

Program:	Martha's Vineyard Community Services, Inc./Counseling, Outreach, Referral and Education (CORE)						Primary Contact for questions:	
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Mission Statement								
The mission of MV Community Services is to commit our unique experience, expertise, and compassion to help our entire community be as vibrant, healthy, and strong as it can be. The aim of CORE is address the significant inter-related health, behavioral health, social and case management needs of elders' age 55+. Most CORE clients require in-home support due to medical and mobility issues, as well as other frailties and vulnerabilities. Medicare and other insurances do not pay for this level of care. As such, alternate funding is needed for elders who mostly live on a limited income.								
Brief program description								
A clinician and care manager provide CORE assessment, mental health and substance use treatment, medical and medication monitoring, transitions into and out of the hospital, care management, and referral and care coordination for medical, mental health, and other social services. This small team also assesses the functional needs of older adults, such as housing and food insecurity, transportation, heat and utilities, socialization and support, and more, and takes direct action to address these needs.								
Who qualifies for services								
Islanders aged 55+ are eligible for CORE who meet eligibility criteria of medical and/or mental health need and are mostly isolated at home due to their conditions and/or frailty are our key clients.								
"Adjacent" Agencies								
CORE receives referrals from the Councils on Aging, Martha's Vineyard Hospital, including its Emergency Department and associated Providers, Island Health Care, Hospice, and other agencies who serve the elder population but do not have clinical or outreach resources to consistently monitor and address the often complex needs of this vulnerable population.								
What if we didn't exist?								
If older adult islanders, isolated at home, with complex medical and mental health issues, and few if any resources to navigate the complicated and often difficult to access healthcare system, we would see older Islanders at great risk for serious medical and mental health consequences. CORE offers consistent, predictable, and accountable assessment and intervention services so that risk factors are notes and addressed in a timely manner before situations escalate to a level where hospitalization or worse is the result.								
Benefits								
1. Healthcare needs are identified and addressed swiftly before preventable challenges become potentially life threatening consequences. 2. The CORE team serves as a "connector" between and among the variety of medical, mental health, and social services Providers involved in the elder's life. CORE ensures good communication and care coordination exists for the client. 3. CORE also provides for a variety of other life challenges, like transportation to/from medical appointments, care coordination after appointments - especially speciality appointments and treatments, food and housing-related needs, and other social services.								

Requested from towns:	Total	Aquinnah	Chilmark	Edgartown	Oak Bluffs	Tisbury	West Tisbury
Allocation *	100%	2.82%	10.44%	32.66%	21.33%	18.56%	14.19%
	\$ 101,741.00	\$ 2,869.10	\$ 10,621.76	\$ 33,228.61	\$ 21,701.36	\$ 18,883.13	\$ 14,437.05

* Allocation % is based on the 50/50 formula: 50% based on population, 50% based on equalized Real Estate value (adjusted annually)