#### October 2022 PLC:

## The Trestle Fund Project: Concrete Supports for NH Families

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## Children's Bureau Updates



# PREVENTION



#### MISSION

New Hampshire Children's Trust is leading the drive to ensure safe, stable, nurturing environments for all New Hampshire children.

#### VISION

We envison a New Hampshire where all children grow up free from abuse and neglect.



Engaging Families, Programs, and Communities in Building Key Protective Factors ...

#### NH FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

#### Facilitating Organization













OPERATIONAL & QUALITY CONTROL STANDARDS

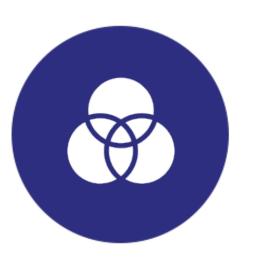


ADVOCACY & COLLABORATION



TRAINING & TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE





SHARED MEASUREMENT

# IF YOU HAVE A BIRTH TO 18

#### trestle noun

tres-tle

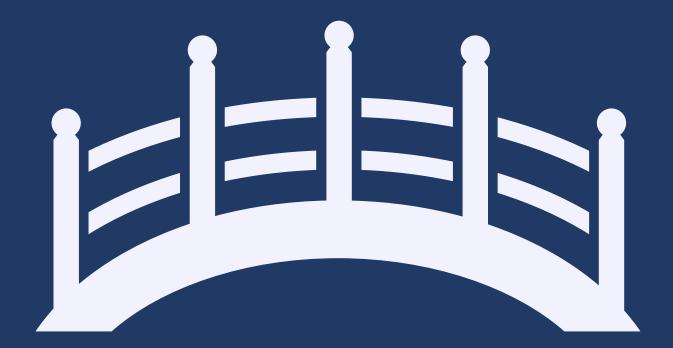
1: a braced frame serving as a support.

fund noun

'fund

1: a sum of money or other resources whose principal or interest is set apart for a specific objective.

#### Trestle Fund



CONCRETE SUPPORT FOR NH FAMILIES

## Context

Ensuring families' access to supportive programs, services, and financial resources builds on family strengths, increases protective factors, and ameliorates the impact of poverty on individuals' overall health and wellbeing.

## Challenge

Over the last two years, existing systemic barriers compounded by Covid-19 and the Pandemic response, an increasingly volatile economy, and rising inflation have pushed NH families into economic turmoil.

## Response

New Hampshire Charitable Foundation, New Hampshire Children's Trust, and NH's Family Resource Center Network established a partnership to support the growing number of families experiencing financial hardship. The Trestle Fund Concrete Supports for NH families launched in January 2022.

#### OBJECTIVES + OPPORTUNITY

Provide

low barrier, discretionary funding to NH family resource centers to meet emerging family needs.

Leverage

community partnerships and systems that strengthen families.

Empower

family support programs by increasing provider capacity to meet family needs in real time.

Promote

safe, stable and nurturing relationships and environments for all NH children and families.





