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Written testimony:

As a person in recovery, and a peer working within a recovery organization, I am asking the committee to please level fund recovery centers with another \$800,000 in Prevention Funds, to be distributed according to the united advocacy of Recovery Partners of Vermont.

Recovery supports and services are the long-term solution for helping people realize the power they have to break free from their addiction. Peer support is a key element to the success of those supports and services. These services and support once helped me to achieve a sustained recovery, and continue to do so for me both personally and professionally. I have come to believe that the support and services that recovery centers provide are vital to anyone seeking recovery from substances, and are also essential to maintaining a life-long recovery.

I thank you for considering the request for level funding of \$800,000 in Prevention Funds to all recovery centers that will be distributed by Recovery Partners of Vermont in a joint effort to support recovery and peer support all across Vermont.

Always grateful,
Jenn