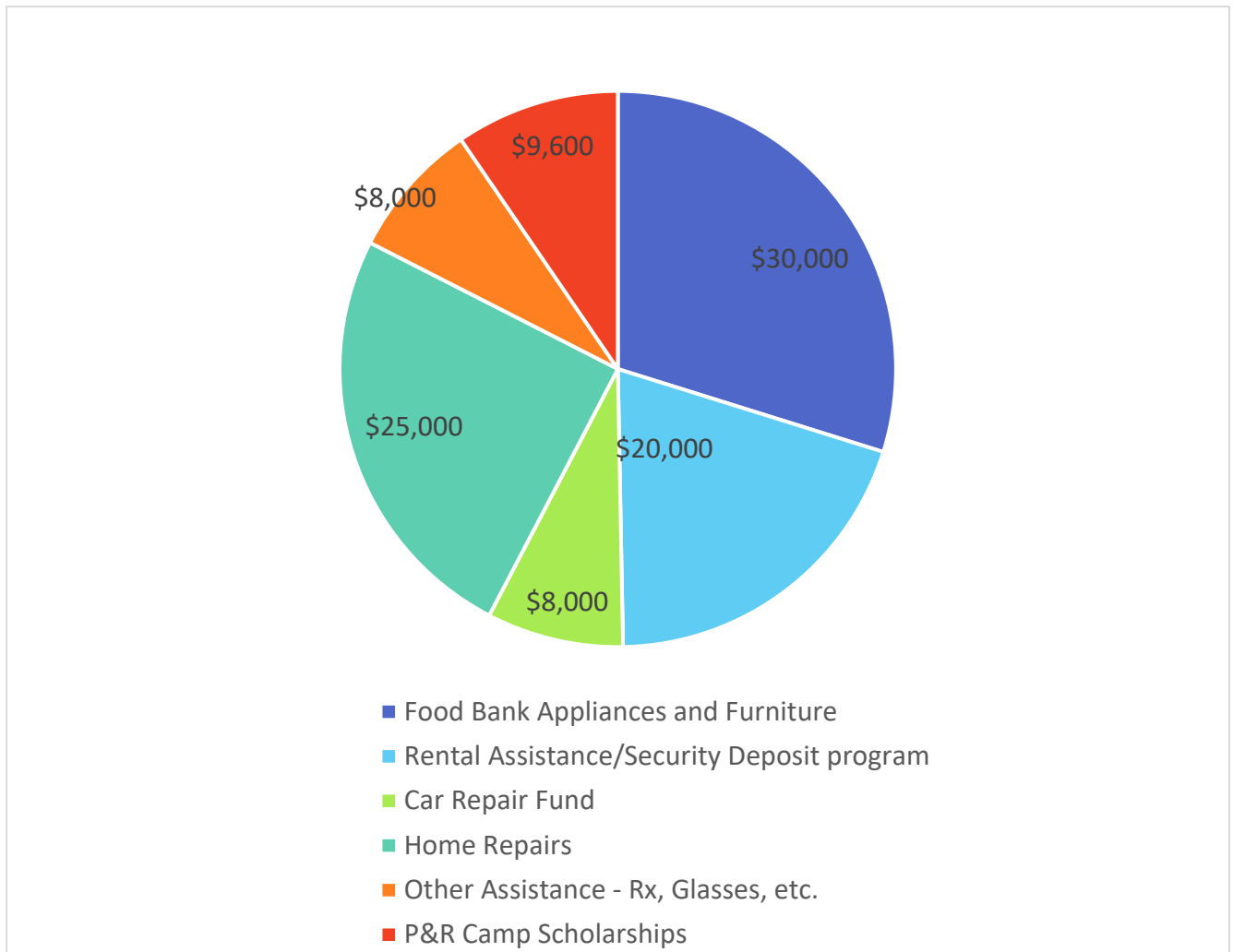


Colchester Youth & Social Services



CYSS is proposing that \$100,600 of ARPA funds be allocated to the Social Services Department to be utilized as shown above. This grant program will be designed to provide support to Colchester residents who are living at or below 60% of the State Median Income.

If approved, additional policies will be developed, and an application will be required. In addition to the application, we will also require proof of residency and income as well as other documentation, depending on the request.

Some examples of policies will include:

Car repair funds will be utilized to assist individuals who need transportation for work, educational, or job training reasons.

Rental/Security Deposit: We will not provide security deposit assistance for someone who is moving out of town or rental assistance to a person who is being evicted and has no viable way to have it stopped or to make future rent payments

Camp Scholarships will utilize the existing application form and will be based on need.

Home repair grants will be used to address health and safety hazards and the applicant must be the homeowner and occupy the house.

The "other assistance" line includes prescription co-pays, eyeglasses, work uniforms, training programs, gas cards and other unforeseen expenses.

I look forward to discussing both the Social Services proposal as well as the youth center proposal at the next meeting.

Sincerely,

Valerie Geato