



First Quarter Report: 10/1/23 - 12/31/23

1. Update on suitable housing locations and collaborate with other partners to ensure the project remains within constraints and continues through completion.

UVS in partnership with Downstreet Housing are working to develop the Water Street property in Randolph Center and to advance the Waterbury apartment project. Both projects are progressing on schedule.

2. Update how Downstreet Housing and Community Development pre-development activities on the Water Street location to ensure progress is being made and there is collaboration, assigning roles, delegation tasks and effective communication.

The RFP for the Water Street pre-development scope of services is being finalized and will be launched by Downstreet Director of Real Estate Development, Nicola Anderson in January, 2024. The team of UVS Executive Director, Gloria Quinn, Housing and Services Coordinator, Deb Reed, and Facilities Technician, Brice Blaisdell, along with Downstreet's Director of Real Estate Development, Nicola Anderson and Assistant, Nathan Davidson have a monthly standing meeting to ensure collaboration, communication and momentum on these two projects. Ward Joyce has been approved to complete an as built drawings for Water Street house, Randolph to be used in the RFP documents and scheduled for January 2024.

3. Update on Downstreet's progress on the plan to help people with disabilities find homes and use of architecture experts to make a manual for other developers.

This aspect of the grant is being directed through the Education and Engagement team and not Downstreet. This work is scheduled to begin in the second quarter of the grant.

4. Update on the progress of the housing development documentary.

Videographer, Skip Whitman, has been kept apprised of the work to date and will be preparing a story board to frame the scope of the video and present this to the Education and Engagement team so that we can create a timeline of dates that he will shoot footage and conduct interviews key to this product.

5. Update on the planning workshops for parents and providers and the benefits it is providing to families to create new and innovative housing projects. How will work include collaboration with architects Ward Joyce, and Taryn Barrett.

The parent workgroup and all members of the UVS community received the press release showcasing the grant award and scope of work. Parents meetings will resume in 2024 over Zoom and with the increased knowledge and advocacy provided by Housing and Service Coordinators, we have seen two UVS clients transition into homes purchased by their families – one in October 2023 and the other planned for February 2024. This is a positive reflection on changing the narrative and working with parents to identify creative partnerships that expand beyond the traditional shared living model increasing choice, person centered planning, stability and permanence.

Ward Joyce and Taryn Barrett are part of the Housing Grant Committee and the Education and Engagement workgroup. This group is meeting monthly.

6. Update on any unknown fees and services related to above goals.

Nothing to report at this time.

7. Update on consultation with an individual with lived experience and how they have provided advice and guidance during the development of UVS projects.

Several UVS clients have been actively engaged in a study of housing options, and one has been identified and has agreed to participate as part of this grant. Deb Reed met with the Buchanan family in October to engage the interest of

daughter, Laura, who will be served by the Water Street property. We envision the inclusion of these two and possibly a third person with lived experience to provide advice and guidance to the development of the UVS housing options projects.