

SCOFIELD MANOR

Stamford's residential care home

REQUEST FOR FY23 OPERATING SUPPORT

Stamford Board of Representatives Fiscal Committee

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REQUEST FOR FY23 OPERATING SUPORT

- Charter Oak Communities (COC) requests \$466,412 to continue operating the 50-bed, City-owned Residential Care Home (RCH), Scofield Manor.
- COC and the City are committed to preserving this link in the continuum of care for Stamford's most vulnerable residents and are pursuing alternatives to place Scofield on a sustainable financial and operational footing.
- In the short term, however, Scofield Manor continues to run a structural operating deficit and requires the requested funding for its continued operation.

PROGRAM BACKGROUND

- Residential Care Homes offer a continuum of residential support and care for occupants with limited financial means who are living with mental and/or physical disabilities.
- RCH's provide an array of supportive services, personalized assistance, and health care and pharmacological support to meet residents' diverse needs.
- This unique combination of specialized services fills the gap between independent living and far more costly skilled nursing home level of care.
- Scofield Manor is the only Residential Care Home in Stamford and the only RCH is operated and managed by Charter Oak Communities.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

	Budget FY 2023			
Revenue				
Resident Revenue	\$ 2,278,274			
Other Revenue	266,441			
City of Stamford Grant	466,412			
Total Revenue	3,011,127			
Operating Expenses				
Administrative	740,752			
Maintenance	239,481			
Utilities	136,538			
Tenant Services	1,819,764			
Other	74,592			
Total Op Expenses	3,011,127			
Net Operating Gain/Loss	-			

TRENDING - PROJECTION

	Actual FY 2022		Budget FY 2023		Forecast FY 2024		Forecast FY 2025	
Revenue								
Resident Revenue	\$	2,162,840	\$	2,278,274	\$	2,323,839	\$	2,370,316
Other Revenue		226,045		266,441		225,030		229,531
City of Stamford Grant		323,823		466,412		531,943		601,805
Total Revenue		2,712,708		3,011,127		3,080,812		3,201,652
Operating Expenses								
Administrative		697,792		740,752		765,029		807,338
Maintenance		228,617		239,481		244,270		253,210
Utilities		124,182		136,538		139,269		146,014
Tenant Services		1,707,171		1,819,764		1,856,160		1,917,686
Other		79,395		74,592		76,084		77,404
Total Op Expenses		2,837,157		3,011,127		3,080,812		3,201,652
Net Operating Gain/Loss		(124,449)		-		-		-

REVENUE DRIVERS

- Occupancy rates: Occupancy is currently hovering at about 90%.
 - While indicating that Scofield Manor is a needed facility, this suboptimal occupancy rate impacts our Medicaid revenue.
 - A full complement of staffing is State-mandated, but we are only reimbursed based upon the resident census.
- State reimbursement: Scofield Manor was 'flat funded' by the State for **eight years**, although costs have increased at the rate of inflation.
 - After several years without an adjustment from DSS, its main funding source, State Medicaid payments have increased in the past year by \$7.73 per patient day, an increase of only 5.91%.

EXPENSE DRIVERS

- <u>Medical coordination</u>: With high acuity level of residents, nurses are responsible for managing 600+ daily medications, hospital transfers, physician visits, COVID protocols, and visiting therapeutic services.
- Qualified staffing: The shortage of available staff having required certifications forces temporary outsourcing for licensed nursing and attendants.
- <u>Utilities and Food</u>: Electricity and heating oil costs have increased 20% to 50%; Food is 22% above previous years' cost.
- Extraordinary maintenance: Although the City is responsible for capital replacement (e.g., boiler, roofing), COC provides ongoing repairs to this 90+ year old facility (e.g., piping, pumps, tanks, etc.).

SUMMARY

- The City's support for Scofield Manor is vital to provide this essential service to our most vulnerable residents, most of whom would no longer be able to live on their own.
- Until a long-term alternative has been identified and implemented, the city grant will
 ensure the continuation of essential functions not covered under State reimbursement.
- While COC has made strides in stabilizing Scofield Manor's financial position, COC is unable to absorb current and projected financial losses without additional financial support from the City.
- Therefore, under present operating conditions, Scofield Manor is not sustainable without the City Grant and requires \$466,412 to cover costs for the 2023 fiscal year.



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QUESTIONS and COMMENTS

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