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### **Program Summary**

The Federal Register Notice No. FR-6225-N-01 as authorized under Section 8071 of the SUPPORT for Patients and Communities Act, entitled Pilot Program to Help Individuals in Recovery from a substance use disorder become stably housed, herein referred to as the Recovery Housing Program (RHP). The pilot program authorizes assistance to grantees (states) to provide stable, temporary housing to individuals in recovery from a substance use disorder. Federal Register Notice No. FR-6225-N-01 provides how the FY2020 allocation shall be used and administered. Federal Register Notice No. FR-6265-N-01 is the updated Notice to the Support Act to provide the instructions for submitting the Action Plans for FY 2020 and 2021.

The State of Vermont's 2020 Recovery Housing Program Action Plan will guide the use of approximately \$753,000 of the first allocation and \$791,652 of the second allocation in Recovery Housing Program (RHP) funding received by the State through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) for the period July 1, 2021, through September 1, 2028. These funds are administered by the Agency of Commerce and Community Development (ACCD), Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) that administers the State's CDBG funding. There will be collaboration with the Agency of Human Services. A staff person from the Division of Substance Use (DSU) and a staff person from the Department of Corrections (DOC) will participate in the review and selection process of the applications.

This first amendment incorporated the third allocation of \$755,059 from FY22. The RHP Action Plan second amendment will incorporate the state's fourth allocation of \$991,106 from FY23.

This plan identifies the State's priorities and needs for transitional housing for persons recovering from substance use disorder based on an extensive needs' assessment, and citizen and stakeholder input. It establishes goals for meeting the priority needs for the period of funding and reflects anticipated resources and outcomes.

The State will use RHP funding to provide safe and supportive transitional housing to persons recovering from substance use disorders through Recovery Residences (RR) that are certified recovery homes through the Vermont Alliance for Recovery Residences (VTARR), the Vermont Affiliate of the National Alliance for Recovery Residences, or individualized units that meet the Agency of Human Services standards.

Persons in recovery will have peer support, access to services, and integration into the community with the goal of moving to permanent, independent housing.

### Goals

Vermont's Recovery Housing Programs goals are to support:

- Levels 1, 2 & 3 Recovery Residences certified by VTARR.
- Individualized Units that meet AHS DOC standards.
- Creation of Recovery Residences in service HUB areas where none exist.
- Recovery Residences with priority given to parents with children.
- Recovery Residences that include programs that have wrap around services for long term recovery that are onsite or in the vicinity of the home.
- Individuals will transition to permanent independent housing within two years of entry to the Recovery Residences

### **Administration Summary**

DHCD will be the responsible agency for overall administration and will use existing staff to administer the Program. There will be collaboration with Vermont's Single State Agency (SSA), the Agency of Human Services/Department of Health. A staff person from the Division of Substance Use (DSU) and a staff person from Department of Corrections (DOC) will participate in the review and selection process of the applications.

### Use of Funds - Method of Distribution:

Minimum \$100,000 Maximum \$500,000. In the second amendment to HUD for the state's fourth allocation for FY23 the maximum amount will be increased to \$1,000,000 due to rising construction costs for projects.

Open to all communities in Vermont, including the state's only entitlement community – the City of Burlington.



FY2020 Total Award	\$753,000
-5% General Admin	\$ 37,650
- 3% Technical Assistance	\$ 22,590
Total amount to Grant Out	\$692,760
FY2021 Total Award	\$791,652
-5% General Admin	\$ 39,583
- 3% Technical Assistance	\$ 23,749
Total amount to Grant Out	\$728,320
FY2022 Total Award	\$755,059
-5% General Admin	\$ 37,753
- 3% Technical Assistance	\$ 22,651
Total amount to Grant Out	\$694,655

Total available to grant to projects from FY20 & FY21 & FY22 allocations: \$2,115,735

Lease, Rent and Utilities activities are not limited to the 15% Public Service CAP.

