

GRAFTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL, INC. Annual Report 2024









THANK YOU...

to all of our generous funders! You make it possible for GCSCC to provide the essential programs & services described in this report.

THE PURPOSE OF...

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council is to develop, strengthen, and provide programs and services that support the health, dignity, and independence of older adults and adults with disabilities living in our communities.

The Grafton County Senior Citizens Council (GCSCC) provides critical services for older adults and adults with disabilities living in every town in Grafton County, as well as surrounding communities. In fact, GCSCC is the *only* organization in Grafton County providing the array of services described in this report. Yet, doing so is becoming increasingly challenging.

GCSCC ended fiscal year 2024 with a deficit, and we expect the same for fiscal year 2025.

Funding from state and federal government is not keeping pace with the cost of doing business. "Level funding" is a misnomer. Receiving the same amount of government funding year to year does not take into account the increasing expenses including wages, food, supplies, vehicles, and utilities.

Financially strained nonprofit organizations are making inevitable operational changes, and GCSCC is no exception. We hope you'll agree with us, after reviewing this report, that GCSCC is providing much-needed services for community members throughout our region. If you agree that any reduction in services would be harmful to those who rely on GCSCC, please support our efforts by donating today.

Thank you for supporting the work being done by GCSCC to help our neighbors remain safely in their homes as they age.

With gratitude,

William V. Geogly
Bill Geraghty, President

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Kathleen Vasconcelos, Executive Director

PROGRAMS & SERVICES by the numbers

Throughout 2024 our team provided:

204,593 MEALS

19,729 RIDES

32,033 ACTIVITIES & PROGRAMS

8,026 OUTREACH & COUNSELING VISITS

4,184 WELLNESS CALLS

513 VOLUNTEERS WORKED 32,864 VOLUNTEER HOURS

6,000+ PEOPLE SERVED

WE PROVIDE SERVICES FOR RESIDENTS OF EVERY TOWN IN GRAFTON COUNTY.

ALL SERVICES ARE FREE

2023-2024

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STEPHEN MARION

A long-time supporter of GCSCC, Stephen Marion passed away on August 5, 2024. Steve served on the Board of Directors for more than seven years and was active on the Governance and Strategic Planning committees. Steve's deep commitment to GCSCC's work made him a strong advocate for the people we serve. His leadership role with our organization put him in a position to help guide GCSCC, and we continue to benefit from his leadership, commitment, and generosity. Steve's legacy carries on, even as we continue to miss him deeply.

Nutrition is a core service provided by GCSCC. Our older neighbors are particularly vulnerable to food insecurity as they face health challenges and rising food prices. By providing nutritious meals and wellness checks each weekday, GCSCC helps to improve the overall health and well-being of our community members. Our nutrition programs include:

- Home-delivered meals
- Grab & Go meals
- Congregate meals

On-Demand, Door-to-Door Transportation is especially crucial for adults aged 60+, as it allows them to maintain independence, access essential services like healthcare, participate in social activities, and appreciate a sense of freedom. When the day comes that they can no longer drive, reliable transportation is key to ensuring safety and quality of life. GCSCC's fleet of buses travel to every town in Grafton County and are wheelchair accessible.

Senior Center Activities & Socialization Programs significantly contribute to overall well-being by combating loneliness, promoting physical activity, and providing a sense of belonging. This has a huge impact on reducing the risk of depression and psychological issues associated with aging. These programs are broken down into 3 primary categories:

- Health: multiple exercise options, health discussions, classes
- Creative and Recreational: art, music, crafts, dance, hobbies, games
- Informative: seminars, special speakers, computer training, tax prep

Outreach & Social Services provide vital support systems and access to essential resources. This includes assistance with daily living needs, complex healthcare navigation, mental health support, and community connection programs, to name a few.

Grafton County Aging and Disability Resource Center

(formerly ServiceLink), sponsored by GCSCC, provides expert counseling, with specialists in Medicaid, Medicare, caregiver support, information and referrals. ADRC staff are the only certified Medicare counselors in NH.

Volunteer Opportunities are numerous and include those offered through RSVP (an AmeriCorps Seniors project): Chore Corps, Good Morning phone calls, and Bone Builders exercise classes.













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One time or monthly, online or check; tax-deductible.

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Celebrate friendship and meaningful interaction with a special donation.

In Loving Memory

Give a gift in the memory of a loved one, dear friend, or respected colleague.

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Support GCSCC's mission without giving up assets during your lifetime. See **www.gcscc. org/legacy-giving** for details.



Become a Sponsor

For options, contact James Carroll, 603-448-4897 or icarroll@gcscc.org.

Spread the Word

Become a GCSCC ambassador by telling others about our mission.

