



TO: House Committee on Human Services

FROM: Recovery Partners of Vermont

RE: FY27 Budget

DATE: February 18th, 2026

Dear Representatives Maguire and Eastes,

Thank you for hearing our testimony today! Recovery Partners of Vermont respectfully submits this brief memo to provide the information requested in regard to what the \$800,000 in Prevention Funds represents in terms of overall operational funding for recovery centers across Vermont.

The \$800,000 represents 17% of total operational funding for all 12 recovery centers across Vermont. This funding is needed to preserve the current level of services and programming at recovery centers, especially as they experience increased demand due to federal actions.

It is also important to note that we are requesting this funding come with language specifying how funds shall be allocated. Specifically, we recommend adding language directing funds *to be allocated according to the consensus recommendations of Recovery Partners of Vermont.*

Finally, we would like to clarify that ***Recovery Partners of Vermont is NOT requesting to renew the \$300,000 in Prevention Funds for recovery residences.*** The Vermont Alliance for Recovery Residences (VTARR) and our certified residence operators feel confident that between H.660 (opioid abatement funds) and the Rural Health Transformation grant, there is sufficient funding for Recovery Housing available in fiscal year 2027. Collectively, we ask for your committee's support for the full \$800,000 for recovery centers only.

Thank you for your consideration,

Susan Walker (Suzie)