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Many things have changed since 1995—remember Windows Ver. 1.0, a movie ticket was $2.75, and Live Aid concerts?—and the BCAF has changed significantly as well. But one thing hasn’t shifted—the launch of the BCAF Summer Reception and annual grant program continues to help our fellow citizens get back on their feet. The Good Neighbor Health Clinics, dba, Red Logan Dental Clinic in White River Junction, VT, is helping NH citizens in areas that are below 200% of the federal poverty guidelines with health and dental assistance.

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