

**Cape and Islands United Way
Community Investment Committee
Grants for
2011**

Aging and Vulnerable Population

Vineyard Healthcare Access Program

Program Description: The Prescription Medication Assistance Program provides insurance counseling, enrollment services and emergency financial assistance for prescription medication for vulnerable, medically underserved residents of Martha's Vineyard including the elderly and disabled.

Helping Our Women

Program Description: Helping Our Women provides services to women who have been diagnosed with chronic, life threatening or disabling illnesses from Eastham to Provincetown. Core programs include transportation to medical appointments and two weekly support groups plus the financial assistance program which provides monthly assistance for 92-105 low-income clients per month.

Gosnold

Program Description: This program is designed to better equip medical staff with the tools to effectively assess and intervene in the early stages of withdrawal from drug and alcohol addiction thus improving their ability to treat addicted patients and prevent major withdrawal complications.

American Red Cross

Program Description: The number of trained volunteers and disaster relief support materials on the islands of Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket has not yet reached their desired level of readiness. This funding will go toward acquiring support materials and providing volunteer training programs to help reach the desired level of readiness on the Islands.

Habitat for Humanity

Program Description: A grant to underwrite the reinvigorated home repair ministry. The home repairs ministry program is moving in a direction that is aligned with Habitat International's.

Vineyard Nursing

Program Description: A formal medication management program for seniors living on Martha's Vineyard will be formed. The program is being created in response to growing incidents of illness and hospitalization due to medication mismanagement.

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Community Action Committee of Cape Cod

Program Description: A “Job Preparation Program” for homeless young adults, or those facing homelessness, will be offered at CACCI’s Pilot House Shelter as a joint venture between CACCI and Duffy Health Center. This new program, which includes training for job readiness skills, identification and development of marketable job skills, and job placement support services, will be specifically developed for young adults.

Alzheimer’s Services of Cape Cod & the Islands, Inc

Program Description: A grant to support the Family Caregiver Support and Outreach Program that will maintain the great progress and reach of this program that has proven success in increasing our client reach and reducing the stress for family caregivers.

Island Elderly Housing

Program Description: The Community Meals Program at IEH is designed to support social opportunities and nutrition through congregate meals for residents at IEH.

Dream Day on Cape Cod

Program Description: Cape & Islands Family Dream Days Week is a day camp program for Cape & Islands families who have a child with a life-threatening condition and/or serious illness. Dream Day strives to provide the space and place for this vulnerable population to have joy and reconnect.

Cape Cod Council of Churches

Program Description: Street Outreach Program. This grant is to support the Council’s field program staff. The program is responsible to serve homeless individuals who are deemed “chronically at-risk” within Hyannis. For 2011, an estimated 338 individuals will benefit. The program also responds to the needs of homeless individuals in other Cape towns when an individual is identified.

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Sustaining and Supporting Families

Family Pantry

Program Description: The Family Pantry has only one project and that is food. The pantry has two programs. Through an Online Food Stamp Program, pantry volunteers work with our clients to apply for food stamps. The second program is Fuel Assistance. The requested funding is to support these two programs

WE CAN

Program Description: This grant request is to for Cape-wide support for women and their families. WE CAN supports women across the lifespan as they navigate the many challenging transitions in life—be it a divorce, loss of a loved one, job loss, need for housing or serious illness.

St. Vincent DePaul Society

Program Description: The program is designed to help individuals and families struggling to meet their rent/mortgage payments given the present economic situation. In 2009 SVDP provided \$65,433 in rent/mortgage payments to 224 Cape families.

Boys & Girls Club of Cape Cod

Program Description: The Triple Play Health & Fitness program, along with our Education Program, is the main focus of everything that we do and provides many benefits to our kids. The programs serve 116 kids.

Community Health Care of Cape Cod

Program Description: The CHCCC provides primary care, mental health services and dental care through the School Based Health Center at Barnstable High School. This grant request is to support this program.

