreneurship innovation hub.

Bugbee Senior Center

bugbeecenter.org

Serving older adults in the Upper Valley, Bugbee Senior Center offers meals, social services, wellness programs, and community activities tailored to individuals aged 60 and over. Based in Hartford, VT, the center supports residents from surrounding towns and beyond. Grant funding will support Locally Yours, a seasonal program that provides free locally grown produce to seniors.

Carter Community Building Association

joinccba.org

Welcomes children to its After School Drop-In Program, providing a safe and free environment for activities and academic support. With a focus on physical and

emotional growth, the program serves approximately 30 children in grades 3 through 6, many of whom come from low-income households. Funding will support their After School Program and provide scholarships for low-income families.

Catholic Charities New Hampshire d/b/a New Hampshire Food Bank

nhfoodbank.org

Alleviates hunger in the state of New Hampshire. With a mission to provide nutritious meals to those in need, the Food Bank serves as a vital resource for communities facing food insecurity. The grant will help purchase nutritious food, providing vital support to children in need across six communities.

Charlestown Area PTA

Unites parents, educators, and community members to enrich the lives of students from pre-K to 8th grade in the SAU 60 district. Through fundraising, they support health, education, and social development for children in Title I schools. Funds will be used to purchase a popcorn machine and ice maker for school concession events.

Children's Center of the Upper Valley

ccuv.org

The Children's Center of the Upper Valley provides high quality, affordable childcare to working families in the Upper Valley. The center supports children's cognitive, social, emotional, and physical development in a nurturing and inclusive environment. Grant funding will support the addition of natural outdoor materials including climbing logs, garden spaces, and sand areas to encourage exploration and sensory play.

Claremont Community Television, Inc.

claremonttv.org

Provides reliable, engaging public, educational, and governmental programming to Claremont citizens through local access cable (CCTV 8). Funding will support a series of three educational sessions to guide community members, municipal departments, and nonprofits, especially those with limited resources, in creating and recording effective Public Service Announcements.

Claremont Learning Partnership

clpnh.org

Increases educational access, attainment, and opportunity for all. The grant will sustain and expand the One-4-All Child Care Center's

Diaper and Food Project, ensuring every child receives essential nutrition and hygiene support without placing additional financial strain on families.

Claremont NH Historical Society

claremonthistory.org

The Claremont NH Historical Society preserves and promotes the city's history through educational programs, museum exhibits, and community events. This initiative will create engaging educational opportunities, host community contests, and support creative expression to deepen young people's connection to local history. Grant funds will cover speaker fees, programming, contests, and event costs.

Claremont Opera House, Inc.

cohnh.org

Builds community through diverse art experiences. Their vision is to have an inspired, engaged community in love with the arts. Funds will support the purchase of three 4K digital display kiosks.

Claremont Senior Center, Inc.

Serves senior citizens by providing educational, health, nutritional, artistic, social, and recreational opportunities, and resources.

Funding will be used to replace a small chest freezer with a reach-in freezer and to purchase a new refrigerator.

Claremont Soup Kitchen, Inc

claremontsoupkitchen.org

Provides assistance with dignity, respect, and compassion for all. They acquire and distribute food and essentials through programs and partner agencies. The grant will be used to replace the existing rooftop air conditioning system.

Community Dental Care of Claremont

communitydentalcareclaremont.org

Community Dental Care of Claremont is dedicated to enhancing oral health through education and accessible dental services for individuals and families. The grant will support the expansion by funding additional dental supplies and instruments.

Cornish Community Initiative

cornishci.org

Founded in 2019, the Cornish Community Initiative (CCI) supports projects that enhance the quality of life in Cornish, New Hampshire. CCI promotes programs in arts, education, public affairs, community development, historic preservation, environment, recreation,

and social services. This grant will fund the renovation of the former Cornish Store into a new library and community center.

COVER Home Repair, Inc.

coverhomerepair.org

COVER Home Repair fosters hope and builds community in the Upper Valley by bringing together volunteers and homeowners in fellowship and collaboration to complete urgently needed home repair projects. Funds will support the Ramps and Roofs Campaign, which raises money annually to provide critical home repairs for low-income households.

David's House

davids-house.org

Provides a home-away-from-home and support for families with children receiving treatment through Dartmouth Health Children's in Lebanon, NH. Funding will be used to relocate thermostat controls from floor level to shoulder height in guest rooms.

