



Memorandum

To: House Corrections and Institutions Committee
From: Chadd Viger, CEO, Recovery House, Inc.
Date: March 10, 2026
Re: Capital Budget Adjustment

Recovery House, a residential substance use treatment provider, is a critical part of the state's continuum of care. We have been serving those in need for over 50 years. We offer a myriad of services within our campus, including: ASAM 3.7 Medically Monitored High-Intensity Inpatient Treatment at Serenity House (typically a multi-week course of treatment), ASAM 3.1 Clinically Managed Low Intensity Residential Services at Grace House and McGee House (typically a 90-day course of treatment), and Public Inebriate programming for Rutland and Addison Counties (co-located at Grace House).

For 50 years, Recovery House has put clients first. This has meant prioritizing clinical and medical services, programming, staffing, and quality of care. We have not had the financial capacity to keep up with much needed capital improvements.

While we are a non-profit organization, 98% of our work is supported by the state and federal governments through Medicaid and other grants.

We have identified a number of capital improvements that will positively and significantly impact client care and services provided, increasing the longevity of the facilities and preventing higher costs in the future if we address them now. Not only will costs for treatment remain affordable, but increasing the longevity of state-wide residential substance use treatment services will undoubtedly be a cost savings to corrections and healthcare across for Vermont.

Our total capital improvement request is for \$220,000 for repairs and renovations for Serenity House, Grace House, and McGee House, which includes roof repair, siding and window replacement, and structural repairs.

Serenity House Wallingford, VT (High Intensity Residential Treatment)

- Repair to the attic and slate roof: \$30,000
- Renovation of a bathroom: \$10,000

- Baseboard cover replacement: \$5,000
- Replace vinyl siding and windows: \$100,000
- Develop more office space: \$15,000
- Install a generator (loss of power disrupts service): \$30,000

Grace House Rutland, VT (Low Intensity Residential Treatment)

- Replace kitchen cabinets: \$10,000

McGee House Rutland, VT (Low Intensity Residential Treatment)

- Replace temporary stairs and reinforce porch footings: \$20,000

Total capital improvement request for all three Recovery House, Inc. facilities: \$220,000.

Thank you for your consideration.