

Improving the Lives of Older Adults and Their Caregivers

2024 ANNUAL REPORT

Field Hall Foundation is dedicated to improving the lives of older adults and their caregivers by supporting initiatives that enhance their health, safety, independence, and well-being. Through targeted grant-making, the Foundation strives to foster stronger, more resilient communities across Dutchess, Putnam, and Westchester Counties.

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In 2024, the Field Hall Foundation awarded a total of \$800,000 in grants to a diverse network of organizations and local government agencies committed to advancing the well-being of older adults and their caregivers. A total of 61 grants were distributed, ranging from \$1,000 to \$40,000, and included 18 full grants, 24 small grants, and 19 holiday grants.

Our grantmaking efforts reflected both longstanding priorities and emerging needs across our community. From tackling food insecurity to expanding access to transportation and home-based care, our investments supported programs that make a meaningful, day-to-day impact on the lives of seniors and those who care for them.

Impact by Focus Area

Food Insecurity

Combating food insecurity remained a core focus of our work in 2024. Grants in this area supported food pantries, meal preparation services, and home-delivered meals for older adults in all three counties. As the demand for nutritious food continues to grow, the Foundation remains committed to supporting partners who ensure that no senior in our community goes hungry.

Home-Based Care Services

Aging in place is a goal for many older adults, and home-based care plays a crucial role in making that possible. Our grants supported a wide range of services, including palliative care, essential furniture for newly housed seniors, technology access for education and social connection, and programming to reduce social isolation. These investments helped enhance comfort, dignity, and independence for seniors living at home.

Respite and Caregiver Support

We recognize that caregivers are the backbone of support for many older adults. While only one grant was awarded in this category in 2024, it funded a vital program offering emotional support, resource navigation, and community connections for caregivers.

Safety & Security

Safety and accessibility are essential for independent living. Grants in this focus area provided funding for critical home repairs and modifications, including ADA-compliant updates and adult day care enhancements. These improvements not only reduced the risk of injury but also allowed seniors to remain in safe, stable, and supportive environments.

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Social Work/Case Management

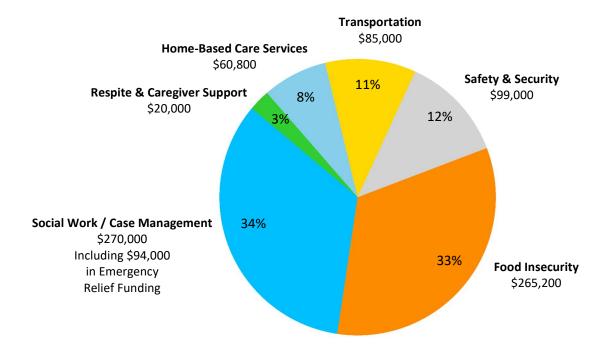
Social work and case management remain a cornerstone of our funding strategy. In 2024, our funding supported direct assistance and personalized guidance for vulnerable older adults facing complex challenges. A substantial portion of these grants delivered direct emergency financial assistance to help seniors avoid eviction, restore utility services, prevent homelessness, and secure access to food. These critical supports helped stabilize lives and served as a vital safety net before the crisis deepened.

Transportation

Reliable transportation is vital for seniors to access medical care, stay connected socially, and maintain their independence. The Foundation funded programs offering free, ADA-compliant ridesharing services, volunteer driver initiatives, and community-based transportation solutions. These efforts reduced isolation and empowered older adults to stay engaged and mobile.

Total 2024 Funding, by Focus Area

The pie chart below shows the financial breakdown of grants in 2024, by focus area:



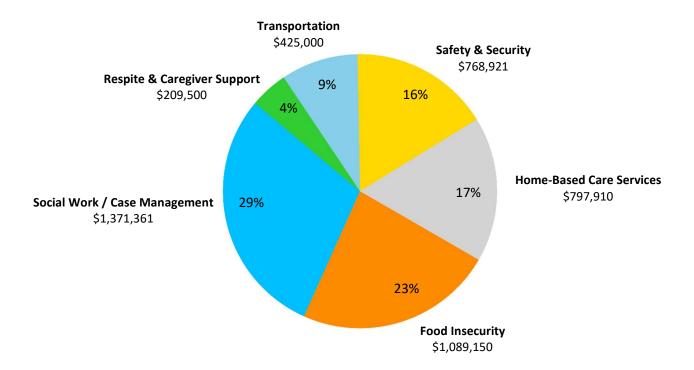
Total funding for 2024 was \$800,000.

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Cumulative Grantmaking

As of December 31, 2024, the Foundation has awarded \$4,661,842 in funding through 300 grants, supporting 129 nonprofit organizations and government agencies. The grants encompass 88 full grants, 110 small grants, 30 emergency grants, and 72 holiday grants.

