

Hello. My name is Janet Felis and live in Richmond, Vt. I participate in the Developmental Disabilities Housing Initiative. I urge you to approve the 10.82m for implementation of three pilot grant projects and annual development of service supported housing for adults with intellectual and development disabilities. The 1999 Olmstead Act directed states to develop fiscal plans to include housing for people with I/DD but there are no targets in Vermont!!!

My son, Matthew, age 46, has Down Syndrome, ADD and autistic tendencies and lives with me. He is a joy! However, I'm a 78 year old widow with health issues. I fear for the welfare of my son now and after I'm gone.

Approval of this budget request is URGENT for me and so many other parents. Please approve request for \$10.82M to implement the above stated plan.

Parents like me can't wait. Please help us.

Sincerely, Janet Felis