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My name is Dawn Tatro and I am one of the founders of Jenna's Promise in Johnson Vt and also a board member of Recovery Partners of Vermont

I am here today to testify that there is an extreme need for additional Funding at the Recovery Centers and Recovery residences of Vt.

It is hard to imagine the underfunding of these centers till you walk in the shoes of someone on the front lines every day ... The amount of people we are losing everyday is beyond mind blowing .

I can't tell you how many people call me every day asking for help, my 1st call coming at 4.30 this morning! The demand for help has exceeded amount of resources we have to help the people that are requesting help! We have lost more people to addiction than anything else in this state and now the ripple continues on to the many families that have been effected by this raising the children of their lost ones.

This week alone we took 3 people in from incarnation , relieving the system of \$1000's of dollars and getting people back into the work force by giving them the resources they need to get back into the being a productive member of the community ... Not to mention how many homeless people that have been helped by resources given by recovery resources...

Please support the increase of base funding of 1.85 million for recovery organizations and 1 million to base founding for recovery residences

Thank you for your time

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