

A SAFE PLACE

A Safe Place is a non-profit 501C3 agency that was formed in 1978 as a response to domestic abuse. The mission of A Safe Place is to break the cycle of domestic abuse by providing crisis intervention, support services, education and advocacy to survivors, their families and the community. In the past 12 months A Safe Place has served a total of 1,329 residents of Strafford and Rockingham County as well as a few people referred to us from other areas. We served 7 residents of Newton with 97 service units (15 minute units) and housed 1 Newton resident in our shelter. The cost to the agency of this service is \$30 per service unit and \$150 per bed night for the shelter.

The past year has been one of re-assessing all of our policies and procedures in order to ensure focus on our mission as well as to guarantee a safe and supportive experience to those in need of our services. We have also begun to re-evaluate our fundraising methods in an effort to be ready to serve and educate anyone who requests our service.

In the past year we served several immigrant women and their families who found themselves in dire straights in an unknown environment. One of those served was highlighted in the national news. It was especially gratifying to find that the local communities as well as the immigrant community across the country were willing to step in and help. We received a large number of donations designated specifically for assistance to that family.

Without the assistance of towns such as Newton we would be unable to continue to serve those in need of our support through way. We also rely on communities such as yours to take advantage of the educational programs we offer in order to stop the cycle. Your financial assistance remains crucial and we are grateful for the willingness of Newton to do their part in the past, we will be there as long as you are and towns like yours are there for us.

Respectfully submitted,
Michelle Colgan, Finance Manager

AREA HOMECARE & FAMILY SERVICES, INC.

For over 33 years, Area HomeCare & Family Services has been providing home care services to Newton elderly and people with disabilities. In our fiscal year 2005, we served 26 elderly Newton residents with 1,900 hours of direct service. Your Town contribution of \$3,800 is an important part of our fundraising effort.

Our mission is simple: To provide non-medical in home services to the elderly of Newton to help them stay in their homes for as long as possible. Additionally, we have a program we call ***Project CoolAir*** - a project we started to buy air conditioners for low-income, needy elderly. If you know an elderly person who needs an air conditioner – please call us and we will provide the air conditioner. We look forward to a continued working partnership with the Town of Newton.

Respectfully submitted,
Gordon McCollester, CEO

DRUGS ARE DANGEROUS, INC.

D.A.D. Inc. (Drugs Are Dangerous) is looking for your support of \$2,000 to continue the work we do in the Sanborn Regional School District to help with anti-drug information and Natural High or Drug-Free activities.

We provide additional support for Red Ribbon Week to all the schools. We hold an annual free bingo night for middle school students. We hold free roller skating parties for students and their families. We hold the annual family Natural High Day at Camp Lincoln. We help organize and support parenting classes, Project Stand by Me and Project Safeguard. The eighth graders are provided with a trip to Water Country at a significant reduction in price. We also provide a donation to the “after prom night”.

We have the additional expense of insurance, which has tripled since our beginning. The voters of Kingston and Newton have banded together financially to meet our expenses. We have no paid staff. There is no reimbursement for travel or phone calls. We appreciate your continued support!

Respectfully submitted,
Kristy A. Lacroix
President

FAMILY MEDIATION & JUVENILE SERVICES

2005 was an exciting year for our agency. We provided services to 1,279 youth and parents from the Towns of Atkinson, Danville, Hampstead, Kingston, Newton, Plaistow and Salem, NH. The Town of Newton had 64 residents involved with our programming.

Grant money received from the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation made the establishment of an agency website possible. Please visit us at www.fmjs.org to learn more about the programs and services we have to offer, at low or not cost, to residents and their families in need of support. Funding was also received from the above towns, Heritage United Way, the Rockingham County Incentive Funds and private donations.

Other 2005 activities include:

- The adult segment of the TLC (Anger Management) and Challenge (Drug and Alcohol) programs increased by 35%;
- Referrals to the agency increased by 9%;
- Youth placed at community service sites – 660 hours of service returned to the community;
- \$4,387 in monetary restitution was returned to the victims;
- Peer Mediation workshops held at Sanborn and Timberlane Regional Schools;
- New fundraising initiatives were held, allowing us to sustain and improve programs;
- Over 60 volunteers attended our ‘Annual Gathering’ – our appreciation night.