Dismas of Vermont

dismasvermont.org

Dismas House offers supportive transitional housing for formerly incarcerated individuals, fostering reconciliation through community living. Residents live alongside university

students and international volunteers in a family-like environment that encourages openness and shared decision-making. This grant will fund essential items for newcomers at the Hartford house, including clothing, hygiene supplies, bedding, and healthcare access.

First Congregational Church, Claremont

claremontfcc.org

First Congregational Church is a small but growing congregation, united by a commitment to respect, learning, and a welcoming community for all. The grant will support a new English language program for immigrant adults, addressing the lack of accessible, community-based ESL instruction.

Got Lunch! Newport

thesouthchurch.us/lunch.html

Reduces hunger in food insecure families with school-age children when school is not in session. GLN delivers bagged groceries once per week during regular school breaks. The grant will assist in purchasing essential food items. This support ensures ongoing assistance to families by providing groceries every other Monday throughout summer vacation and holidays.

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council

gcsc.org

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council provides programs and services that support the health, dignity, and independence of older adults and adults with disabilities in our communities. The grant will help replace the refrigeration unit at the Lebanon center kitchen to ensure food safety and maintain meal quality.

Greater Springfield VT Area Habitat for Humanity (GSVAHFH)

fovvtnh.org

An all-volunteer organization dedicated to helping qualified veterans and their families avoid homelessness and to provide financial support for other urgent basic needs. Funds will support GSVAHFH's two-year project, facilitating yard cleanup, house gutting, renovations, and essential infrastructure improvements to transform a neglected property into a safe, habitable home for a deserving family in the Springfield area.

Green Mountain Children's Center

greenmtchildrenscenter.org

A non-profit early care and education center dedicated to providing a safe and nurturing learning community for children aged six

weeks to five years. With a focus on fostering early literacy and science skills, they aim to instill a love of learning in every child. The grant will allow the addition of new enrichment programs at no additional cost to families.

Health Care and Rehabilitation Services of Southeastern Vermont (HCRS)

hcrs.org

Provides creative, collaborative, and compassionate health care services that are responsive to the needs of their communities. They envision a community where people are inspired, empowered, and supported to lead healthy and meaningful lives. Funds will establish the CSB Discretionary Fund, a flexible resource for case managers and care coordinators to help clients access essentials such as birth certificates, hygiene products, winter clothing, and medication co-pays.

HIKE for Mental Health

hikeformentalhealth.org

HIKE for Mental Health is an all-volunteer nonprofit that promotes the mental and physical benefits of hiking while raising funds to eliminate the stigma of mental illness, support mental health research, and conserve wilderness trails. Through events like their

annual Mt. Washington hike, they inspire community engagement and wellness. Grant funds will cover the cost of a Cog Railway car, making the event accessible to participants unable to make the physical climb and ensuring inclusivity in their largest yearly event.

Hometown Hero Outdoors

hometownherooutdoors.org

Provides law enforcement officers, military service members, and military veterans with outdoor opportunities to assist in healing and building healthy relationships within the community. Funding will support maintenance of the equipment trailer, including tires, lighting, generator upkeep, and other essential items such as portable coolers, picnic tables, and camp chairs.

JAM Junction Arts & Media

uvjam.org

JAM Junction Arts & Media is a nonprofit serving Hartford, Hartland, Norwich (VT), and Hanover and Lebanon (NH), providing community access to local media, government transparency, and artistic expression. Grant funds will support the production and presentation of the 21st annual White River Indie Film Festival (WRIF 2026).

Kroka Expeditions

kroka.org

Kroka Expeditions is a nonprofit wilderness expedition school and organic farm in Marlow, NH, fostering connection to nature and community. In partnership with TC's Pantry, Kroka offers the 2nd Annual Claremont Cooking and Climbing program, a week-long summer experience for 8 students aged 15–19 that combines hands-on cooking, local business tours, and hiking safety lessons. Grant funds will help ensure the program is accessible to youth from all income levels.

Library Arts Center of Richards Free Library

libraryartscenter.org

Develops and sustains a vibrant, inclusive, and highly visible arts community through enriching events, accessible educational experiences, and creative placemaking initiatives designed to engage participants from all sectors of the community. Funds will support the continuation and expansion of free community arts initiatives, including a family-friendly performance series, drop-in art projects, art activities at the Newport Farmers' Market, and monthly take-home art kits.

