

Welcome to the Town of New Ipswich



*New Hampshire's First Purple
Heart Community*

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A Capsule History of New Ipswich, NH

The physical characteristics of New Ipswich made it an ideal location for industry in the early days of its settlement. Hills, mountains and valleys with riverlets emptying



into the larger Souhegan River provided a surplus of water power to run the many saw mills, grist mills, starch mills and textile manufacturing plants in the Town's past. Today, the only textile mill still in existence and operational is the Warwick Mill, which is now call Warwick Mills. This mill is notable as an example of fine brick work, as well as being the site of the second textile manufacturing plant established in New Hampshire.

New Ipswich is a town of villages. Wilder Village to the west on Route 124 was the site of the Wilder Chair Factory from 1810 to 1869 and was home to the famous and much sought after Wilder Chair. Continuing toward the Center Village is Davis Village and then to the South is Smith Village. To the East of Center Village are Bank Village and High Bridge. During the past century, each of these villages was a busy community with its own industry. Today these villages are mainly residential.

The first permanent settler in this town was Abijah Foster, who came here from Ipswich, Massachusetts in 1735. His son, Ebenezer, was the first child born in New Ipswich.

The names of Kidder, Farrar, Preston, Appleton and Wheeler, among others, are well known in New Ipswich as being early settlers with many of their descendants still living here. However, there are now many Finnish names in the New Ipswich records. At the turn of the century, Finnish families from Fitchburg, Massachusetts began arriving to establish farms or continue farming on older farms. As the Finnish population increased, others came from Finland to settle here.



The Barrett Mansion, 23 Main Street, built c. 1800, is noteworthy as an example of late 18th century architecture in the grand manner. The house is owned by the Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities of New Hampshire. It is open to the public June through October 15, the Second and Fourth Saturday of the month; guided tours are offered on the hour, 11am-4pm. Tours are free for New Ipswich residents. Contact the Barrett House Site Manager at 860-928-4074.

The old burial ground, established in 1753 and the Town Pound beside it are of interest. They are located off Porter Hill Road.

New Ipswich Academy, later known as New Ipswich Appleton Academy, was incorporated in 1789. It was one of the oldest academies in New Hampshire, second only to Phillips Academy at Exeter and was established as a result of the many educated families in this and neighboring towns desiring certain education



advantages for their sons. Appleton Academy continued to serve New Ipswich and surrounding towns as a high school until 1966, when the Mascenic School District was formed and the building was sold for use as a private boy's school. Although the academy has been located at different places in town, the existing building is on the same site as the building built in 1853 which burned in 1941. In 1977, the School District purchased the Academy and was used as an elementary school until the new school was finished in 2011.

In 2007, through volunteer efforts, the town developed its first website, www.townofnewipswich.org where residents can get direct information of the town functions. A newly designed website and a Town Facebook page are being launched in 2018.

In 2017, New Ipswich was the first town in New Hampshire to be declared a Purple Heart Community. August 7 is Purple Heart day. Businesses, organizations and residents are encouraged to display the American Flag and other public expressions in honor of our Purple Heart recipients.

TOWN GOVERNMENT

New Ipswich has a form of government led by a three member Board of Selectmen. They are elected to serve as the governing body and one is elected each March for a three year term. In 2006, the Town established the position of Town Administrator to handle the daily administrative operations of the town. The Selectmen's meetings are held every Tuesday night in the Town Office at 6:00 p.m. These meetings are open to the public. Meeting agendas are posted at the Town Office, New Ipswich Post Office and on the Town website (www.townofnewipswich.org).

Selectmen

The Board of Selectmen (RSA 41:8 B-e) function as the Town's executive branch, and is the agent to carry out the actions of the town's legislative branch, the Town Meeting. The Selectmen are charged with managing the "prudential affairs of the town".