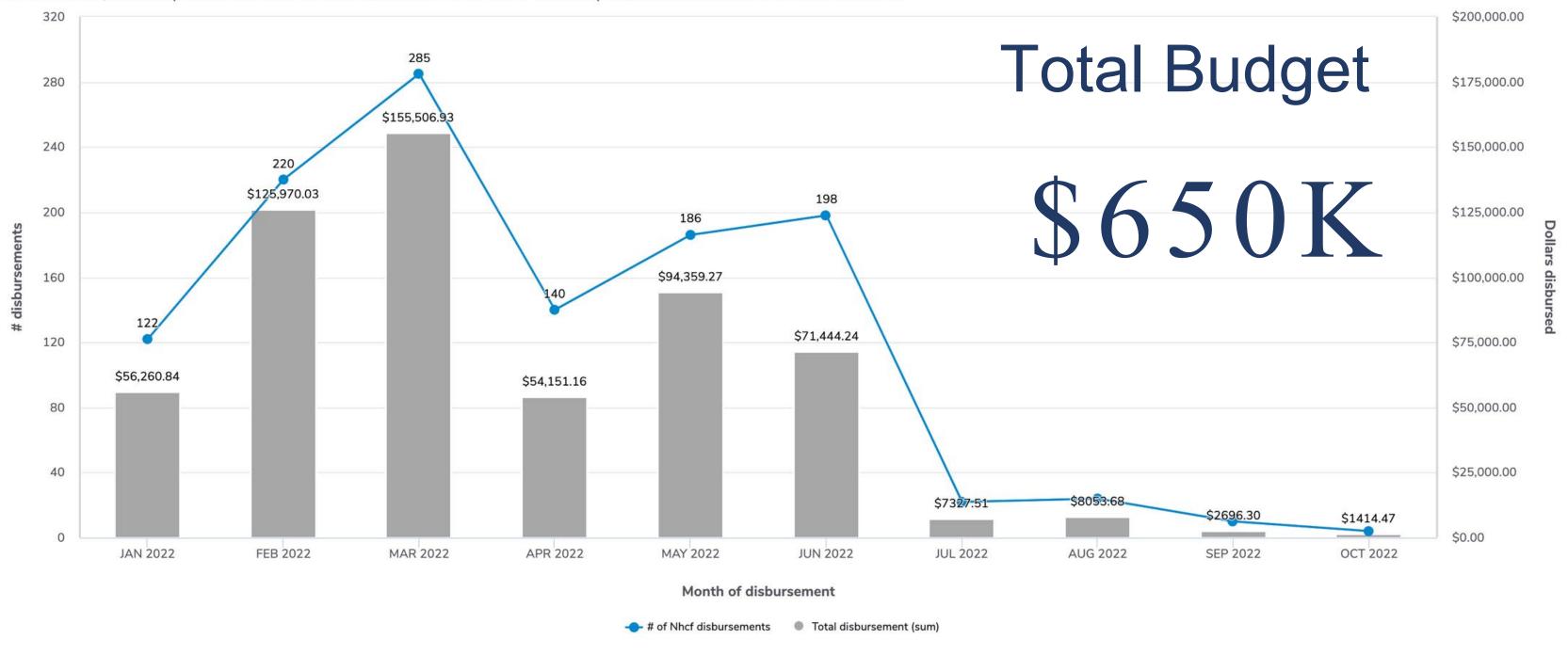
## Funding Parameters

- Direct financial assistance to NH families
  w/minor children (0 -18 yrs)
- New or existing families
- Up to \$1000 per family \*
- Low barrier = No income limits, minimal restrictions, easily accessible



#### Total # of disbursements and total \$ disbursed by month

For each month, the line represents the number of disbursements that month while the bar represents the total dollars distributed that month.



### How were the dollars spent?



Between January 1 to today, NH FRC have made 1,211 disbursements to families in 143 cities and towns totaling \$577,184.18



The average disbursement was \$476.00, while the highest and lowest disbursements were \$3,500 and \$7.50, respectively.



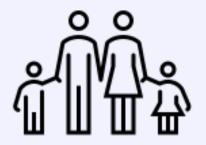
By category, the greatest number of disbursements were in housing (409), transportation (358), and childcare (135).

## Who received support?

#### Family Composition



The greatest number and amounts of disbursement went to single caregiver families, followed by two-parent families.



Family composition, ages of children, household size and total disbursements	
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Family composition	Household size (avg)	Children 0 to 2 (tot)	Children 3 to 5 (tot)	Children 6 to 12 (tot)	Children 13 to 18 (tot)	children	Number of Nhcf disbursements	Total disbursement (tot)
-	2	31	22	43	17	113	63	\$20,177.70
Two parent family	4	274	181	284	111	850	417	\$200,684.11
Blended family	5	23	31	67	27	148	53	\$26,830.30
Caregiver living with extended family	4	20	26	43	18	107	61	\$27,203.38
Single caregiver	3	226	221	401	154	1002	548	\$270,835.03
Single caregiver with unrelated partner	4	7	16	36	15	74	39	\$16,386.74
Other	4	7	10	25	3	45	30	\$15,067.17
Totals (7 groups)	3	588	507	899	345	2339	1211	\$577,184.43

