

To whom it may concern,

My name is Robert Kelly and I am a resident of Burlington, Vermont.

I have had the pleasure of working with people with developmental disabilities for the last 2 years, both as a caregiver and a community support person. I have seen firsthand how the current mode of housing individuals with developmental disabilities is nearing complete dysfunction. The most vulnerable people in our community deserve the staunchest of advocates, and as lawmakers, you have volunteered to be said advocates. This is your chance to take action.

Please advocate for those who need it by supporting the DDHI's request for \$10.82M to implement the 3 Pilot Grant Projects, established by Act 186, to develop new and innovative housing options for individuals with developmental disabilities.

Sincerely,
Robert Kelly