



November 5, 2019

Bennington Selectmen
c/o Michelle Johnson
205 South St.
Bennington, VT 05201

Dear Selectmen,

This is a request from the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging for \$7,500.00 in funding in your FY '21 budget. This is the same level of funding we requested and received last year. If approved, this funding will be used to help support the work we do on behalf of Bennington elders.

The enclosed document provides a brief description of the services the Council on Aging provided to older Vermonters in your community over the last year and is designed for use in your town report. Please contact me if you have any questions about any of this information.

I would be glad to arrange for a representative from our agency to appear at any meeting set to discuss this request.

We sincerely appreciate the past support that we have received from the town of Bennington, and we hope that we can, once again, count on support from your community.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

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Report to the Citizens of Bennington

This report describes the services that the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging (SVCOA) provided to elders in Bennington in 2019:

Senior Meals:

The Council helped provide 18,056 meals that were delivered to the homes of 129 elders in your community. This service is often called "Meals on Wheels". In addition, 222 Bennington elders came together at a luncheon site in your area to enjoy a nutritious meal and the company of others; 10,961 meals were provided.

Case Management Assistance:

SVCOA case management and outreach staff helped 370 elders in your community for a total of 3054.25 hours. Case managers meet with an elder privately in the elder's home or at another agreed upon location and assess the elder's situation. They will work with the elder to identify needs and talk about possible services available to address those needs. If the elder desires, the case manager will link the client to appropriate services, coordinate and monitor services as necessary, and provide information and assistance to caregivers. Case managers also help elders connect with in-home assistance programs, including a program called Choices for Care. This program is especially helpful to frail elders facing long term care placement who still wish to remain at home.

Other Services and Support:

1) "Senior HelpLine" assistance at 1-800-642-5119. Our Senior HelpLine staff provide telephone support to elders and others who need information on available programs and community resources; 2) Medicare and health benefit counseling information and assistance through our State Health Insurance Program; 3) Legal service assistance through the Vermont Senior Citizens Law Project; 4) Information about elder issues and opportunities via various agency articles and publications; 5) Nutrition education and counseling services provided by SVCOA's Registered Dietician; 6) Senior Companion support for frail, homebound elders; 7) Outreach services to elders dealing with mental health issues through our Elder Care Clinician. This service is provided in cooperation with Rutland County Mental Health; 8) Transportation assistance; 9) Caregiver support, information and respite to family members and others who are providing much needed help to elders in need of assistance; 10) Money Management programs that offer either a volunteer bill payer or representative payee services to elders and younger disabled individuals.

| Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging, Inc. | |
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| Preliminary Statement of Financial Position | |
| 9/30/2019 | |
| ASSETS | |
| Current Assets | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 562,781 |
| Certificates of Deposit | \$ 453,799 |
| Grants Receivable | 96,812 |
| Prepaid and Deposits | 23,603 |
| Total current assets | 1,136,995 |
| Land | 50,000 |
| Building | 1,068,279 |
| Furniture and equipment, net | 16,967 |
| Accumulated Depreciation | (115,521) |
| Total assets | \$ 2,156,719 |
| LIABILITIES | |
| Current Liabilities | |
| Accounts Payable | \$ 291,794 |
| Accrued payroll | 59,207 |
| Accrued vacation | 123,529 |
| Unobligated Funds | 370,426 |
| Total Liabilities | \$ 844,956 |
| NET ASSETS | |
| Furniture and Equipment | 16,672 |
| Undesignated net assets | \$ 1,255,336 |
| Temporarily restricted | 25,069 |
| Permanently restricted | 14,686 |
| Total net assets | 1,311,763 |
| Total liabilities and net assets | \$ 2,156,719 |

