

The Social Services Warrant Article Committee makes the following recommendations for inclusion in the 2023 Social Services Warrant:

Agency	Description	Amount of Award
ARCNH - Addiction Recovery Coalition of NH	Funding will provide Veteran Peer Support Specialists and program costs to implement Veterans Recover Program. Based in Milford, ARC NH provides substance use disorder support and mental health awareness for the Souhegan Valley.	\$1,500
Boys & Girls Club of Souhegan Valley	Funding will provide roughly 5 afterschool or 2.5 summer program scholarships for at risk school age Milford kids.	\$5,000
Bridges	Funding will be used in the Milford office to provide 24-hour crisis intervention, shelter, support groups, in-person counseling, education, and court advocacy services to victims and survivors of domestic and sexual violence. Bridges served 200 Milford residents.	\$3,000
Community Action for Safe Teens - CAST	CAST'S programming supports behavioral health needs in teens, before they get to a crisis level. These funds will be used toward the purchase of Mentor Training materials.	\$1,500
Granite State Children's Alliance – Child Advocacy Center (CAC)	The Nashua CAC provides an essential service to child abuse victims and their caregivers. These funds will directly support Forensic Interviewing and Family Support Services. 26 Milford residents were served in 2022.	\$2,000
Greater Nashua Mental Health Center (GNMHC)	GNMHC is the designated community behavioral health center for southern Hillsborough County. Last year 325 Milford residents participated in their various programs, many referred by the Welfare Office.	\$8,500
Lamprey Health Care	Lamprey Health Care mobile health van is at the Share Center once a week. Funds received will be applied to uncompensated care. 78 residents/ 356 visits in 2022.	\$2,500
Meals on Wheels	Meals on Wheels provide a nutritious meal, a visit from a driver trained in emergency procedures and information pertinent to the population served, and access to additional community resources. 96 Milford residents were served in 2022.	\$5,000
Share Outreach	SHARE works to ensure that low income residents of Milford are housed, fed and do not suffer from lack of heat, medicine, electricity, and other basic necessities.	\$11,000
Total		\$40,000

The Committee began meeting in October to evaluate and refine the application process, and then to review completed applications. This year 13 applications were received and the Committee recommends funding 9 agencies. Priority is given to those agencies who are based in Milford, and/or who work to provide housing and housing services, support for at risk youth or the elderly, or address mental health and substance use disorder needs.