

1/27/2021

Non-profit Agencies

Account #

1059-5926	July 4 th Events (C of C)	\$ 15,300
1059-5928	Bar Harbor Band	\$ 11,656
1059-5930	Jesup Memorial Library	\$156,000
1059-5932	Village Holidays (C of C)	\$ 9,000
1059-5934	YMCA	\$104,000

Miscellaneous

1036-5924	Island Explorer	\$ 40,902
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Town of Bar Harbor
Town Manager, Cornell Knight
93 Cottage Street
Bar Harbor, ME 04609

December 9, 2020

Dear Mr. Knight,

On behalf of the Bar Harbor Chamber of Commerce, I would like to thank the Town of Bar Harbor, the Town Councilors, and the citizens of Bar Harbor for supporting the annual Village Holidays event coordinated by the Chamber earlier this month.

The Town of Bar Harbor's contribution to our 2020 Village Holidays Celebration was \$5,880.00 which was used to purchase new decorations, install lights, garland, and wreaths in parts of the downtown area, purchase and decorate the Town's Christmas tree, and provide a family-friendly Santa Claus procession. We estimate that roughly 150-200 children and parents attended the procession as it made its way through downtown.

Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Town of Bar Harbor had agreed to provide \$15,000.00 for the July 4th parade and fireworks display in support of this great town event. The total cost of the parade, musical entertainment, and fireworks display is nearly \$40,000, the balance of which is raised by the Bar Harbor Chamber.

At this time, the Chamber requests a continuation of support for these events in the 2021 calendar year at the same financial levels that were budgeted for 2020. We are optimistic that with the arrival of COVID-19 vaccines, we may be able to hold the July 4th festivities similarly to years prior to 2020. However, if we are not able to move forward with the event, we would, of course, not need this funding. At this time, we are confident that we will again be able to hold the Village Holidays festivities in December 2021.

The Bar Harbor Chamber of Commerce appreciates the opportunity to partner with the Town of Bar Harbor in putting on these important community events. If you have any questions about the above requests, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alf Anderson", with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

Alf Anderson
Executive Director
Bar Harbor Chamber of Commerce

Jesup Memorial Library

Information for FY2021 Budget

This has been, for everyone a Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Year (with apologies to Judith Viorst for riffing on her brilliant book for children and everyone.) Almost every activity of the Jesup has been significantly disrupted and we have had to find a new way to provide most of the elements of our public service. We are fortunate that the staff and board of directors of the Jesup have pitched in to support creative approaches to meeting our community's needs.

Our mission includes providing books, audio and download books, DVD's, databases, and a wide range of programming for all ages and interests in the community we serve. We offer a neutral space to meet, learn, and do; to create and to cooperate. In 2020 we had to close our doors for an extended time, but we reached out to the public to provide wifi access and make sure people knew about the online services we have available. Through the online platform Zoom we were able to offer programs, which have been well attended by people from all over the world. We've also been able to record the programs and make them available through our website for those who can't attend when the program is presented, which has also broadened our audience.

We continue to track down information and answer questions, help people with internet access and printing, and provide them with books and other materials for use at home. Our Youth Services Librarian has started an online cooking show with a local caterer, based on children's books. She has also recorded online storytimes and visited other organizations to give online tours. We've made bags of books available on a variety of topics or themes.

The one bright spot in our being closed was that it allowed us to dig up the front yard completely to get the waterproofing down to the bottom of the foundation done quickly without impeding patrons.

The Jesup Memorial Library serves everyone equally as Bar Harbor's free-access public library. It is a private nonprofit organization, rather than a municipal department. Our funding comes from many sources; in 2020 we expected to receive 34% of our income from donations, 29% from our trusts and reserve funds; 8% from grants and miscellaneous sources, and 29% from the Town of Bar Harbor. Thanks to your support, the Town now gives the Jesup \$27.80 for each citizen of Bar Harbor. Almost 4,800 people have active Jesup Library cards, including more than 3,500 with Bar Harbor addresses.

Submitted by Ruth A. Eveland, Director,
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Cornell Knight, Town Manager
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Dear Mr. Knight and the Bar Harbor Town Council,

The MDI YMCA is not requesting an increase in funding for this coming year's town budget. We would like for the funding to remain the same.

The funding from the Town of Bar Harbor is more critical now than ever before. With the COVID-19 Pandemic the MDI Y has experienced a significant loss of membership, program, and special event revenue. Yet, we have found a way to remain open for the residents of Bar Harbor and the greater MDI community. Along with the funding from the town, federal assistance, state support and accelerated fundraising, we have been able to continue to operate.

During this challenging time, we have provided emergency childcare for essential workers, worked closely with the school to provide remote learning for those children, provided a full summer of day camp following safety guidelines from the CDC and American Camping Association, checked in with senior citizens to make sure they were okay and provided free virtual exercise classes for members of the community.

As the pandemic rages across the country and Maine, we are not sure what the future holds and how soon things will get back to some sort of normal. We do know that the MDI YMCA will be here asking "What can we do to help?" We appreciate the partnership with the Town of Bar Harbor and know that will get through this time by working together.

Sincerely,

Thomas Parham
Executive Director

The Mount Desert Island YMCA is a 501(c)3 Non profit organization. All donations are tax deductible.

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The Mission of the MDI YMCA is to develop community, character, personal growth and wellness in spirit, mind and body for the greater MDI community