LISTEN Community Services

listencs.org

LISTEN supports individuals and families in the Upper Valley striving for independence by addressing critical needs, including food insecurity. Their Food Pantry in Lebanon, NH, and Community Dining Hall in White River Junction, VT, serve many neighbors, but food donations alone don't meet demand. This grant will help LISTEN purchase essential food items to ensure they can respond to every community member seeking assistance amid increasing need.

Meriden Community Camp

meridenucc.org

Offers a safe and enriching summer experience for children aged three to twelve in Plainfield/Cornish, NH. The camp also provides affordable lodging, educational activities, and a supportive environment for families regardless of socioeconomic status. The grant will provide scholarships so that all children can attend camp, regardless of their family's financial situation.

Newport Montessori School

newportmontessori.org

Provides nurturing, high-quality Montessori education for children aged 2.5 - 14.

Established in 2010, their Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) aims to support families facing financial challenges, enabling them to access the school's educational offerings. Grant funds from the Claremont Savings Bank Foundation will contribute to used towards bringing the Nature On Wheels (NOW) program to students.

Newport NH Historical Society

newportnhhistory.org

The Newport Historical Society preserves and shares the history of New Hampshire and Sullivan County through collections, education, research, and public programs. Their popular "Magical History Tour," now in its fourth year, offers a unique experience with historic photos displayed on Chromebooks. This grant will help the Society replace aging computers to continue providing this fully booked tour.

NH Jump\$tart Coalition

nhjumpstart.org

NH Jump\$tart Coalition is a volunteer nonprofit dedicated to advancing youth financial literacy and equity throughout New Hampshire. Their "I Can Save!" program teaches over 1,400 second graders annually about spending, saving, and sharing, encouraging children to develop lifelong

savings habits. Grant funds will support this program by providing educational materials and expanding outreach to reach more students across the state.

Northern Stage Company

northernstage.org

Northern Stage is a professional theater company in White River Junction, VT, dedicated to changing lives through storytelling. Serving over 50,000 community members annually, Northern Stage produces world-class theater, educational programs, and new works. Grant funds will support the development and production of their plays, workshops, rehearsals, and performances expected to reach more than 7,000 audience members.

On Solid Ground

On Solid Ground empowers young adults by providing safe, stable, and supportive transitional housing, helping them build the skills and confidence needed to thrive. Funding will support the development of a new transitional living facility in Charlestown, NH, designed for youth aging out of foster care or at risk of homelessness in Sullivan County.

Our Town Paper

Under the Charlestown Economic Development Association, Our Town is a volunteer-run newspaper serving the greater Charlestown community by keeping residents informed about local events, services, and issues. Funding will support the purchase of new laptops and updated software, replacing outdated equipment.

Pathways of The River Valley

pathwaysnh.org

Enriches the lives of individuals with disabilities by fostering community integration and providing meaningful opportunities for growth. With a focus on partnership and respect, Pathways works alongside clients and their families to create a desired future within their own communities. The grant will support a kitchen remodel that enhances accessibility and fosters independence for residents by improving both the physical space and emotional well-being.

Project Red & Blue / Claremont Police Department

Project Red & Blue empowers incoming sixth-grade students through a summer camp focused on academic enrichment, leadership development, and community

engagement. Funding will support the camp's three-part program: Academic, Adventure, and Community Service. This includes a new STEM component and a "Healthy Bodies, Healthy Choices" unit that promotes positive peer interaction, decision-making, and mental wellness. The camp is driven by donations and community support, building a foundation for compassionate, confident youth leaders.

Richards School PTO

sau43.org/o/rs

Enhances and supports the educational and teaching experience by developing a closer connection between school and home. They work to improve the environment at their school through volunteer and financial assistance. Grant funds will support Project R.A.B.B.I.T. (Read A Book Because It's Terrific), a long-running literacy program that provides each student and teacher at Richards Elementary with at least two new books annually.

Rogue Robots of 4H

facebook.com/roguerobotsof4h/

Provides a safe, respectful, and fun environment where members can learn and practically apply problem-solving, mathematics, technology, teamwork, life, and

other skills. Funds will be used to purchase laptops that enable students to participate in competitions such as the First Lego League, RECF Aerial Drone Competition, and SeaPerch.

