

TOWN OF WATERFORD
GENERAL FUND
2025-2026 PROPOSED BUDGET

DEPT/AGENCY: 10133 PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING SERVICE

LINE ITEM	DESCRIPTION	2023-2024 ACTUAL EXPENDED	2024-2025 RTM APPROP.	2024-2025 ADDITIONAL/ TRANSFERS	ACTUAL EXPEND & ENCUMB AS OF 1/1/25	2025-2026 DEPT/ AGENCY REQUEST	2025-2026 BD OF SELECTMEN APPROVED	2025-2026 BOARD OF FINANCE APPROVED	BOF Approved \$ Increase	BOF Approved % Increase
CONTRACTED OUTSIDE AGENCIES										
58010	PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING	15,653	26,297		26,297	21,600	21,600	21,600	(4,697)	-17.86%
	SUBTOTAL	15,653	26,297	0	26,297	21,600	21,600	21,600	(4,697)	-17.86%
DEPARTMENT TOTAL		15,653	26,297	0	26,297	21,600	21,600	21,600	(4,697)	-17.86%

BUDGET NARRATIVEs—TOWN OF WATERFORD

July 1, 2025- June 30, 2026

We annually estimate the expenditure for services for those residents who are uninsured and cannot afford to pay for care with their own fund. This year we will discontinue offering Nurse Managed Clinics, Blood pressure and Foot clinics due to a return to our core business of Home Health.

The budget for Yale New Haven Health- Health at Home- Southeast (YNHH-HAH- Southeast) service will include the home health skilled visit charge of \$180 per nursing visit.

YNHH-HAH Southeast is committed to providing healthcare services to the town at an appropriate level.

The agency is a state-licensed, Medicare-certified, home care organization. YNHH- HAH Southeast underwent a reporting structure change. YNHH-HAH- Southeast reports to Yale New Haven Health System rather than Lawrence and Memorial Corporation.

Indigent Care/Health Promotion

Home visits to residents at risk for handicapping conditions or hospitalizations are made under consultation with the family physician. A plan is established to assist the resident to remain safely at home,

Home healthcare services including nursing, therapies, home health aide and social workers are provided under a plan of care when the resident is uninsured or underinsured and meets the financial criteria for free or subsidized care.

There is a continued need for assistance with care for those who are struggling to stay independent at home. The need for free care has reduced in the past few years due to the greater use of CT expanded Medicaid. At this time it is unknown whether the expansion will continue.

VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEASTERN CONNECTICUT, INC.

July 1, 2025- June 30, 2026

Program	Units Per Year	Rate	Service	Estimated Cost/Year
Homecare Visits for the Indigent	As needed not to exceed Budget (estimated at 10 home visits/month)	\$180/Visit	Skilled RN Home Health Visits	\$21,600.00
			Total	\$21,6000.00

Kimberly Allen

From: Desantis, Karen <Karen.Desantis@YNHH.ORG>
Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2025 10:22 AM
To: Rebecca Hall
Cc: Kimberly Allen
Subject: RE: Scheduling for Town of Waterford Budget Hearing

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Thank you Rebecca. For the future my cell phone is 203-313-0026. You may always contact me on that number as that is my personal cell.

1. In the **Wellness** programs we see approx. 52 patients per month. Most of these are people who come back month after month.
Over the course of the year there were 621 visits to the clinics.

In the **indigent care** program we see between 6-10 patients per month. Usually these are the same people as we maintain them outside of the hospital with monthly visits to help them remain in their homes.

2. Sunsetting these programs will allow the VNA to focus our time, talent and resources on our core business of caring for patients in their homes.

Thank you for your continued partnership,
Karen

From: Rebecca Hall <rhall@waterfordct.org>
Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2025 9:09 AM
To: Desantis, Karen <Karen.Desantis@YNHH.ORG>
Cc: Kimberly Allen <kallen@waterfordct.org>
Subject: RE: Scheduling for Town of Waterford Budget Hearing

Good morning Karen,

I will begin with my sincerest apologies for last night's meeting arrangement. The Board of Finance held the regular board meeting at the scheduled time (7:00pm) and finished extraordinarily early (7:31pm). The Budget Hearing meeting began early and the Board did not have after-hours contact information for you. Had we known you would have access to your work email, we would have resorted to that means of communication. I apologize for your commute to Town Hall and no one being present to meet to you after soliciting you to attend the meeting.

All of that being said, the Board of Finance has approved your budget of \$21,600.

The Board posed two (2) questions for you and if you can kindly respond via email, it will be appreciated.

1. What is the number of Waterford residents that the VNA has serviced in the past year?
2. What effects has the change of Yale New Haven cutting funding/programs had on the VNA?

Thank you,

Becky Hall

Finance Administrative Assistant

Town of Waterford

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From: Desantis, Karen <Karen.Desantis@YNHH.ORG>

Sent: Wednesday, March 12, 2025 8:49 PM

To: Rebecca Hall <rhall@waterfordct.org>

Cc: Kimberly Allen <kallen@waterfordct.org>

Subject: Re: Scheduling for Town of Waterford Budget Hearing

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I was here at 9 o'clock, but I guess the meeting ended early. Please let me know if there's anything you'd like me to do.

Karen

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From: Rebecca Hall <rhall@waterfordct.org>

Sent: Thursday, March 6, 2025 8:54:11 AM

To: Desantis, Karen <Karen.Desantis@YNHH.ORG>

Cc: Kimberly Allen <kallen@waterfordct.org>

Subject: Scheduling for Town of Waterford Budget Hearing

Good morning Karen,

The Board of Finance would like to review your budget request for FY26 on **Wednesday, March 12, 2025 at 9pm** (this Budget Hearing immediately follows the BOF Regular Meeting that begins at 7pm).

Please confirm that you are able to present your budget on that date.

Thank you,

Becky Hall

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