Looking Ahead by Giving Back / ROBERT B. MUH

One of Bob Muh's favorite quotes is attributed to the late Helen Walton: "It's not what you gather in life, but what you scatter in life, that tells what kind of life you have lived". Bob considers himself to have been uniquely fortunate throughout his life, and sharing his time, talents, and financial resources with others has always been of great importance.



A native of New Jersey, Bob attended the United States Military Academy at West Point, NY. Following his active duty service, Bob attended Boston College Law School. Called to continue in public service, with a J.D. degree in hand, he joined the Criminal Justice Bureau of the NH Attorney General's Office. Thereafter, he accepted a position as Clerk of the Grafton County Superior Court, from which he retired in 2011.

Bob and his wife Alice, who have two grown children and six grand-children, moved to Littleton 37 years ago. Since then, Bob has been active in a multitude of volunteer roles in the community, including service on the Littleton Area Senior Center Advisory Council and the GCSCC board of directors. His three years as board president were marked by two particularly notable events: the onset of COVID-19 and the very successful "Half Century" fundraising campaign and anniversary celebration.

Over the last 13 years, GCSCC has benefited from Bob and Alice's philanthropy —both in time and treasure. These gifts have included volunteering, memorial gifts, honorary gifts, direct gifts to the centers, annual campaign donations and holding donor events at their home. They have also used another popular giving option: the donation of appreciated stock. Using this option can be highly beneficial in that GCSCC receives the full value of the security while the donor avoids the tax consequences of substantial capital gains. Going forward, they plan to make liberal use of required minimum distributions from tax-deferred accounts as yet another tax-planning strategy. The community continues to benefit from their generosity.









Audited Financials for Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2024

ASSETS / CURRENT ASSETS	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$242,154
Investments	\$373,401
Accounts Receivable	\$634,921
Grants Receivable	\$105,697
Inventories (raw foods, prepared meals)	\$16,811
Prepaid Expenses	\$25,297
Total Current Assets	\$1,398,281

LAND, BUILDINGS & EQUIPMENT AT COST	
Land, Buildings and Improvements	\$3,488,529
Equipment	\$282,349
Vehicles	\$762,498
Improvements in Progress	\$100,481
Accumulated Depreciation	(\$2,534,891)

LONG-TERM ASSETS	
Right of Use (Operating Lease)	\$36,545
Investment Endowments	\$819,277
Total Assets	\$4,353,069

LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS/CURRENT LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable	\$61,266
Accrued Expenses	\$225,342
Operating Lease Liabilities (Current Portion)	\$7,459
Long Term Liabilities	\$19,945
Total Liabilities	\$314,012

NET ASSETS	
Without Donor Restrictions	\$3,708,873
With Donor Restrictions	\$330,184
Total Net Assets	\$4,039,057
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$4,353,069

CONTRIBUTIONS	
Local Government Agencies (county & towns)	\$398,646
Governmental Programs (state, NSIP, HCBC, RSVP)	\$2,134,892
Fundraising (philanthropic)	\$652,551
Program Participants & Senior Activities	\$175,950
Other Grants and Contracts	\$196,463

OTHER SUPPORT	
Miscellaneous Income (misc. & interest)	\$8,797
Rental Revenue	\$8,265
In-kind Donations	\$205,678
In-kind Rental Revenue	\$35,500
Subtotal Revenue	\$3,816,742

NON-OPERATING GAINS & LOSSES	
Investment Transfer	\$32,749
Net Investment Bank Fees	\$10,214
Net Realized Gain on Investment	\$188,854
Net Gain on Disposal of Fixed Assets	\$567
Total Non Operating	\$232,384
Total Revenue and Other Supports	\$4,049,126

EXPENSES	
Program Services	\$3,024,230
Management and General Operations	\$1,137,420
Fundraising	\$96,872
Total Expenses	\$4,258,522

CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	
Net Increase (Decrease)	(\$209,396.00)







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To express our appreciation for donors who have remembered GCSCC in their estate plans, we recently established the GCSCC Legacy Society. We hope you will join with other philanthropists who share GCSCC's vision to provide for the needs of our aging neighbors well into the future.

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During fiscal year 2023-24, gifts were given in honor of the following individuals:

Roberta Berner Neil Castaldo

Becky Foster

Alison Morgan Richard Peck

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During fiscal year 2023-24, the following gifts were given in loving memory of the following individuals:

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Littleton Area Senior Center

77 Riverglen Lane, Littleton, NH 03561 (603) 444-6050

Mascoma Area Senior Center

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Plymouth Regional Senior Center

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Channing T. Brown Building 10 Campbell St, Lebanon, NH 03766 (603) 448-4213

Administrative Office

10 Campbell St, Lebanon, NH 03766 (603) 448-4897

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Grafton County Aging & Disability Resource Centers

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