

**Human Services Advisory Committee  
Special Meeting minutes**

**Recorded Meeting Link**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3hSepS99Dlo>

**Present:**

Ethel Mantzaris, (Advisory Board, Chair)  
Julia DeLapp (Member at Large)  
Victoria Nimirowski (WAIM)  
Wil Bigl (Commission on Aging)  
Marie Hakmiller (Member at Large)  
Jennifer Dhyana (Housing Authority Rep.)  
Shamim Patwa (Mansfield Advocates for Children Rep.)

**Staff:**

Patricia Schneider (Director of Human Services)  
Katherine Bell (Youth Services)  
Dorothy Del Valle (Administrative Services Specialist)

**Absent:**

Lorraine Kenowski (Member at Large)  
Ron Baker (Member at Large)

- I. Call to Order at 3:36 pm
- II. Minutes from December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021 meeting were approved as written
- III. Departmental Update (P. Schneider)
  - A. Staffing Update – reported the resignation of Jessica Duers and Danielle Annibalini
  - B. Program Update – no report made
  - C. Budget Update – reported in process and noted upcoming budget meetings.
- IV. Old Business
  - A. Review of the Grants to Agency Application Process
    - i. Discussion around the goals, procedures and budget.
      1. Expanded discussion around the increase in various resources and needs of the community.

V. New Business

A. Agency Grant Application review

- i. Committee reviewed and discussed submitted applications.
- ii. Committee agree on presenting the following funding for those agencies, which submitted applications.

<b>Agency</b>	<b>Committee Recommendation</b>
ACCESS	\$2,000
Community Companion and Homemaking Service	\$5,000
CT Legal Services	\$6,500
Holy Family Home/Shelter	\$5,000
Perception Programs	\$4,500
Sexual Assault Crisis Center of Eastern CT	\$5,000
SERAC	\$1,000
TVCCA/Meals on Wheels	\$5,000
United Services	\$13,500
Veteran's Advisor/WRCC	\$5,750
WAIM	\$5,000
Windham Region No Freeze Project	\$6,000
<b>Proposed Total</b>	<b>\$64,250</b>

- iii. The committee feels if the Town Council has additional funds available they would support an increase to all of these agencies.

VI. No Public Comment

VII. Adjournment: at 5:29 pm

Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 27, 2022 at 3:30 pm