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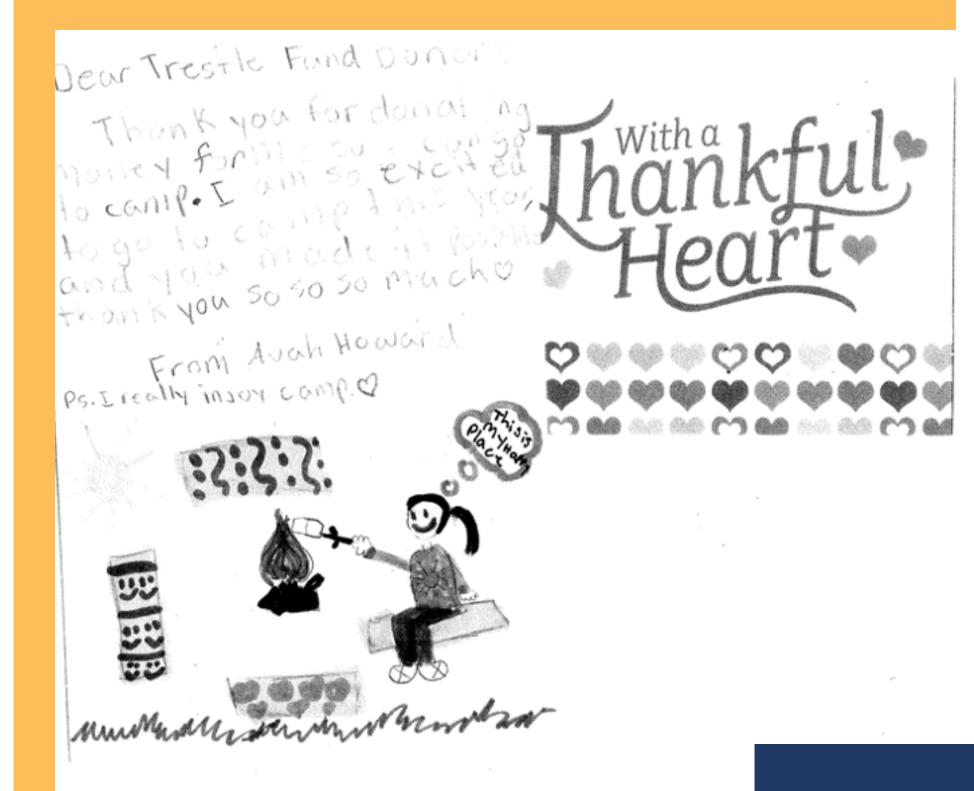
# Disbursements	Income Sources	Total
450	Wages & Salary from Employment	\$261,692.31
259	Unknown	\$82,275.26
174	Some Public Assistance	\$86,419.70
115	Other Income Source	\$40,909.69
82	No Income	\$30,926.01
17	Child Support	\$9,882.25

#### Dear Trestle Fund,

Thank you so much for donating money so I can go to camp. I am so excited to go to camp and you made it possible. Thank you so, so, so much.

From A.





IMPACT

#### I wanted to share, so you understood...

"The impact these funds have made to create support for families who are working hard and taking care of the children and members within their families, this is just over the top amazing.

I wanted to share, so that you understood how wonderful it has been to provide these opportunities to reduce stress, to bring joy, to help families manage challenges."

The Upper Room, Derry NH

#### ... the ripple effect is so far-reaching.

"I did a home visit today with a family who we were able to help with money from the Trestle Funds and the change in their lives has been amazing, one positive change has led to many more, the ripple effect is so far-reaching. Thank you for providing this funding to the Family Resource Centers- we are so appreciative of NH Children's Trust and the important impact you have on so many families."

Family Connections Resource Center Children Unlimited, Conway NH

## Innovation & Opportunity

#### Family Protective Factors

Public Awareness

Community Engagement



Thriving Children & Families

New & Leveraged Funds

# WHEN WE SUPPORT OUR FAMILIES

# We





NEW HAMPSHIRE CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

## QUESTIONS?





