

Town of East Montpelier FY2026 Funding Requests

Each year the Town of East Montpelier receives requests for funds from many different organizations. The Selectboard appoints a committee to review the requests and to recommend which should appear on the Town Meeting Warning for action. The committee requires certain information to make sound decisions for each request. For your organization to be considered for funding, it is mandatory that you complete this information form. Submit the form and supplementary information to:

Funding Request Study Committee
Town of East Montpelier
P.O. Box 157, East Montpelier, VT 05651-0157 (submit by mail)
manager@eastmontpeliervt.org (submit by email)

on or before **Friday, October 11, 2024**. Incomplete forms and/or requests received after this date will be disqualified for funding. The Committee reserves the right to require any requesting organization to defend its request in person at the Committee's annual meeting normally held in early November. An organization applying for the first time or requesting a substantial increase in funding should expect an invitation to attend the annual meeting.

If your organization operates two or more programs with separate budgets or funding sources, please fill out one form for each program. All information should be given for your latest complete fiscal year (12 months). Approved requests will be acknowledged in the fiscal year 2022 (July 1, 2023– June 30, 2024) budget for the Town of East Montpelier. Please feel free to submit any other information you feel would be helpful to the committee in making their decision.

If you have any questions please contact Jennifer Devine, Town Administrator, at (802) 223-3313 x 204 or manager@eastmontpeliervt.org.

STANDARD INFORMATION

Organization Name: East Montpelier Community Connections

Address: 665 Vincent Flats Rd, East Montpelier, VT 05651

Fiscal Year Reported: July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024

Program Description: *Community Connections (C.C.) provides care for children before and after school at EMES. We run affordable high-quality vacation camps and we operate a state licensed preschool at EMES. We also sponsor and run the summer food program at the WCSU summer school serving EMES students*

Name of Person filling out this form: Kimberly J. L. Bolduc

Name of Person to contact with questions: Kimberly J. L. Bolduc

Phone Number: 802/223-7936 x305 E-mail: kbolduc@u32.org

AMOUNT OF FUNDING REQUEST: 2500.00

SERVICE INFORMATION

What is your organization's service area? State? Washington County? or Other?
_____Washington Central UUSD_____

What is the total number of individuals served by your organization in your prior Fiscal Year? _____252_____ individuals

How many people in East Montpelier were served by your organization in the same period? _____79_____ East Montpelier residents

What type of service(s) does your organization provide to East Montpelier residents?
Community Connections provides before school and after school care at East Montpelier Elementary School as well as operate a preschool classroom at the Elementary School that supports the school's pre-kindergarten program. We offer camps for in-service days and longer school vacations. CC supports and offers community events such as mentoring and hunter safety with Sam Hill. We are licensed by the Vermont Department of Children and Families so we provide emergency childcare services to families that are in crisis or have a need for these services but cannot afford them. Finally, we help offer a food program that provides free lunch and breakfast to any child in town. Activities that have external providers were limited in the previous year, we look to have them return soon as resources allow.

Approximately how many staff hours are dedicated to provide the services your organization offered East Montpelier residents during this time period? __~4570____ hours.

What services does your organization provide that are not available elsewhere? Before school, after school and preschool care on-site at East Montpelier Elementary School. We are also a summer food program provider located in the U-32 and Montpelier school districts.

What (if any) organizations provide similar services. There are no other programs on site or located in East Montpelier that provide easy wrap around service to the school, day or year.

If applicable, how does your organization collaborate with organizations providing similar services? We work collectively among all the Community Connections sites, with WCSU, other local public schools, local recreation districts and department, We consult with Washington County Sheriff's Department, Family Center of Washington County, Washington Central Friends of Education, and other local community service organizations.

In what way are the services your organization provides preventative in nature?
Community Connections provides programs that support positive youth development, social skills and character development for all students, especially at risk youth ages PK-12th grade. We also have programs that prevent child hunger and help at risk youth attend school based preschool programs. Afterschool is the most common time of the day for youth to engage in risky behaviors and our programs keep them active and engaged during these crucial times of the day.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

How did your organization determine the amount of the funding request? Please explain in detail your reasoning for any increase or decrease (use attached sheet if necessary). We are requesting the same funding level, this year this represents slightly over 2% of our current annual budget.

If approved by the town, how will your organization use the funds? Town funds would support tuition for children whose families cannot easily pay the full price of our services, have fallen behind or might not fully qualify for state childcare payments. This year we would also take into consideration the influences of economic changes and contiued flood impact for families.

Do any of your grant sources require local financial commitment? Explain. Currently we have no grants that require a local commitment.

Is your organization approved by the IRS as tax-exempt? ___YES___

If yes, indicate your approval type: 501c3: ___X___ other: _____

INCOME SOURCES	PERCENT OF INCOME	TOTAL INCOME
Federal	0	0
State (Grant & Subsidy)	22.49%	32500
Local Towns	1.73%	2500
United Way		
Fundraising		
Other (User Fees)	75.78%	109492
Other		
TOTAL	100%	144492

EXPENDITURES	Budgeted Percent	Budgeted Dollars	Actual Expense Percent	Actual Expense Dollars
Personnel		157950		139954
Insurance/Rent/Utilities		1000		1125
Fundraising Costs				
Other (Travel)		980		995
Other (Snacks & Supplies)		1500		1440
Total		161430		143514

Number of full-time paid staff positions (full-time equivalents or hours): ___3.25 full time_

Number of full-time volunteer staff positions (full-time equivalents or hours) Currently less than .1, during these post COVID and natural disaster times less are available.