Second Growth

secondgrowth.org

Second Growth is a nonprofit behavioral health organization based in the Upper Valley that provides clinical counseling, prevention education, and youth development programs. Grant funding will support free registration and operations for two weeks of summer camp in Claremont NH, and Hartford and Bethel VT, ensuring cost and transportation are not barriers to participation.

Senior Solutions

seniorsolutionsvt.org

Senior Solutions supports older adults across southeastern Vermont by coordinating home-delivered and congregate meal programs in partnership with Meals on Wheels, Green Mountain RSVP, local providers, and more than 50 volunteers. Grant funding will help cover the costs of delivering and maintaining these vital meal programs.

Silsby Free Public Library

silsbyfpl.org

Facilitates learning, self-education, and recreation for the whole community. The library has a special mission to encourage children to become lifelong readers. Funds will be used to upgrade the outdoor space with new games, toys, garden features, and seating to enhance community engagement.

Springfield Area Parent Child Center

sapcc-vt.org

Builds bridges of support for children, families, and caregivers by fostering relationships, establishing a culture of learning, and engaging in community collaborations to shape opportunities for the world around us. This grant will contribute to SAPCC's efforts by ensuring free access to their programs.

Springfield Family Center

springfieldfamilycenter.com

Helps and fosters hope for individuals and families in the communities of Springfield. This grant will support SFC's ongoing efforts to combat food insecurity by strengthening their food shelf and meals programs.

Springfield Humane Society Inc

spfldhumane.org

Supports the well-being of animals through protection, compassionate care, and adoption services. They advocate for responsible pet ownership and educate the public about the importance of preventing cruelty to animals. The grant will support the "Spay the Mom" program, which provides essential care and vaccinations for dogs and cats to reduce overpopulation.

Springfield Medical Care Systems dba**North Star Health**

northstarfqc.org

North Star Health is a federally qualified health center serving communities across southern Vermont and southwestern New Hampshire. Committed to accessible, comprehensive care, North Star provides medical, dental, behavioral health, and vision services to patients of all ages, regardless of insurance status or ability to pay. Grant funding will support the enhancement of the Springfield Health Center by outfitting rooms to better accommodate individuals with physical disabilities and mobility challenges, improving access and comfort for all patients.

Springfield Supported Housing Program

sshpvt.org

Springfield Supported Housing Program helps individuals and families secure safe, stable housing through case management and community resources. Grant funding will provide "Welcome Baskets" with essentials like utensils, bedding, hygiene products, and cleaning supplies, plus age-appropriate items for children.

Springfield Telescope Makers

stellafane.org

The Springfield Telescope Makers aim to inspire interest in astronomy and related sciences by preserving and promoting amateur telescope making skills. Grant funding will support the production of a full-length documentary highlighting the organization's century-long contributions to astronomy, optics, U.S. defense, and space technology.

Stevens High School – SALT Program

sites.google.com/view/stevenssalt

The Student Athlete Leadership Team (S.A.L.T.) empowers student-athletes to excel on and off the field through leadership development, teamwork, and community involvement. Grant funding will support the annual Futsal League, a new NFL Flag Football program, essential

sports equipment, and an end-of-year trip for the top 10 members with the most community service hours.

Sugar River Valley Regional Technical Center

srvrtc.sau6.org/o/srvrtc

Sugar River Valley Regional Technical Center, in partnership with Stevens High School, is dedicated to fostering excellence in learning and supporting holistic student development in a growth-oriented environment. The grant funds were used to launch the SRVRTC Pop-Up Store, an innovative component of the Entrepreneurship program that provides students with hands-on experience in business operations.

Sullivan County Humane Society

sullivancountyhumanesociety.org

Enhances the lives of animals in the Sullivan County by tackling issues like overpopulation, abandonment, and neglect. Funds will support two programs, Fix the Mom and Shaina's Safe Haven, which are designed to help pet owners keep their animals by providing temporary fostering and veterinary support during times of crisis.

Sustainable Woodstock

sustainablewoodstock.org

A nonprofit organization dedicated to environmental action and education, building upon Woodstock's heritage as a pioneer in the conservation movement. Their mission is to guide communities through climate emergency, fostering sustainability through advocacy, education, and collaboration. The grant will support the annual Window Dressers build, providing free insulating window inserts to low-income households to improve energy efficiency.

