

FY2023 Buncombe County Tipping Point Grant Mid-Year Report

Organization Name:	Sunrise Community for Recovery and Wellness
Project Name:	Cultivating Connection

Activities Accomplished	Annual Goal	Amount Completed
Number of individuals served	50	46
Percent of participants that improved health, reduced barriers and isolation	90%	96%

Expenses (please list <u>all</u> grant related expenses)	Amount Spent
Hygiene Items (shampoo, conditioner, travel bottles, body wash, toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, vitamin C, bandaides, comb/brush, wipes)	\$ 676.73
Cell Phone (3 months of service)	\$ 650.00
Bus Ticket Booklets	\$ 450.00
ID/License	\$ 17.00
Birth Certificate	\$ 148.90
Ingles Gas Card	\$ 45.00
Work boots/shoes	\$ 115.50
Aluminum City Water Flange	\$ 13.66
Eye Glasses/Exam	\$ 79.95
TOTAL:	\$ 2,197

Narrative summary of grant related activities

Cultivating Connection kicked off its program starting in July. We started with basic necessities like hygiene kits, phones, bus tickets and ID/Birth Certificate. Later we found out that there was a greater need for other items besides the initial ones listed. The criteria for this program is to serve those that fall between the cracks or don't meet specific criteria of our other programs. With Cultivating Connection we want to support participants and give them the opportunity for wellness no matter what their situation is. We provided 115 hygiene bags, 10 phones, 3 duplicates of birth certificates, 3 pairs of work boots, 2 Ingles gas cards, 1 license duplicate, 1 eye exam and glasses and 1 aluminum city water flange for a participant's camper. Our program served 46 individuals from July to December and we are expected to serve many more. From our satisfaction surveys a lot of our participants shared what a huge impact this program has made in their lives.

Description of participants:

"family of 9 living in their car. Worked with UMOJA to meet basic needs. will need home furnishings, mens shoes, infant - teen clothing" "Jordan is currently houseless and we encountered him at AHOPE. Upon speaking with him he asked about hygiene products and we supplied them. He inquired about housing and we referred him to the housing specialist at AHOPE"

"Recently unhoused, staying at jubilee - needed hygiene resources"

"Met him at AHOPE and he said he needed shoes and a phone to be able to get a job"

"Has been unhoused for 3+ years, looking for housing resources for her, her partner and pup"

"Kevin is currently homeless and is obtaining info about the resources for getting housing, he needed bus tickets"

"Resources for detox and treatment"

"Participant recently was released from BCDF and the first place he came was the recovery center. He has lost everything and was in need of a birth certificate, transportation, recovery resources and hygiene items. We were able to provide all of those for him and he's going to see if the MAT program will be able to get his birth certificate from Florida if not we will help him with that process when he comes back" "Participant came in for housing connection. We provided a blanket, tent and a booklet of tickets"

"Stephen connected peer with Tanasia to have a one on one session. During our conversation she shared that she is currently houseless and has recently had everything stolen from her including her phone and bus pass. She is on the list for housing and is looking for employment. Staff were able to provide her with a phone and a booklet of bus tickets to communicate back and forth with multiple employers as well as check in daily with her status with housing"