Board of Assessors

The Board of Assessors consists of three elected officials. The purpose of the Board is to assure that all properties are consistently and equitably assessed. The town contracts with an outside assessing firm to verify assessment data. The Board processes abatement applications, intents to cut, timber tax, current use, excavation tax levies and veterans' tax credits as well as elderly exemptions, blind exemptions, deaf exemptions and solar exemptions. Meetings of the Board of Assessors are held on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Office and are open to the public.

Abatement applications are handled through the Assessing Office and may only be applied for after the final tax bill is received in November and prior to March 1st. Exemptions for elderly, veterans, solar, disabled, deaf and blind tax credits are available through the Assessing Office as well and must be submitted to the Town Office prior to April 15th in order to be effective for the current tax year.

Conservation Commission

The purpose of the Conservation Commission is to ensure the proper utilization and protection of the natural resources, especially watershed resources, of the Town of New Ipswich. The Conservation Commission consists of seven regular members appointed by the Selectmen, seven alternate members appointed in the same manner and associate members appointed by the Conservation Commission. Subcommittees of the Commission include Trails, Communications, Land Acquisition and Water Resources. The Commission meets the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Office and are open to the public.

Planning Board

The Planning Board is responsible for the Master Plan and the Capital Improvements Program. They are also responsible for reviewing and approving applications for subdivisions, lot line adjustments, excavations and site plan reviews. The Board consists of seven members, six of whom are elected and the seventh member is a Selectman. Five alternate members can be appointed by the Board. The Planning Board meets on the first and third Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. of each month and the meetings are open to the Public.

Treasurer

The treasurer is responsible for the custody, deposit and disbursement of town funds. The Treasurer pays out town money only on orders of the Selectmen (RSA 41:26).

Trustees of the Trust Funds

Trustees of the Trust Funds are officials elected to execute a public trust which can include 1) property that is at least partially from a private source with the limitations on the Town's discretion, the terms of the trust set by that private source (RSA 31:19), and 2) public funds which are dedicated to a particular purpose in a way in which the state statutes allow those limitations to last longer than one year (i.e. Capital Reserve Funds and Expendable Trust Funds) (RSA 31:19).

Auditor

The Auditor's duties are to examine the accounts of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Town Clerk, Tax Collector and any other officer or agent handling funds of the town, at close of the fiscal year and at other times if necessary and report on the accuracy of those accounts (RSA 41:31).

Moderator

The Town Moderator is the chief election official in a community (RSA 659:9) and presides over the annual and special Town Meetings, prescribes the rules of proceedings for the Town Meeting and decides questions of order and makes a public declaration of every vote passes (RSA 41:4). The Moderator appoints members of the municipal budget committee (RSA 32:2) and supervises all Town Elections.

Supervisors of the Checklist

The Supervisors prepare, post and revise the checklist of eligible voters according to the guidelines and requirements set forth by the Secretary of State (RSA 654:25). Residents must be registered to vote in local, state and national elections. They can register with the Supervisors of the Checklist at their posted sessions or with the Town Clerk during office hours. Residents may also register to vote on Election Day. Proof of citizenship, age and domicile are required.

Trustees of the Cemeteries

The Cemetery Trustees have the authority to operate and administer the public cemeteries of the community (RSA 289:7).

Emergency Management

Emergency Management has the responsibility of coordinating emergency response during major disasters. Fire, flood, hurricane, earthquakes, prolonged power outages, contamination of food supply, contamination of water supply, degradation of critical facilities and vital systems, disruption of communication systems and other natural, technological or man-made emergencies. The Town of New Ipswich also has "Code Red". When you sign up on the Town's website, you will be notified by your local emergency response team in the event of emergency situations or critical community alerts. Examples include: weather alerts, evacuation notices, bio-terrorism alerts, boil water notices, and missing child reports.

Highway Department

The New Ipswich Highway Department is responsible for maintaining 39 miles of paved roads and 16 miles of gravel roads throughout the town, including grading of roads, maintaining drainage swales and culverts, patching potholes, repairing or replacing street signs and guardrails. Winter reminders can be seen on the town website www.townofnewipswich.org, as well as a link to retrieve and print a driveway permit application and load limit information.

Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer

The duties and responsibilities of this position are to perform building inspections and maintain all necessary records of construction throughout the Town to ensure the safety of life and property and to ensure compliance with all codes and ordinances adopted by the Town of New Ipswich and the State of New Hampshire. In addition, the Code Enforcement Officer is responsible for enforcing compliance with Town Zoning Regulations and Land Use Ordinances.

Permits are available on the Town's website at www.townofnewipswich.org.

Zoning Board of Adjustment

In 1987, the Town of New Ipswich adopted a Zoning Ordinance. The purpose of the Ordinance is to protect the use and enjoyment of property, to promote the orderly and harmonious development of the Town, to promote and conserve the health, safety, convenience and general welfare of the inhabitants of the Town, to lessen the congestion of streets, to lessen the danger from fire and natural disasters, to provide adequate light and air, to prevent the overcrowding of land, to avoid undue concentration of the population, to encourage the provision of housing for persons of all income levels, to preserve and protect public and private water supply, to facilitate the adequate provision of transportation, drainage, schools, parks, open space and other public requirements, to preserve the value of lands and buildings, including the prevention of blight, excessive noise and pollution of the environment, to preserve historic sites, to improve and beautify the Town by encouraging the most appropriate uses of land within the Town.

The Zoning Board consists of five members and five alternate members appointed by the Board of Selectmen. Applications for special exceptions, variances and appeal of administrative decisions are heard by the Board. The Board meets the first Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Offices. Meetings are open to the public.

Town Clerk/Tax Collector

In 2017, the Town Clerk and Tax Collector offices were voted to become one position and held by one person by the Townspeople. All Town Clerks are elected and must live within the town in which they serve. The Town Clerk appoints the Deputy Clerk and the appointment is subject to approval by the Selectmen. The Deputy must also be a resident of the Town and able to perform all the duties of the Town Clerk. The Town Clerk has many duties including keeping all public records, registration of motor vehicles, marriage licenses, vital statistics (births, deaths and marriages), licensing of dogs, burn permits and election official. The Tax Collector is responsible for collecting property tax bills, which are sent out semi-annually in June and November, tax liens, land use change tax bills, timber tax bills and excavation tax bills.

The hours of the Town Clerk/Tax Collector are Monday and Wednesday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (closed from 12:30-1:30) and Tuesday and Thursday, 1:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Vehicle Registrations

You cannot register a vehicle without a title or a blue title application. Vehicles 15 years and older require a bill of sale and one of the following:

- Valid out of state title or
- Previously issued New Hampshire registration or
- Verification of VIN form (TDMV 19A, available at Town Clerk's office) or print from State website.

When a new title is created, ALL parties being listed on the title must be present to sign the application.

Anyone under 18 years of age must have a parent fill out a form every year until 18 years of age.

If you have moved here from another state and your vehicle is less than 15 years old, you will need to convert your out of state title to a New Hampshire title. If your title is held by a lien holder, you will need to bring in your vehicle information and lien holder name and address and apply for a title. You cannot register your vehicle without your title.

If you are new to Town, you must provide proof of residency in the form of a utility bill or legal document with your street address.

E-Registrations

There is a link on the Town's website, www.townofnewipswich.org for e-reg. Each vehicle processed costs an additional fee of \$1.50 plus a minimum log fee of \$1.35 per group of transactions based upon the payment type chosen.

Renewals

Renewals should be done during the month of birth of the first person on the registration. The old registration or a copy must be presented at the time of renewal. You may renew for other people with their registration.