The Old Fort No 4 Associates, Inc DBA The Fort at No 4

fortat4.org

The Fort at No. 4 is an open-air museum located in Charlestown, NH, dedicated to engaging visitors with the rich history of the Connecticut River Valley. Through dynamic and interactive programming, preservation efforts, and community outreach, they aim to foster a deeper understanding of the past to build stronger communities. Grant funds were used to support a critical project enhancing the visitor experience by renovating aging bathroom facilities to make them ADA accessible.

Therapeutic Works Inc.

therapeuticworksinc.org

Therapeutic WORKS Inc. (TWI) in Vermont empowers individuals navigating the criminal and family court systems by providing compassionate mental health and substance use counseling, therapeutic case management, and fostering strong community and judicial partnerships. The grant funded the expansion of trauma-informed therapeutic case management services, addressing critical service gaps for individuals involved in the criminal legal system.

Town of Charlestown Recreation Department

charlestown-nh.gov

The Town of Charlestown Recreation Department strives to provide a fun, enthusiastic, and confidence-boosting environment for the community, focusing primarily on youth while also offering learning opportunities for adults. Grant funds will be used to improve Patch Park's baseball and softball fields, which had not received proper maintenance or new materials for many years.

Turning Points Network

turningpointsnetwork.org

Enhances the safety and well-being of victims and survivors of domestic and sexual abuse and stalking through empowerment and advocacy; to create a community responsive to all victims and survivors through education, outreach, and accountability; and to empower the community to establish a safer culture. Funds will provide emergency essentials such as food, transportation, and communication for survivors during their first month of recovery.

TwinState MakerSpaces, Inc.

claremontmakerspace.org

Promotes education and practice in crafts, trades, and technologies. Through accessible workshops, public classes, and community events, they aim to increase awareness and skills in these areas. The grant will support energy efficiency improvements at the Claremont MakerSpace through the installation of commercial-grade rolling blinds that reduce summer heat and winter heat loss.

Vital Communities

vitalcommunities.org

Vital Communities works to create equitable solutions in the Upper Valley, focusing on

housing, transportation, climate, food access, and economic resilience. Grant funds will support the “E-Bikes Everywhere!” initiative, expanding e-bike access and infrastructure from Windsor County into Sullivan and Grafton Counties to promote affordable, accessible, and sustainable transportation.

Wags N Wiggles Rescue

wagsnwiggles.org

Wags N Wiggles Rescue is dedicated to finding loving forever homes for stray and mistreated dogs. The organization promotes animal welfare awareness, humane treatment, and encourages veterinary care, including spay and neuter initiatives. The grant will fund essential improvements to their facility, including enhanced safety barriers between kennels and repairs to worn walls, trim, and flooring.

West Central Behavioral Health - Youth CAN

wcbh.org

Prevents youth substance misuse by building strong and diverse partnerships in their community and working collectively to increase protective factors among youth, families, and organizations. Funding will support their Children’s Program across offices in Newport, Claremont, and Lebanon,

helping to meet basic client needs like laundry assistance, car maintenance, and access to recreational opportunities.

West Claremont Center for Music & Arts

wcc-ma.org

The West Claremont Center for Music and the Arts (WCCMA) enriches the community by providing professional music and arts experiences, accessible education, and diverse performances to Claremont, NH and the surrounding Upper Valley region. The grant supports WCCMA’s Youth Arts Enrichment (YAE) Initiative, helping expand visual arts programming with comic artist Wayne Carter and launching new music education offerings, including a rock band ensemble and a community choir.

WISE

wiseuv.org

Leads the Upper Valley to end violence through survivor-centered advocacy, prevention, and education. Their Housing Program provides safe and confidential living arrangements for survivors and their children who are fleeing violence or experiencing homelessness. Grant funds will support WISE’s Housing Program.

COMMUNITY COMMITMENT

Since 2003, our Claremont Savings Bank Foundation has awarded grants totaling more than \$2,848,1400 to local non-profit organizations for a wide range of charitable initiatives. These grants, which typically range from \$500 to \$5,000, help to ensure the success of local programs and projects that benefit all of us as members of the community.

Each year we award grants to help ensure the success of charitable programs and projects dedicated to the betterment of the communities we serve.



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