

Senate Health & Welfare - Advocate budget requests (in no particular order)

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Organization	Request	Request Amount	House Passed	Notes / Other	Handout
Vermont Medical Society	Blueprint for Health Expansion, 2-Year Pilot	Support House passed	\$20,178,800 Approx.	Support FY24 Gov Rec. proposal for 2-year pilot. House only funded one-year (\$10,089,400).	Link
	Increase rates for primary and specialty care	Support House passed	\$5,559,641 Gross	Increase Primary Care to 110% of Medicare and specialty care by 3.8% (Sec. B.301/B.307)	
Bi-State Primary Care	10% rate increase	\$6,900,000 Gross	\$1,708,000 Gross	House passed 4% increase. Also request DVHA update FQHC payment methodology to align with federal law (see H.208).	Link
Vermont Care Partners	10% rate increase - Mental Health	\$6,000,000 GF	\$5,442,956 Gross \$198,964 GF	House passed 4% increase for DA's & SSA's	Link Link Link
	10% rate increase - DD Services	\$9,000,000 GF	\$11,293,696 Gross	House passed 4% increase for DA's & SSA's	
	One-time investment in tuition assistance and loan repayment	\$6,000,000			
	Investment in improving mental health rate equity	\$1,300,000 GF			
	Fully fund Eldercare mental health outreach program	\$453,000 GF		Level-funded. According to VCP there is a \$527K deficit. VCP estimates gross need at \$713K.	
Development Disabilities Housing Initiative	10% increase for DD services	See VT Care Partners Request		Ellen Riley testimony (Parent)	Link
Vermont Developmental Disabilities Council	10% increase for DD services	See VT Care Partners Request			Link
	Fund 9 quality assurance and oversight positions	\$500,000 GF \$500,000 FF	\$500,000 GF \$500,000 FF		
VT Assoc. of Adult Day Services	Increase adult day to \$25/hr	\$2,400,000 Gross	\$1,060,800 Gross	House passed 15% rate increase. (Unclear if \$25 increase costs \$2.4M gross).	Link
COVE	Same request as VAADS above				
Area Agencies on Aging	Older Vermonters Nutrition Program	\$3,000,000	\$1,000,000	House includes one-time \$1M approp. AAA's Also asking for a report making recommendaitons on the short/long-term sustainability of the program.	Link
Cathedral Square (SASH)	Request for 2-year funding for SASH for all concept.	\$2,700,000 Gross		Current CDS (federal) funding will end Aug. 31. \$250K would provide Year 2 funding for current pilots. \$2.7M would provide statewide expansion for one-year and \$5.4M for two years.	Link
Voices for Vermont's Children	Reach Up Basic Needs Budget	\$3,000,000		According to VVC \$3M would bring the Basic Needs Budget up to 2023 levels.	Link
	Pass H.94 and sunset the rateable reduction.			More specific details of budget and language requests can be found on the link to their testimony (link in next column).	

Winston Prouty Center and Family Center of Washington County (Matt Levin)	Children's Integrated Services - expand data system solutions to 3 more CIS regions.	\$768,180	\$950,000	Approx, \$950K in budget. \$768K one-time to expand to 3 more regions.	Link
Junion League of Champlain Valley (Matt Levin)	Addressing Diaper Bank Needs	\$377,000		\$377K would distribute over 1.25 million diapers.	Link
Mentor Vermont	Funding increase	\$650,000		\$170K in the budget/base. Asking for \$480K increase to \$650K to increase matches from 1300 to 2000.	Link
Prevent Child Abuse Vermont	Increase Nurturing Parent Grant	\$279,513		FY 23 (Base) = \$267,371. Requested \$546,884.	Link
	Increase Shaken Baby Syndrome Prevention Grant	\$100,390		FY 23 (Base) = \$91,376. Requested \$191,766.	Link
	Increase Healthy Relationships Grant	\$313,277		FY 23 (Base) = \$44,999. Requested \$358,276.	
Vermont Food Bank (Amy Shollengerger)	Increase base funding for food insecurity - Sec. B1101(p)(6)	\$3,000,000	\$1,000,000	VFB also supports AAA \$3M request for meals on wheels.	Link
Recovery Partners of Vermont (Amy Shollenberger)	Recovery Centers - Sec. B.313	Support House passed	\$1,850,000	Support House position increasing base funding.	Link
	Recovery Housing - Sec. B.1100(o)(2)	\$1,000,000 Base	\$1,000,000 One-time	House increase is one-time. Asking for base increase.	
	Rent Vouchers - Sec. B.1100(o)(3)	Support House passed	\$30,000	Support House position (\$30K).	
Parent Child Center Network (Amy Shollenberger)	Increase base funding - Secs. B.318 and E.318	Support House passed	\$2,000,000	This would increase base funding to \$6.8M. PCCN requested \$5.2M to bring grant up to \$10M but asking for SHW to support House position.	Link
Action Circles (Amy Shollenberger)	Vermont Afterschool - Secs. B.318 and E.500.1	Support Gov. Rec. Items on page 3 of link			Link
United Way	Vermont 211 funding	\$1,404,888		Gov Rec. = level fund to pre-pandemic funding of \$532,100 (decrease from FY23). Asking for increase.	Link
Vermont Legal Aid	Vermont Legal Aid Funding	\$1,340,000 Gross	\$500,000 Gross	\$500K to maintain capacity, \$390K for increased demand, and \$450K for foreclosure and consumer debt protection.	Link
	Long Term Care Ombudsman	\$450,524 Gross	\$250,000 Gross	Add'l funds to maintain capacity and add 2 staff members. Alternative request to only add 1 staff = \$296,591 gross.	
Health Care Advocate	Bridges to Health / UVM Extension	\$700,000		Bridges to health is losing its funding on 12/31/23. This grant funds 6 bilingual community health workers and a supervisor. Request is to fund it for the rest of the fiscal year and then continue as base the following year.	

	Elimination of Medicaid Dental Cap	TBD		DVHA supported raising the cap from \$1,000 to \$1,500 in the House as budget neutral adjustment. HCA propose eliminating the cap since the buyers power would decrease as a result of increased dental reimbursements.	
Recovery House, Inc.	Admission Staff	\$50,000		To cover additional cost of admission expansion.	Link
	Building Improvements	\$300,000		To update buildings (which are very old).	
	Reimbursement Rate Increases	TBD		Asking for increase in short-stay reimbursement from \$237-260/day to \$1,000/day. No estimated of cost of increase provided.	
AIDS Services Organizations and Safe Recovery (Virginia Renfrew)	Additional funding for syringe services programs for folks with HIV/AIDS	\$400,000		Asking for increase of \$400K for their syringe programs.	
Health Equity Advisory Commission	HEAC budget needs	\$1,570,000		Governance staffing and admin = \$120K; Assessment of state policies and programs (Consulting) = \$160K; community and neighborhood-based grants = \$750K; Comp, community engagment/facility expenses = \$90K, Staffing, overhead and indirect expenses (ED and 2 managers) = \$450K.	Link

TOTAL \$54,456,772

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<https://legislature.vermont.gov/committee/document/2024/27/Date/4-7-2023#documents-section>