Bourne Food Pantry

Program Description: As the designated Human Services Agency for the Town of Bourne, the Bourne COA receives no extra staff or money. This includes the running of the Bourne Friends Food Pantry. The Pantry's dedicated corps of 50+ volunteers, supervised by the Pantry Coordinator, is responsible for the 250-300 families served monthly. To meet those needs, a Volunteer Coordinator is a necessity. The Coordinator will support the Pantry Coordinator and allow the Pantry to continue to operate efficiently.

Cape Cod Times Needy Fund

Program Description: The Needy Fund proposes a social safety net program for Cape Cod families with a minimum of one dependent under 18. This safety net is envisioned as a multi-level assistance program. This funding request is to allow us to continue to provide this service effectively.

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The Nantucket Rental Assistance Program

Program Description: The program is designed to prevent both homelessness and substandard living conditions by assisting moderate and low income Nantucket families to 1) pay the first and/or last month's rent so that a family can move into a stable year-round rental unit, 2) provide a monthly subsidy to cut the family's cost of housing; or 3) pay a substantial part of the rent or back rent for a limited period to avoid eviction or homelessness.

Independence House

Program Description: The Community Based/Housing Stabilization Program supports victims of DV who face increased risk of homelessness due to poverty, lack of affordable housing and unemployment. This program addresses the intersection between domestic violence, economic self-sufficiency and access to housing.

Interfaith Homeless Prevention Council

Program Description: The Homeless Prevention Council Case Managers successfully assisted 856 children from 507 families on the lower/outer Cape keeping them from crisis, displacement and instability. These families were stabilized through a process of financial examination of the family's resources. To continue this efficient and successful early identification program in 2011, and counteract the losses of resources, grant funds are needed to support homeless prevention until additional resources can be developed within a one year plan to sustain the program.

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Nurturing and Protecting Children and Youth

Sight Loss

Program Description: This grant request is to expand our Visually Impaired Children's Resource Center (VICRC) to include more resources for pre-school children.

Duffy Health Center

Program Description: Duffy's services have expanded to meet the needs of the disproportionate rate of homelessness among LGBT (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender) youth. This grant will expand a pilot project to reduce the health disparities in this population by 1) providing onsite mental health services at the Cape & Islands Gay & Straight Youth Alliance and 2) improving the delivery of primary care and other services through cultural competency training to Duffy and other community health center staff.

A Baby Center

Program Description: This grant request is to expand our safety initiatives beyond the Car Seat Safety Program. We hope to expand our initiatives with a Crib Loaner Program. The Crib Loaner Program will help keep babies safe in their sleep all over the Cape and Islands.

Child & Family Services of Cape Cod

Program Description: The Cape Net program provides therapy and support to help children and their (non-offending) family members work through this extremely difficult time in their lives and begin the healing process.

YMCA of Cape Cod

Program Description: *High Flight* is a Delinquency Prevention and Intervention Program for teens with a focus on both adventure-based counseling and group activities for "at risk" youth. The afterschool program provides a forum for these youth to learn more about themselves, their interactions and relationships within a group, and the opportunity to develop behavior management and conflict resolution skills to achieve success.

Falmouth Service Center

Program Description: This grant request is to allow more fresh vegetables and eggs throughout 2011 to support the growing number of households in need of food. The bulk of food received from Greater Boston Food Bank is canned and less nutritious.

Housing Assistance Corporation (HAC)

Program Description: Among the homeless, children ages 6 months to 2.9 years born to substance-abusing mothers are the most vulnerable and constitute the target population for the program, a Therapeutic Day Care Program.

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Big Brothers Big Sisters of Cape Cod and the Islands

Program Description: This grant request is in support of our School-Based Mentoring program. Independent research has proven that children with Big Brothers and Big Sisters are more likely to finish school, avoid risky behavior and become positive contributors to their communities.

Boys & Girls Club of Cape Cod

Program Description: The program is run in 2 locations and includes fitness, nutrition and health components to battle childhood obesity, a new literacy component and a new career prep & junior staff unit to help children & teens understand the connection between school and work.

Cape Cod Challenger Club, Inc

Program Description: The Cape Cod Challenger Club programs are designed to allow boys and girls with developmental disabilities an opportunity to play. The Barnstable School Committee has approved space in the Osterville Elementary School to allow for the year-round activities. This grant request is to support renovations required to make the school accessible for people with disabilities.