The pie chart below shows the total distribution of funds to date, by focus area:

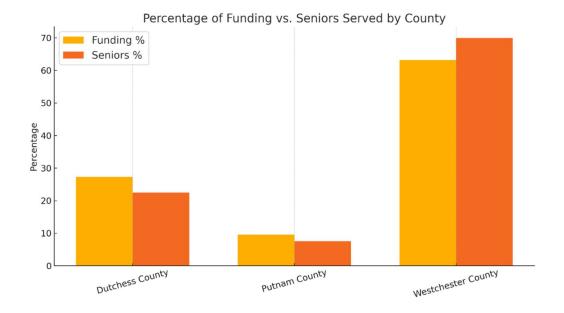


Funding by County

We continue to monitor the cumulative distribution of grants to the proportion of senior residents in each county. Overall, both Dutchess and Putnam Counties have received a slightly higher share of funding relative to the size of their senior populations. In contrast, Westchester County, despite serving the majority of the region's seniors, receives a smaller percentage of grant funding than its share of the population would suggest. We feel this is an equitable distribution of funds.

The graph on the following page shows the comparison of each County's cumulative funding to its senior population.

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Specifically:

Dutchess County

Dutchess accounts for 23% of the total senior population across the three counties but receives a higher share of funding at 27%. 80,000 seniors | Grants: \$1,271,150

• Putnam County

Putnam makes up only 7% of the senior population but is awarded approximately 10% of the grant funding. 26,861 seniors | Grants: \$446,255

Westchester County

Westchester serves the largest share of seniors at 70% yet receives a smaller proportion of funding at 63%. 248,557 seniors | Grants: \$2,944,437

Community Relations

The Foundation maintains active partnerships with nonprofit organizations, government agencies, other foundations and coalitions, and attends key forums and conferences to stay closely informed about the evolving challenges facing seniors in our region.

We continuously seek feedback from nonprofits to ensure our grantmaking remains transparent, equitable, and responsive to the needs of the communities we serve. In 2024, the Foundation introduced a streamlined application process for small grants, designed to improve accessibility

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for community-based organizations. The updated process has proven to be beneficial for both applicants and the Foundation. Based on its success, this approach will now serve as our standard process for small grants.

Looking Ahead to 2025

As we turn to 2025, we anticipate a growing demand for support from the nonprofits we serve. The shifting policy landscape under the new administration is already influencing the priorities, pressures, and possibilities our partners face. With changes unfolding at both the federal and state levels, we anticipate a year marked by both emerging opportunities and pressing demands.

In this evolving environment, we remain deeply committed to being a responsive and trusted partner—attuned to the needs of the moment while staying focused on long-term impact. In the year ahead, we will continue to invest in organizations meeting the essential needs of older adults, while also deepening our engagement with those supporting older veterans and providing vital respite and resources to caregivers.

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by Focus Area

Food Insecurity, \$235,000 Awarded

Caring for the Hungry and Homeless of Peekskill, Inc., Fall 2024

\$15,000

To provide nutritious, culturally appropriate groceries for food-insecure seniors

Church of the Good Shepherd, Fall 2024

\$15,000

To support and expand their weekend hot lunches and socialization program for seniors in Putnam and Westchester Counties

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Dutchess County, Winter 2023/24

\$5,000

To grow and deliver fresh produce to seniors

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Putnam County, Fall 2024

\$25,000

To support their Bountiful Meals Program for seniors in need

Dutchess Outreach, Winter 2023/24

\$15,000

To provide nutritious, prepared meals and groceries for seniors

Fareground Community Kitchen, Inc., Spring 2024

\$15,000

To deliver free groceries twice a month to homebound seniors

Hillside Food Outreach, Inc., Fall 2024

\$20,000

To deliver free, nutritious produce and groceries to homebound seniors

Meals on Main Street, Winter 2023/24

\$20,000

To procure and deliver produce, prepared foods, and dairy to seniors

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Meals on Wheels of New Rochelle, Inc., Winter 2023/24

\$10,000

To deliver prepared meals to homebound seniors

North East Community Center, Inc., Fall 2024

\$20,000

To support their food pantry and home delivery programs for older adults living in northeast Dutchess County

Pawling Resource Center, Fall 2024

\$10,000

To address low-income seniors' food insecurity and transportation needs

Poughkeepsie Farm Project, Fall 2024

\$15,000

To provide fresh produce, CSA shares, and education for low-income seniors

Red Hook Responds, Spring 2024

\$10,000

To deliver free meals to seniors in need

Red Hook United Methodist Church Food Pantry, Winter 2023/24

\$5,000

To provide groceries to seniors in need

Second Chance Foods, Winter 2023/24

\$10,000

To provide nourishing meals and groceries to homebound seniors

United Way of Westchester & Putnam, Spring 2024

\$15,000

To provide deliveries of food, clothing, and essential goods to underserved seniors

