

Discussion and Recommendations to Budget Committee- 12/16/2021

Present: Bob Luttman, Katie Dodge, Roslyn Birger- Hershfield, Maureen Jelloe, Pat Conner

No decisions about recommendation could be made until Maureen Jolloe appointment was approved by Board of Selectmen.

Group went through each of the 12 agencies applying for funding from Town for FY 23.

Members looked at total funding requests which was \$76,450 compared to last years request which was \$46,200. Last year the MSSRB recommended to the Budget Committee to give an additional \$750 to each of the 9 agencies that applied last year- this recommendation was approved by the Budget Committee resulting in a total award of \$52,950 for FY 22.

Significant discussion center on the 3 new applicants as well as a careful review of each agencies reported York data. SG United Foundation a new applicant and an organization the Review Board supports but did not feel the data available specific to York warranted the requested amount of \$15,000. However it is hoped that this upcoming year will see many more York children enrolled in this program. We therefore recommended funding at \$5000.

York Hospital was also a first time applicant. Very careful review was conducted on the meals program offered by York Hospital. It is recommended they be funded at \$10,000.

Review Board also had a lengthy discussion regarding Cross Roads House in Portsmouth. They clearly provide a valued service and can be seen as an essential safety net for York Residents who need emergency services. In spite of low number of York Residents served (2) the Board felt it was important to recommend approving the requested funding in order to support this important safety net. The only other reduction made to requested amounts was Southern Maine Agency on Aging where their request was decreased by \$500.

Based on the work of the Review Board we are recommending to the Budget Committee the funding in the amount \$64,950 for the 12 applicants. The exact amount for each agency will be provided in the report to the Budget Committee.

Submitted by: Pat Conner, Chair