

My name is Marchelle Falcone and my husband (John Spencer) and I are residents of Stowe, Vermont.

Please support the request for \$10.82M for implementation of the 3 Pilot Grant Projects, established by Act 186, to develop new and innovative housing options for this vulnerable population. The Act 186 pilots will provide homes for roughly 30 of our children, but according to the VT Developmental Disability Council's 2023 Housing Brief, the current need in our state is roughly 600 new units - so these Pilot Grant Projects are truly just the beginning.

Again, please support the DDHI's request for \$10.82M to get the 3 Pilot Grant Projects off the ground. Vermont's most vulnerable citizens will be forever grateful to you for it.

Sincerely,

Marchelle Falcone & John Spencer, proud supporters of this important initiative for Vermont's most vulnerable!