

Home Delivered Meals & Global Commitment Investment

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Home Delivered Meals Overview and Background

Vermont receives federal funding to provide Home Delivered Meals (HDM; aka Meals On Wheels) to eligible Vermonters age 60 and over. In Vermont's case, the funding passes through DAIL to the Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) and is then allocated to the many meal providers throughout the state, including senior centers.

FFY25

Vermont received \$1.8M in OAA federal funds for HDM.

\$1M in HDM State GF converted to GC, adding \$1.4M in federal match, totaling \$2.4M in GC funding.

6,913 older Vermonters received 968,112 HDM.

Home Delivered Meals FFY25 Quality Feedback



Global Commitment HDM Funding

Each AAA:

- Receives this money in the form of a one-year grant.
- Must reimburse meal providers at least \$6.50 per meal.
- Must ensure meals are provided to the most food insecure older Vermonters, such as those unable to cook, unable to obtain groceries, and economically food insecure. This aligns with federal directives to target those in greatest social and economic need.
- Must report the number of participants with 3+ ADL needs (bathing, dressing, toileting), 3+ IADL needs (preparing meals, shopping, transportation), and those at/below federal poverty level.
- Must submit a Quarterly Report to the SUA.

Global Commitment HDM Funding

HDM GC FFY25

- 4,422 older Vermonters received 351,648 meals with GC funding.

HDM GC FFY26 Q1(10/1/25-12/31/25)

- 3,039 older Vermonters received 86,000 HDM meals with GC funding.
- 23% had 3 or more ADL needs (bathing, dressing, toileting)
- 82% had 3 or more IADL needs (preparing meals, shopping, transportation)
- 42% were at/below the federal poverty level
- No funds allocated for administrative costs this year.