WestCOP, Winter 2023/24

\$10,000

To provide nutritious food and hygiene items to low-income seniors

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Food Insecurity - Holiday Grants, \$30,200 Awarded

The following organizations received grants to support their food pantry programs for seniors during the holiday season:

Community Center of Northern Westchester, \$2,500

Community Food Pantry Sleepy Hollow & Tarrytown, \$1,500

Croton Cortlandt Food Pantry, \$1,500

Dutchess Outreach, \$2,500

Fareground Community Kitchen, \$1,500

HOPE Community Services, \$2,500

Interfaith Emergency Food Pantry, \$1,000

Let It Shine! Food Pantry, \$1,000

Meals on Wheels of Greater Poughkeepsie, \$1,000

Meals on Wheels of Hyde Park, \$1,000

Meals on Wheels of New Rochelle, \$1,200

Meals on Wheels of White Plains, \$1,000

Mount Kisco Interfaith Food Pantry, Inc., \$2,500

Red Hook Responds, \$1,500

Red Hook United Methodist Church Food Pantry, \$1,000

Saint Thomas Episcopal Church, \$1,000

Second Chance Foods, \$2,000

Trinity United Methodist Church, \$1,500

WestCOP, \$2,500

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Home Based Services, \$60,800 Awarded

Furniture Sharehouse, Spring 2024

\$10,800

To provide beds and basic furnishing for older adults

Hudson Valley Hospice Foundation, Inc., Fall 2024

\$10,000

To provide palliative care services to under-insured and un-insured seniors

SPRYE, Inc., Winter 2023/24

\$10,000

To provide educational programs and transportation to isolated seniors

The STEM Alliance, Fall 2024

\$30,000

To provide digital equity and education for older adults in need

Respite Services and Caregiver Support, \$20,000 Awarded

Phelps Memorial Hospital, Spring 2024

\$20,000

To provide information, workshops, and emotional support to family caregivers

Safety & Security, \$99,000 Awarded

Bethel Nursing Home, Winter 2023/24

\$15,000

To make upgrades to their Adult Day Care Program

Cerebral Palsy Westchester, Spring 2024

\$10,000

To protect the health of older adults with Cerebral Palsy

Greystone Programs, Winter 2023/24

\$14,000

To make ADA compliant upgrades to their Poughquag residence

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People USA, Spring 2024

\$30,000

To improve accessibility and provide emergency financial assistance and educational workshops

Westchester Residential Opportunities, Inc., Fall 2024

\$30,000

To provide home repairs and modifications for low-income senior homeowners

Social Work & Case Management, \$270,000 Awarded; \$94,000 of this was allocated for Direct Emergency Financial Relief

Bridge Fund of New York Inc., Spring 2024

\$25,000

To provide emergency financial assistance for rent and utility arrears for seniors in Westchester County

Cancer Support Community Greater NY & CT at Gilda's Club, Winter 2023/24

\$10,000

To provide counseling, peer support groups and educational workshops to older adults with cancer and their caregivers

Community Action Partnership for Dutchess County, Inc., Fall 2024

\$30,000

To provide financial assistance for low-income seniors facing an unexpected crisis

CoveCare Center, Fall 2024

\$40,000

To pilot a program addressing senior isolation and behavioral health needs

Hudson River Housing Inc., Spring 2024

\$25,000

To financially assist seniors who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless and provide emergency groceries to the food insecure

Hudson Valley Justice Center, Spring 2024

\$15,000

To assist seniors facing eviction due to temporary financial or other hardships

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Lifting Up Westchester, Inc., Winter 2023/24

\$20,000

To provide food, housing, and other basic services to seniors

The LOFT: LGBTQ+ Community Center, Winter 2023/24

\$30,000

To provide case management services to LGBTQ+ seniors

Port Chester Carver Center, Spring 2024

\$25,000

To provide case management services to low-income, immigrant seniors

Support Connection Inc., Winter 2023/24

\$10,000

To provide programming and financial relief to seniors dealing with cancer

Westchester Jewish Community Services, Inc., Spring 2024

\$40,000

To provide geriatric case management services to low-income seniors

Transportation, \$85,000 Awarded

Catholic Charities Community Services of Dutchess Inc., Winter 2023/24

\$40,000

To provide ADA compliant transportation for seniors

Dutchess County Office for the Aging, Winter 2023/24

\$25,000

To provide transportation for older adults through the GoGoGrandparent program

Family Services of Westchester, Winter 2023/24

\$5,000

To provide transportation for seniors through their RideConnect program

TRA (formerly WestFair Rides), Fall 2024

\$15,000

To provide free, safe and efficient transportation for seniors

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