



## Fall Impact Monadnock (IM) Insider!

It has been a busy fall here at Impact Monadnock and there is so much more to come. In this newsletter we focus on some opportunities that we have received and share some important information from Monadnock Farm and Community Coalition's Food Access Analysis.

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### Impact Monadnock takes on Regional Lead Role for Region 1

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Impact Monadnock has assumed the role of Regional Lead for Region 1 in New Hampshire. Region 1 includes 61 towns spanning from the Monadnock Region through the Upper Valley area. The Regional Lead organization is responsible for developing an infrastructure through which to communicate strengths and needs across the region as well as elevate region-specific information with the Department of Human and Health Services and the Department of Education. Funding for this work through December of 2022 is made possible by the Preschool Development Grant. Our infrastructure includes a Leadership Team, an Accountability Team, focused work groups, and community partners. We will also conduct ongoing evaluation of the impact of this work and continue collaboration with other coalitions and regional leads across the state.

### Sustaining Pyramid Model

The Impact Monadnock Community Collaborative is currently in the final year of iSocial funding to support Pyramid Model Implementation. As the iSocial funding cycle begins to close, the Impact Monadnock Community



Collaborative Leadership Team is seeking new opportunities to sustain and expand the efforts in the region. The Monadnock Region currently has four implementation sites (Keene Day Care Center, The Children’s Learning Center at Cheshire Medical Center, The Child Development Center at Keene State College and Jonathan Daniel’s Preschool) and four readiness sites (Keene Family YMCA Childcare, Home Away From Home, Walpole Village School, and Rise for Baby and Family). Please stay tuned for more to come on supporting and increasing access to Pyramid Model in the Monadnock Region.

read more about Pyramid Model [here](#)

## Funding for Community Cafes

Impact Monadnock has secured funding to support a second cohort of Community Cafe Series within the region. The funding for this effort was provided by New Hampshire Children’s Foundation and allows for 2-3 more series to take place in the near future. Plans are underway to involve family resource centers, child care, and early intervention programs in this project.



## News from the Childcare Expansion Project

The availability of quality childcare in our region may expand, thanks to Senator Jeanne Shaheen and a Childcare Expansion collaboration between Keene State College, MUW’s Impact Monadnock, The Keene Family YMCA, Keene Day Care Center, Winchester Learning Center, and Rise for baby and family.

This Childcare Expansion initiative aims to attract, retain, and train childcare workers in our region. It has passed the first hurdle in the new congressionally directed funding process. If the funding is fully approved, the region will be getting \$1 million dollars to fund this important initiative for our local families.

read more about this exciting news [here](#)

Monadnock Farm and Community Coalition conducted a Food Access Analysis of the Region. This analysis highlights gaps in food access and presents some potential strategies for addressing the needs. Read the full analysis [here](#).



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