Ways to renew by mail:

- call for a quote
- request a quote by email, townclerk@townofnewipswich.org
- request by fax, 603-878-3855

Make sure to have the plate number and last 4 digits of the VIN number when requesting a quote. After you have the quote, send the renewal request including the plate(s) number and last four digits of the VIN or a copy of the registration, along with a check made payable to the Town of New Ipswich and a self-addressed stamped envelope to:

Town Clerk

661 Turnpike Road

New Ipswich, NH 03071

If a self-addressed stamped envelope does not accompany the request, the renewal will be held at the Town Clerk's office and must be picked up.

Vehicle Registration Transfers

Transfers (putting current valid plates on a different vehicle):

The current registration along with the title or blue title application and bill of sale of the vehicle being transferred to must be brought in. Transfer cannot occur without registration.

Marriage License

Available at the Town Clerk's office.

Requirements:

- 18 years of age
- A marriage license in New Hampshire can be obtained if the parties are getting married in New Hampshire regardless of where you reside.
- Both parties must appear in person and sign the application.
- Fee: \$50 for the license and \$15 for the final certificate.

Required documents:

- Picture ID AND birth certificate.
 - Certified copy of annulment, final divorce decree or death certificate, if applicable
- A license may be issued the day of application with all documentation. License is valid for 90 days.

Vital Records

The Town Clerk's office provides certified copies of birth, marriage or death certificates that occurred in any city or town in the State of New Hampshire to immediate family members only (with ID).

The fee is \$15 for one copy and \$10 for each additional copy issued at the same time for the same record.

Dog Registration

Dogs must be licensed even if they stay inside. Current rabies certificates must be presented at time of licensing. A rabies clinic is held mid-April every year and licenses will be available for residents at that time. To renew by mail, send a copy of the dog's current rabies certificate, a self-addressed stamped envelope and a check made payable to the Town of New Ipswich for the appropriate amount. If the envelope is not included, the license will be held with the Town Clerk for pick up.

License Fees:

Not spayed or neutered	\$10.00
Spayed or neutered	\$ 7.50
Puppy	\$ 7.50
Person age 65 or over (1 st dog only)	\$ 3.00
Group License (5 or more dogs)	\$20.00

Notary Public

The Treasurer and Land Use Clerk are available for notary service. Call the Town Office at 603-878-2772 for hours of availability.

Parks and Recreation Department

The Parks and Recreation Department is committed to provide quality recreation programs for the residents of New Ipswich (children and adults). Cheer Camp, Father/Daughter Dance, Softball, Basketball, Tennis and Pickleball are offered to name a few. See the Town of New Ipswich Website (www.townofnewipswich.org) for scheduling, phone numbers, hours and fees.

Town Pool

The New Ipswich Town Pool is located at 30 Temple Road. The staff is committed to providing a clean, safe and fun facility for patrons of all ages and ability. Numerous services are offered including open public swim, swim team, swim lessons, water aerobics, evening open swim, and parent and "baby" classes. Season passes are free for New Ipswich residents.

Fees:

	Residents	Non-Residents
Season Pass	Free	\$60 for non-residents
Swim Lessons	\$35 per session (\$100 family cap)	\$50 per session
Swim Team	\$55 (\$150 family cap)	\$75
Aerobics	\$5 per class, \$50/summer	\$7 per class, \$75/summer
Tadpole	\$5 per class	\$7 per class

For more information, visit the Town Website at www.townofnewipswich.org or call 603-878-4763.

Welfare Office

The Welfare Office temporarily helps individuals and families facing financial hardship and is available by appointment only.

Nature Trails

Maps are available at the Town Office Land Use Department

(Key: T=Town Land S=State Land E=Easement)

