



# IT TAKES A WHOLE VILLAGE TO RAISE A CHILD

### FAMILY SPOTLIGHT: Domenica medaglia-brown



When Domenica's family took in their niece's baby who had been prenatally exposed to substances, they found support and resources through Whole Village Family Resource Center. Whole Village provided them with financial aid, connected them to services like NH Healthy Families and helped them navigate the support systems for their son with Autism. Now that their family has found stability, they give back to the community through volunteer work and advocacy. Domenica has even been recognized with the NH Children's Trust 2024 Unsung Hero Award for her advocacy work.

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### WHAT'S UPCOMING THIS QUARTER?

RAISE Playgroup every Tuesday at Fox Park at 9:30. If it rains, it will be at Whole Village. Check Facebook and Email for updates or changes. Bring your own snacks!

Central Region Veteran Coalition Meeting July 25th at Whole Village and on Zoom. Contact crvcnh@gmail.com for more information

# **ACTIVITIES AT WHOLE VILLAGE**

#### Your voice is important to us!

We are looking for your input on Whole Village to assist us in reaching our Family Resource Center of Quality Certification, assist in future programming, and find ways to utilize our donations in a way that ensures we are meeting the needs of our communities. It only takes 5 minutes.

### WHOLE VILLAGE Community Survey

We are evaluating current programs and services and would like to hear from our local community to help us determine what we are doing well, what we could improve, and how we can better serve the community!





### **March Business After Hours**



Our Business After Hours event was a great success. The Bridge House and Gowen Realty- cohosted. We had over 50 people from our business communities, individual donors, and others who visited Whole Village to get a better understanding of the work that we do. Since then the community has rallied to support our work. Service Credit

Union and Northway Bank are assisting with donation drives for Summer packs. NH Electric Cooperative Foundation is assisting in providing funding for our front doors to the building and others have offered to provide workshops to our clients.

## **Children's Literacy Foundation Grant**

We received a CLiF literacy grant and partnered with Pease Public Library in Plymouth, to allow for more attendees. Marv Klassen-Landis, an author and Storyteller, engaged a group of 25 children and caregivers. The children were so excited to choose two free books, they could hardly wait to read. Whole Village reinforces literacy at our Playgroup and Family Fun Nights to demonstrate how reading and engaging children with books sets them up for later academic success. We shared books with our Head Start Program and others who have visited the Village. We have enhanced our library and that at Pease to expose everyone to new literature.



### ACTIVITIES THAT OCCURRED THIS QUARTER AT WHOLE VILLAGE

We held an Easter Egg Hunt inside our building for our weekly playgroup. The kids had a great time searching for eggs with their friends and family!

Thanks to the Holderness School students and a generous donation from Sherman Williams, we have freshly painted walls. The students also returned a week later to help prepare the Collaborative Garden.



New Hampton Students came to stuff Welcome Baby bags to distribute to new families in our community.

We received funding from some pretty special individual donors in our community! We are incredibly grateful for the donations that will assist us in running programs, supporting staff, and building upkeep.

The following grants were received:

- NH Electric Cooperative Foundation is providing some funding for new front doors.
- Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction
- Several other private grant foundations have applied for and are awaiting decisions

You are not alone! You can contact Whole Village in a variety of ways and keep up to date with events and opportunities with us online.





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When making a donation on Granite United Way's giving page, please be sure to designate your gift to Whole Village Family Resource Center!