

ADVOCATE HEARINGS 2/19/20 and 2/20/20; COMMUNITY HEARINGS; and MEMBER REQUESTS

HUMAN SERVICES	REQUEST	COMMENTS
ELDERLY CARE:		
Home Delivered Meals/Age Well	700,000	To close gap between cost of meals and reimbursement amount
Vt Assoc for Blind and Visually Impaired	100,000	To teach clients accessibility factors
Funds to address Moderate Needs Wait list		
LIHEAP/Crisis Fuel Benefits		Increase funding
Adult Day Programs	710,000	Bring current hourly rate of \$16.72 up to \$20/hour
Adult Day Programs	1,775,000	Bring rate to \$25/hour
SASH		Increase funding
Council on Aging		
Attendant Service Program	181,933	Restore Gov reduction and unfreeze program
YOUTH PROGRAMS:		
Parent/Child Centers	4,000,000	Increase Master Grant
Parent/Child Centers	1,500,000	To address deferred maintenance
Children's Integrated Services (CIS)	1,200,000	CIS has been level funded since 2009. Total req.\$1.2M GF; \$1.2M FF
CCFAP Rates		Increase rates
Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice		Support program
ReachUp		Increase benefit level to meet 100% of basic needs budget
Reach Up SSI Countable Income		Disregard remaining \$77 of SSI income
Child Care transportation support		fund
Washington Co Youth Program	500,000	Funds to serve rural youth statewide
Woodside - Keep open		Union Rep. would like to keep facility open
EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION		
	600,000	For early ed student scholarships - Workforce
	1,600,000	Loan repayment
	12,300,000	Temp wage supplement for early ed teachers
	4,500,000	Bright Futures IT System upgrade One-Time
Special Accommodation Grants (SAG)	550,000	Assist Child Care providers that serve children with special needs
HEALTH CARE:		
Delivery System Reform investments		Direct DSR investments to Medicaid Pathways organizations
Choices for Care	\$2,000,000	Payment Rates too low resulting in 50% staff turnover at VNA
Provider Tax		Burdensome and out of balance
Community Home Care		

Wellness Recovery Action Plan (WRAP)		Through the Blue Print for Health
Nurse Tax Credit	\$1,000,000	
MENTAL HEALTH/DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES		
Rate increase for the Designated Agencies	6,005,079	State portion of 3% incr. for DS, MH including Spec Service Agencies
national Alliance of Mental Illness (NAMI)	25,000	Increase current grant from DMH that has been level for 6 years
Mental Health Workforce		
24/7 Peer Support Line	223,000	
GENERAL SUPPORT PROGRAMS:		
High Tech Nursing		
3 Squares Vermont		Monitor changes at the Federal level
Vermonters Feeding Vermonters	500,000	
VT Legal Aid	250,000	To be used in the 5 LA offices
VT Legal Aid	800,000	Related to Assistance with eviction issues
VT Bar Foundation	1,100,000	For unfunded mandates, Immigration clinic, rent escrow clinic...
VT 2-1-1		Support
Community Restorative Justice		
Microbusiness Development Program	293,339	Restore
Individual Development Accounts (IDA)	170,301	Restore
COMMERCE/DEVELOPMENT:		
Workforce education and training		Support efforts
Minimum Wage		Support bill
Paid Family Leave		Support bill
Feature Film funding	250,000	
Co-Working Space	100,000	
Tourism Marketing	1,000,000	\$250K Outdoor Recreation; \$500K Econ Devel Marketing; \$250K ?
VT Women Suffrage	20,000	Celebration of 100 year anniversary - Check request \$
Regional Planning Commission		
VT Workers Center		
VT Public Access Network	100,000	To look at future of PEG access
Genuine Progress Council	100,000	
HOUSING:		
Full Funding for VHCB	11,588,000	To get to full funding of \$22,393,000

Mobile Home Park funding	9,700,000	If VHCB was fully funded more would flow to mobile homeparks
VCIL - Home modification		If VHCB was fully funded more would be available for VCIL
Hotel Vouchers		Governor's transition plan is too fast
HOP Case Management	1,000,000	
Pathways Housing First	1,000,000	
Family Reunification Vouchers	1,000,000	
Match Federal Voucher funds		In FY 2019 VT returned \$739,000 in Fed voucher funds due to match
Pathways VT Rutland Co	580,000	
Pathways Bennington...Co	390,000	
Housing First		
Shelter funding		
Domestic Violence Shelter	500,000	
Transitional Housing	1,000,000	
Emergency Housing		Adequately fund
Independence Place	288,000	Gov. used these funds for housing initiative
Cathedral Square		Increase funding
Funds for rental arrearage	500,000	
Housing Supportive Services	500,000	
PROTECTION		
Vt Center for Crime Victims Services	75,000	VT Network Against Domestic Violence (\$5K for each of the 15)
Housing Safety Inspections	1,200,000	Transitional funds prior to fee implementation
Mosquito Larvacide	50,000	
Vermont Farm to School	500,000	Base is \$171,875 in Gov FY 2021 budget
Working Lands	1,656,000	Would like \$3M total. Gov has \$594K in Base and \$750K One-Time
Body cameras and Drug Education		
Judiciary Expungements	1,075,000	
HIGHER EDUCATION		
Vermont State Colleges	5,000,000	Increase of \$5M for each of five years
Advance VT	250,000	To promote post secondary education
University of VT	2,000,000	
EDUCATION		
After School		
Governor's Institute	80,000	The Governor's AOE budget includes \$192,654 fro Governor's Inst
NATURAL RESOURCES		
VOREC	100,000	Restore funding to base

ANR		Budget of Agency is bare bones
Electric Vehicles Incentives	3,000,000	Supports funding
Electric trucks		Extend EVT funds for electric truck incentives
Grid Optimization		Supports funding
H.688 -Global Warming Solutions Bill		Supports bill
Transportation Climate Initiative		Support effort
Support public transit initiatives		
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	87,185,652	Includes one-time and Base funding requests