Name	Access	Suggested Uses	Key
Johnson Property	End of Whittemore Hill Road	hike, ski, hunt	T
Dam Site No. 13	Temple Road	hike, ski, fish, hunt, canoe	S
Dam Site No. 14	Thayer or Appleton Road	hike, ski, fish, hunt, canoe	S
Rhoades Easement	Route 124, east of Souhegan Valley Ambulance Service & Old Tenney Road	hike, ski, fish	E
Doonan Property	Highbridge Road (parking limited)	fish	T
Binney Pond State Forest	Binney Hill Road	fish, hunt, hike	
Perry Reservation	Canoe access possible via Gridley River	limited canoe/kayak	
Wapack Trail	Route 124	hike, 21 mile skyline footpath	
Dam Site No. 35	Binney Hill Road	hike, ski, fish, canoe	S
Gibson Four Corners	Gibson Four Corners and River Road		T
Currier Easement	Appleton Road (before Appleton Gardens)	hike	E
Williams Property	Main Street at Old School House and Manley Road	hike, ski	T
Marshall State Forest	Across from Nussdorfer Nature Area		
Nussdorfer Nature Area	Old Country Road. South on Route 124, 1 mile from Route 31 on left	hike, ski, fish, hunt	
Stone's Landing	River Road (1/2 mile from Gibson Four Corners)	fish	T
Tophet Swamp	Route 124 at the Gridley River Canoe Launch (just before Swamp Road)	fish, canoe	T

Fire Department

The New Ipswich Fire Department is comprised of an all-volunteer force. They respond to an average of 250 emergency calls per year. As New Ipswich is a relatively small town, the Department has to be trained in a wide variety of subjects and need to be ready to handle everything from tire fires to car accidents to hazardous material incidents to building fires. The Department meets three times a month for training and Department business meetings. They also have a Fire Department Explorer program for young people age 14-18 which has proved to be extremely popular. It not only teaches a trade but gives a sense of purpose. As a small volunteer Department, they are always looking to add new members to the department. Applications can be picked up at the fire station.

Burn Permits

Written permits are required when doing any type of outside burning. Permits can be picked up from the Town Clerk's Office, Monday through Thursday or at the Fire Station on Saturday mornings from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. There is no one available to issue permits on Sundays or holidays. Burning without obtaining a written permit may result in serious penalties.

Police Department

The mission of the New Ipswich Police Department is to provide any services to the community required, to fairly and impartially enforce the law, to protect life and to safeguard property.

To this end, the resources of the New Ipswich Police Department are utilized and deployed in a manner consistent with the mission.



In recognizing the value of our citizens and their property, the New Ipswich Police Department strives to earn and maintain public confidence by maintaining a high degree of professionalism, dedication and expertise in the delivery of law enforcement services.



Town of New Ipswich Transfer Station & Recycling Center

Transfer Station 878-3179 Town Office 878-2772 Highway Dept. 878-2447

Bags can be purchased by the roll at the Transfer Station, Tax Clerk & New Ipswich Market

17 Gallon 10/\$12.50 34

Gallon 10/\$25.00

***Hours of Operation
Saturday 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Please arrive by 2:45***

Items recycled at no charge:

Upper Area-

Glass (any color)
Aluminum Cans
Plastic Containers (in mix bin)

Lower Area-

Paper (newsprint, magazines, glossy inserts, junk mail, shredded paper)
Cardboard (double walled, broken down, corrugated)
Tin cans
Brush and wood (not pressure treated or painted)
Manure/yard debris

Residents can take household hazardous waste to the Keene Recycling Center, 55 Old Summit Rd, Keene, NH on Wednesdays and Saturdays, 8am-1pm, July through October (dates can be viewed on the Town website).

Good used items can be recycled at the Green Center located behind the Town Offices at 661 Turnpike Road.