| FY 2019 Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging (Preliminary) | | | |
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| September 30, 2019 | | | |
| | | 19 Budget | Actual 9/30/19 |
| Revenue | | | |
| 1 | Older Americans Act | \$ 960,002 | \$ 939,469 |
| 2 | Senior Companion | \$ 12,758 | \$ 9,700 |
| 3 | Nutr Services Incentive Program | \$ 155,385 | \$ 155,783 |
| 4 | DCF Outreach Grants | \$ 144,713 | \$ 144,713 |
| 5 | State Health Insurance Program | \$ 33,695 | \$ 33,695 |
| 6 | Medicare Outreach | \$ 23,561 | \$ 23,561 |
| 7 | Medicaid Choices for Care Case Managemen | \$ 528,000 | \$ 543,112 |
| 8 | Medicaid Choices for Care Reimbursement | \$ 101,500 | \$ 84,490 |
| 9 | One Care | \$ 121,176 | \$ 123,485 |
| 11 | Retired Senior Volunteer Program - Federal | \$ 174,900 | \$ 174,400 |
| 12 | Self-neglect grant | \$ 53,000 | \$ 53,000 |
| 13 | General Fund | \$ 1,059,201 | \$ 940,200 |
| 14 | Retired Senior Volunteer Program - State | \$ 36,830 | \$ 37,000 |
| 15 | Direct Services Grants | \$ 124,945 | \$ 96,004 |
| 17 | Participant Contributions | \$ 107,740 | \$ 95,354 |
| 18 | Town Funds (GMRSVP & SVCOA) | \$ 94,698 | \$ 79,456 |
| 19 | Comm Donation | \$ 10,000 | \$ 15,359 |
| 20 | United Way | \$ 50,000 | \$ 63,490 |
| 21 | Other (vip, rep payee, eff Vt, int) | \$ 85,712 | \$ 102,109 |
| | Total Revenue | \$ 3,877,816 | \$ 3,714,380 |
| Expenses | | | |
| 22 | Personnel and Fringe | \$ 1,948,419 | \$ 1,864,546 |
| 23 | Contract Services | \$ 1,382,622 | \$ 1,314,650 |
| 24 | Travel and Training | \$ 65,250 | \$ 76,718 |
| 25 | Supplies, Equipment and Other Operating | \$ 264,847 | \$ 222,446 |
| 26 | Rent/Util. | \$ 123,680 | \$ 129,832 |
| 27 | Tel./Post. | \$ 34,588 | \$ 32,879 |
| 28 | Insurance | \$ 18,895 | \$ 22,558 |
| | Total Expenses | \$ 3,838,301 | \$ 3,663,629 |
| | Gain (Loss) | \$ 39,514 | \$ 50,751 |

| FY 2020 Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging Proposed Budget | |
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| Revenue | |
| Older Americans Act | \$ 1,190,301 |
| Senior Companion | \$ 12,758 |
| Nutrition Services Incentive Program | \$ 149,398 |
| DCF Outreach Grants | \$ 171,238 |
| State Health Insurance Program | \$ 33,695 |
| Medicare Outreach | \$ 23,561 |
| Medicaid Choices for Care | \$ 444,000 |
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| Retired Senior Volunteer Prgm - Federal | \$ 174,900 |
| Self-neglect grant | \$ 53,000 |
| General Fund | \$ 836,028 |
| Retired Senior Volunteer Prgm - State | \$ 37,774 |
| Direct Services Grants | \$ 124,946 |
| Aging and Disability Resource Grant | \$ - |
| One Care | \$ 83,790 |
| Participant Contributions | \$ 100,001 |
| Town Funds (GMRSVP & SVCOA) | \$ 94,698 |
| Comm Donation | \$ 10,000 |
| United Way | \$ 50,000 |
| Other (VIP, rep payee, eff Vt, int) | \$ 86,520 |
| Total Revenue | \$ 3,778,108 |
| | |
| Expenses | |
| Personnel and Fringe | \$ 1,973,767 |
| Contract Services | \$ 1,294,046 |
| Travel and Training | \$ 74,250 |
| Supplies, Equipment and Other Operating | \$ 256,448 |
| Rent/Util. | \$ 126,114 |
| Tel./Post. | \$ 34,588 |
| Insurance | \$ 18,895 |
| Total Expenses | \$ 3,778,108 |
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| Gain (Loss) | \$ - |

SVCOA Town Request Results: 2020

| Town | Request Amount | Town | Request Amount |
|--------------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|
| Arlington | 1,530 | Rutland Town | 1,500 |
| Bennington | 7,500 | Sandgate | 600 |
| Benson | 900 | Shaftsbury | 1,100 |
| Brandon | 2,400 | Shrewsbury | 700 |
| Castleton | 2,000 | Stamford | 700 |
| Chittenden | 600 | Sudbury | 250 |
| Clarendon | 1,300 | Sunderland | 700 |
| Danby | 1,000 | Timmouth | 300 |
| Dorset | 1,600 | Wallingford | 500 |
| Fair Haven | 1,800 | Wells | 1,000 |
| Hubbardton | 0 | West Haven | 300 |
| Ira | 300 | West Rutland | 1,500 |
| Killington | 800 | Woodford | 250 |
| Manchester | 0 | | |
| Mendon | 600 | | |
| Middletown Springs | 750 | | |
| Mount Holly | 400 | | |
| Mount Tabor | 250 | | |
| Pawlet | 500 | | |
| Peru | 200 | | |
| Pittsford | 1,100 | | |
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