



Monadnock United Way

Imagine What We Can Do Together

2023 Annual Campaign



MUW General Campaign Chair Update

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Dear MUW Supporters,

We would like to express our gratitude to all those who generously donated to Impact Monadnock (IM) through the New Hampshire Gives fundraiser. We are pleased to share that, with the support of IM, the town of Hinsdale has achieved a significant victory for its children by receiving a \$40,000 grant from [Amoskeag Health](#) to establish a new [ACERT](#) team. Hinsdale is the first rural area in the state to receive such support.



What is ACERT?

When children are regularly exposed to stressful, traumatic situations, called Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE), they are more likely to experience negative impacts to their emotional, cognitive, and physical development.

After first responders have been called to a home where children reside, the **Adverse Childhood Experiences Response Team (ACERT)** engages with the family to ensure the children are offered support and services to help mitigate the impact of trauma exposure.

ACERT has two main areas of focus:

- Trauma-informed training to first responders and social service agencies
- A referral process to connect children to community partners who provide direct services

A Collaborative Effort in Hinsdale

The Hinsdale ACERT Planning Team began meeting monthly in

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PLEASE NOTE:

With the importance of social distancing, we are limiting the number of hours that our

March of 2021. Participants include the Hinsdale Police Department, Hinsdale School District, the elementary and middle/high schools, and community partners. Police Chief Charles Rataj, who experienced ACERT in another NH community, championed the program based on:

- The number of the police calls in Hinsdale to homes with young children involving issues such as domestic violence, drug abuse, etc.
- The challenges of accessing services in a rural area with limited public transportation to service providers in Keene, NH (where most services are located)

Next Steps

With funding secured to get ACERT off the ground, the next step is to hire a Police Social Worker to oversee the program and conduct training for first responders and other partners.

We look forward to seeing the progress and ultimate outcomes and are proud to have played a role in obtaining this funding.

Sincerely,
Chris Coates, Cheshire County Administrator
Larry Monson, General Manager Monadnock Ford
Rose Novotny, Assistant Vice President Bank of NH
Imagine What We Can Do Together General Campaign Co-Chairs

staff come into the office to process gifts received via US Mail. We are asking donors to use our safe, secure [donation portal](#) whenever possible. However, we gratefully accept checks from anyone who prefers to donate in that manner and we will ensure that they are processed in a timely manner.

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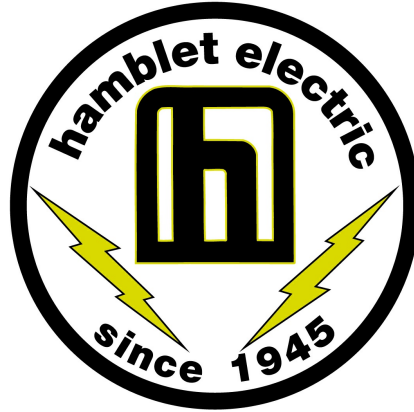
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