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Transfer Station & Recycling Center

Fees are charged for disposal of the following:

Air Conditioners	\$10	Lamps over 13"	\$ 4
Bicycles	\$ 2	Lawnmowers, push	\$ 5
Bookcase 2 shelf	\$ 5	Lawnmowers, ride on	\$15
Bookcase 4 shelf	\$10	Loveseat	\$15
Box Spring, any size	\$10	Mattress, any size	\$15
Bureau	\$ 8	Microwave	\$ 5
Carpet, 5x7-12x12	\$ 8	Porcelain Sink	\$ 5
Carpet, over 12x12	\$15	Radios	\$ 5
Chair, Wooden	\$ 5	Recliners	\$12
Chair, Upholstered	\$10	Refrigerator (no freon)	\$20
Chair, Metal	\$ 7	Scanner/Printer	\$ 5
Computer Mouse	\$ 1	Small Appliances	\$10
Computer Monitor	\$10	Sofa/Couch	\$20
Computer Wires	\$ 1	Sofa/Couch Sleeper	\$25
Copiers	\$10	Snowblower	\$10
CPU's	\$10	Stereo Equipment	\$ 5
Demo Material (per yard)	\$30	Stove	\$20
Desks	\$10	Tables under 23" diam	\$ 4
DVD Players	\$ 5	Tables over 23" diam	\$ 5
Fax Machines	\$ 5	Televisions under 25"	\$15
Grill, Gas	\$10	Televisions over 25"	\$25
Grill, Other	\$ 2	Tires, Passenger	\$ 3
Hot Water Tank	\$15	Tires, Truck	\$25
Keyboards	\$ 2	Toilets	\$ 5
Lamp under 12"	\$ 2	VCR's	\$ 5

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Places of Worship

Apostolic Lutheran	117 Goen Road	603-878-9880
Community Christian Church	32 Main Street	603-878-9441
Congregational Church	156 Main Street	603-878-1327
Our Redeemer Lutheran	200 Ashby Road	603-878-1837
New Wineskin Christian Fellowship	30 Stowell Road	603-878-2896
Sacred Heart Roman Catholic	High Street, Greenville	603-878-1121
Hope Fellowship	18 Hadley Road, Jaffrey	603-532-4432

Schools

Mascenic Regional High School		603-878-1113
Boynton Middle School		603-878-4800
Highbridge Hill Elementary		603-878-4387

Hospitals

Monadnock Community Hospital	Peterborough	603-924-7192
St. Joseph's Hospital	Nashua	603-882-3000
Southern NH Regional Med Ctr	Nashua	603-577-2000
Burbank Hospital	Fitchburg, MA	978-665-5000
St. Joseph's Urgent Care	Milford	603-673-5623

Library

The New Ipswich Library was established on September 5, 1887; the present building was built in 1892. This is not a town library, but a free library for town residents, owned and operated by a corporation supported by voluntary contributions and town contributions.

Town Office Hours

Town Website www.townofnewipswich.org

All offices are closed from 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm Monday through Thursday

Town Clerk/Tax Collector	Monday & Wednesday Tuesday & Thursday	9:00 am to 4 pm 1:00 pm to 7 pm
Selectmen's Office	Monday through Thursday Meetings Tuesdays	9:00 am to 4 pm 6:00 pm
Town Administrator	Monday through Thursday	9:00 am to 4 pm
Assessor's Office	Monday through Thursday Meetings: 1 st & 3 rd Tuesday	9:00 am to 4 pm 6 pm
Planning Board	Meetings: 1 st and 3 rd Wednesday at 7 pm October through April, 7:30 pm May through September	
Building Inspector/Permits	Monday through Thursday	9:00 am to 4 pm
Zoning Board	Meetings are 1 st Thursday	7:30 pm
Conservation	Meetings are 2 nd Wednesday	7:30 pm
Transfer Station	Saturday	8 am to 2:45 pm
Welfare	By appointment	
Pool	June through August, see website for schedules and hours	

Phone Numbers and E-mail Addresses

Town Clerk townclerk@townofnewipswich.org	878-2772	ext. 419
Tax Collector taxcollector@townofnewipswich.org	878-2772	ext. 419
Selectmen/Town Administrator administrator@townofnewipswich.org	878-2772	ext. 422
Assessing, Planning landuse@townofnewipswich.org	878-2772	ext. 414
Zoning, Conservation landclerk@townofnewipswich.org	878-2772	ext. 415
Building Inspector Buildinginspector@townofnewipswich.org	878-2772	ext. 415
Welfare Officer welfareofficer@townofnewipswich.org	878-2772	ext. 418
Information, Accounting clerk@townofnewipswich.org	878-2772	ext. 417
Health Officer healthofficer@townofnewipswich.org	878-2772	ext. 422
Parks and Recreation parksandrec@townofnewipswich.org	410-7624	
Highway highwaydept@townofnewipswich.org	878-2447	ext. 428
Police (non-emergency) police@townofnewipswich.org	878-2771	ext. 408

Phone Numbers and E-mail Addresses (cont.)

