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**Merrimack Valley Assistance Program (MVAP) receives \$150,000
Housing for Everyone Grant from TD Charitable Foundation**

Support from the TD Charitable Foundation will enable MVAP to enhance housing services for folks living with HIV/AIDS, and significantly boost efforts to provide comprehensive care and support to clients.

Manchester, NH, May 16, 2024 – MVAP, New Hampshire’s largest HIV/AIDS Service Organization, was recently awarded a \$150,000 [Housing for Everyone grant](#) from the TD Charitable Foundation, the charitable giving arm of [TD Bank](#), America's Most Convenient Bank®.

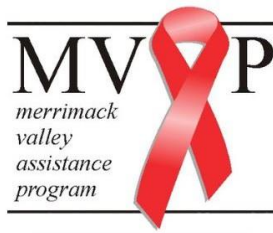
MVAP is one of 37 non-profit organizations selected from more than 450 applicants to receive a Housing for Everyone grant as part of the TD Charitable Foundation's annual grant program that has helped support organizations providing affordable housing and affordable housing services since 2005.

In recent years the housing affordability crisis has continued to escalate. As individuals and families across the country struggle with inflation and an exponential rise in rental costs, affordable housing providers face increased hardship due to the growing demand for affordable rental units and emergency rental assistance. This grant will support affordable housing solutions and comprehensive wraparound services to individuals living with HIV/AIDS in New Hampshire. This grant will enable MVAP to continually empower clients, while fostering financial security and facilitating access to affordable and stable housing.

“Housing is a human right and shouldn’t be so challenging to secure and maintain” said Daniel Amato, Executive Director at Merrimack Valley Assistance Program.

"These organizations are making it their primary mission to help relieve some of the most vulnerable members of our community — those who are unsheltered or experiencing homelessness due to higher eviction rates as pandemic-era programs have ended or financial insecurity grows through inflation or other factors," said Paige Carlson-Heim, Director of the TD Charitable Foundation. "Housing for Everyone grant recipients are working closely with TD to improve access by creating innovative solutions that are helping to create a more sustainable and inclusive future for everyone. It is a privilege to support our 2024 Housing for Everyone grant recipients and to continue to be a part of this imperative work."

Through the 18th annual Housing for Everyone grant competition, the TD Charitable Foundation awarded \$7 million across the Bank's Maine-to-Florida footprint and Michigan to help support affordable housing organizations in preserving affordable rental housing stock; through delivering rental assistance, rehabilitating affordable rental housing properties, and building organizational capacity to address resident sustainability for the long-term. Since 2005, the TD Charitable Foundation has given more than \$49 million dollars to non-profit and charitable



organizations through the Housing for Everyone grant competition and helped support more than 550 affordable housing projects and initiatives.

The Housing for Everyone grant competition supports TD's longstanding commitment to community enrichment through TD's corporate citizenship platform, [The TD Ready Commitment](#), which actively promotes inclusivity, economic vitality, and environmental wellbeing, enabling people of all backgrounds to succeed in a rapidly changing world. Learn more about Housing for Everyone and find a full list of this year's grant recipients on [TD's website](#).

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About Merrimack Valley Assistance Program (MVAP)

Founded in 1995 by dedicated volunteers to combat the AIDS epidemic, Merrimack Valley Assistance Program (MVAP) has grown into the largest and only state-licensed case management AIDS Service Organization (ASO) in New Hampshire, specializing in care and assistance for individuals living with HIV/AIDS. As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization governed by a volunteer Board of Directors, MVAP offers a wide range of services including case management, housing assistance, support services, and community referrals. More information is available at <http://www.mvap.org>

About the TD Charitable Foundation

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