Family Mediation & Juvenile Services is dedicated to serving area youth and families. We would again like to thank the townspeople, judges, donors, volunteers (mediators, community service supervisors, etc.) and the staff, who make it all possible.

There is a vacancy on the Board of Directors for a representative from Newton. If you are interested in supporting an organization that supports youth and families, please contact Pat Macomber at 603-362-9957.

Respectfully submitted,
Family Mediation & Juvenile Services Board of Directors

Andrea Bonner, <i>Kingston</i>	Arline Grant, <i>Hampstead</i>	Martha Sumner, <i>Plaistow</i>
Rose Cavalear, <i>Atkinson</i>	Dick Gerrish, <i>Kingston</i>	Wade Parsons, <i>Danville</i>
Dale Childs, <i>Hampstead</i>	Marta Modigliani, <i>Danville</i>	Barbara Tavitian, <i>Plaistow</i>
Debra DeSimone, <i>Atkinson</i>	Kathleen Marino, <i>Newton</i>	

LAMPREY HEALTH CARE

Lamprey Health Care is a non-profit, community based primary health care organization providing medical services, social services, information and referral and transportation for seniors and adults with disabilities in Rockingham County. Transportation services, medical services, information and referral services are provided to residents of Newton consisting of 2,777 rides and 197 medical visits.

Funds will be used to assist in the operation of the Senior Citizen Transportation Program operating in Newton. Service is available to Newton residents each Thursday for shopping, medical appointments, pharmacy and other needs. There are also monthly daylong recreational outings that include lunch and a visit to a seasonal point of interest. Medical appointments are provided on an as needed basis and are scheduled through the Transportation Coordinator.

Funds will also be used to assist in providing primary care medical services for all, prenatal through geriatric. Eight family physicians and one pediatrician practice at Lamprey Health care providing comprehensive medical care, social services, nutritional counseling, mental health services and prevention and education activities. No one is refused care because they cannot pay. A sliding fee scale is available to residents of your community to allow them access to medical services. Lamprey Health Care is pleased to continue to provide services to residents of Newton.

Respectfully submitted,
Phyllis Eldridge
Ancillary Services Manager

NH SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

In the last twelve months, we have provided care and shelter for over 3,750 animals at our location in Stratham and provided other services to many more members of the community. In addition, we have responded to over 700 complaints and rescued 166 animals from situations of cruelty and neglect from communities in Rockingham County and other New Hampshire towns.

Along with taking in animals from your community and placing many of them into good homes, we also assist animal control officers, educate children and adults about the humane treatment of animals, and provide many other services that directly affect your community. The Learning Center for Pets and People has served hundreds of community members through obedience and agility classes, behavior consultations, workshops, trainings and seminars. We have been able to expand our work educating children about proper animal care and the humane treatment of animals. Youth ages 3 to 16 have participated in the weekly story hour, summer camp, KIND club, Junior Volunteers and have joined us for their birthdays.

NHSPCA For Year 2005 Programs & Services Expenses

\$1,221,120 - includes animal care and sheltering services, humane education, community services and cruelty investigations.

3,752 - total number of animals cared for in last 12 months.

4,667 - total number of school children receiving humane education in last 12 months.

717 - total number of animal cruelty reports investigated in the last 12 months.

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147 - total number of Families Receiving Services.

75 - number of Animals Surrendered by Residents

56 - number of Animals Adopted by Residents

14 - number of Cruelty Cases Complaints/Assists/Seizures

2 - number of Residents participating in Training and Behavior Consultation

Services Provided By The NHSPCA include: Adoption and Surrender Services, Medical Care for the animals, Obedience Training, Behavior Consultations, Humane Education in local schools, Humane Education for Adults in the community, Programs for Seniors, Resource Information and Support, Animal Foster Care program, Low Cost Rabies Vaccination Clinics, Story Hour for kids, Summer Camp for kids 9-12, KIND club for kids 10-13, Jr. Volunteer Program for kids 14-16.

More than ever your town's support of our efforts is critical to the continuation of our services. As a community based organization, our only sources of funding are donations from the communities we serve. We receive no state or federal assistance whatsoever.

Thank you for your consideration of the New Hampshire SPCA in your annual appropriations process.

Respectfully submitted,
Abigail Smith
Director of Development and Marketing