Fire Department	878-1364	
firedepartment@townofnewipswich.org		
Transfer Station	878-3179	
highwaydept@townofnewipswich.org		
Emergency Management	878-4515	ext. 450
Emergencymgmt@townofnewipswich.org		
Pool	878-4163	ext. 200

Food Services

Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CFSP)-For income eligible seniors
Southern NH Services
1-800-322-1073
Hillsborough County Residents

Meals on Wheels

St. Joseph Community Services, Inc.
395 Daniel Webster Hwy.
Merrimack, NH 03054
603-424-9967

Meal delivered by paid staff and volunteers to people age 60 and over,
Monday through Friday, lunch or supper, the service is free but they
suggest a donation of \$2.00 per day or \$10.00 per week.

St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry

1-603-878-0518

Greenville, NH

Hours of Operation:

Monday 10 am, Tuesdays 1:30 pm, Wednesdays 2:30pm, Thursday 5pm

Offers emergency food to low income individuals and families on a monthly basis. Clients are able to visit their Food Pantry and choose items from their shelves including milk, butter, eggs, produce, bread, meat, nonperishable foods, and personal hygiene items.

Information and Support

Bureau of Elderly and Adult Services

1-844-275-3447

The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) is the largest agency in New Hampshire state government, responsible for the health, safety and well-being of the citizens of New Hampshire. DHHS provides services for individuals, children, families and seniors, and administers programs and services such as mental health, developmental disability, substance abuse, and public health. This is accomplished through partnerships with families, community groups, private providers, other state and local government entities, and many citizens throughout the State who help make New Hampshire a special place in which to live.

Legal Assistance NH

1-800-562-3994 Claremont

1-800-517-0577 Nashua

1-800-562-3174 Manchester

New Hampshire Legal Assistance provides free legal help to low income and elderly persons who cannot afford a private attorney. They handle legal matters involving health care, public and private housing issues, food stamps, welfare, unemployment compensation, utility shut-off and nursing home problems.

Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Senior Focus, Monadnock Family Services

1-603-532-2429

Activities for the active older adult. Classes such as bridge, tai chi, computers; recreational and social activities including indoor walking and outdoor hikes; weekly grocery shopping trips. No age minimum. Transportation to Senior Nutritional Program at Sargent Camp. Fees for some activities.

Information and Support (continued)

Home Healthcare, Hospice and Community Services (HCS)

1-800-541-4145

1-603-532-8353 Peterborough

HCS offers a variety of services that assist people with recovery at home after an illness or injury. Services include; visiting nurses, physical, occupational and speech therapists; medical social workers; home health aides and hospice care. HCS also offers programs that provide long term in-home assistance.

The River Center

1-603-924-6800 Peterborough

The River Center is a Family and Community Resource Center located in Peterborough. The programs offered help to stretch the New Ipswich welfare budget and provide the support needed by many individuals and families that struggle. They provide parenting programs, home visiting for at risk pregnant women and their babies, free tax return preparations, job search skills and information and referral to other resources in the community.

Community Volunteer Transportation Company

1-877-428-2882 Peterborough

CVTC's Volunteer Drivers provide "no-fee" transportation for people who do not have access to transportation because of age, ability, economic situation or other limiting circumstances. Trip purposes include non-emergency medical & social service appointments, as well as trips to the grocery store and the pharmacy.