Of the \$1,421,080 30% must be expended within one year of signing the HUD Grant Agreement - \$463,396

### **Anticipated Outcomes**

Vermont anticipates being able to serve 4 or 5 projects between \$100,000-\$500,000 each out of FY2020, FY2021 and FY2022 allocations. Projects assisted will be required to provide data on the following outcomes:

Outcome Measures	Vermont's Projections	This Years Performance
Number of Transitional Housing Units Created	0	0
Number of Transitional Housing Units Rehabilitated	17	8
Number of Transitional Housing Beds Created	66	23
Number of individuals assisted with transitional housing.	85	16
Number of individuals assisted with transitional housing able to transition to permanent housing.	25	2
Number of individuals with children assisted with transitional housing.	10	0
Number of individuals with children assisted with transitional housing able to transition to permanent housing.	3	0

### Expenditure Plan

The state has received two applications through its regular CDBG program that are eligible and meet the scoring criteria of the Recovery Housing Program, and through the allowability of the act both projects are included under Pre-Award/Pre-Agreement Cost. The state will start receiving additional applications for the Recovery Housing Program in late summer with a Board meeting in early fall to award the remaining funds.

The state fully anticipates being in compliance with the requirement of expending 30% of funds from one year of the date of grant agreement executed with HUD due to the majority of its RHP 2020 funding being allocated under Pre-Award/Pre-Agreement Costs.



The ACCD is currently tracking staff hours specific to RHP and will include those expenditures under Pre-Agreement Costs.

### **Partner Coordination**

Since this was a new realm for DHCD, DHCD initially reached out to the Agency of Human Services (ADAP, DOC) and Downstreet Housing & Community Development (Downstreet) to discuss their current programs and initiatives for transitional housing for persons that are recovering from substance use disorder.

VCDP staff also reached out to the Continuum of Care Program, Emergency Solutions program and HUD-VASH.

VCDP staff met with Vermont's affiliate of National Alliance for Recovery Residences (VTARR), Vermont Foundation on Recovery (VFOR), and Vermont CARES, to learn about their organization's and what their role is in recovery of substance use disorders.

VCDP staff met with the liaison from the Department of Health that coordinates the Governor's Substance Misuse Prevention and Oversight and Advisory Council (SMPC) to gain information on what that council is working on to assist with recovery of substance use disorders. The liaison for SMPC invited VCDP Staff to join the Intervention, Treatment, and Recovery Committee (ITR) monthly meetings that meets with SUD service providers, recovery residences providers, recovery advocacy groups, harm reduction programs, state agencies to look at the four priorities area identified by ITR as issues for persons in recovery 1) Housing, 2) Transportation, 3) Employment and 4) Residential Treatment. ITR will also be discussing cross cutting issues for persons in recovery such as access, childcare, communication, connection, COVID 19 and Stigma to address each priority identified.

VCDP staff communicated with Vermont Housing and Conservation Board (VHCB) staff regarding the use of HOPWA funds and how that program population is impacted by SUD. Vermont receives HOPWA awards every three years. The last award was in 2020 and was for \$1.4 million for the period of March 1, 2021 – February 28, 2024. About \$475,000 of the funding is expended per year. Vermont's state-wide competitive HOPWA award is administered through 4 partner organizations: VSHA and three AIDS Service Organizations (ASO's) – Vermont CARES, AIDS Project of Southern Vermont, and HIV/HRC Resource Center. VSHA administers approximately 30 tenant-based vouchers for low-income people with AIDS/HIV. The ASO's deliver HOPWA services in 3 categories: 1) Emergency Assistance to remain appropriately housed, including

payments for mortgage, rent or utilities; 2) Permanent Housing Placement – provides assistance to clients with first month's rent and security deposits to allow them to obtain housing; and 3) Supportive Services – providing housing and other counseling to clients to help them remain appropriately housed. Although it is an eligible activity, Vermont does not utilize our HOPWA grant for permanent supportive housing or other housing development.

DHCD considered resources provided by the Agency of Human Services (OEO, DOC, ADAP), Downstreet, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMSHA's), Vermont affiliate of National Alliance for Recovery Residences and H.783 Bill currently before Vermont's General Assembly.

### Subrecipient Management and Monitoring

RHP Action Plan must follow State Bulletin #5 Policy for Grant Issuance and Monitoring which incorporates the provisions of the new "Uniform Guidance" issued by OMB.

RHP will take a risk-based monitoring approach that is based on such factors as size of award; first time receiving an award; complexity of project; staff turnover; past performance; outstanding or delinquent reports from other Programs; and one or more audit findings/internal control issues regarding program performance or compliance.

All grantees are monitored on a regular basis in accordance with program specific guidelines, as well as state and federal regulations. Monitoring of all programs includes desk review of requisitions and supporting back-up documentation; review of program reports; and audit reports. RHP monitoring will also include onsite reviews to interview program and administrative staff; and conduct onsite construction inspections, as permitted with COVID, or virtual monitoring will be conducted.

All grantees shall ensure adequate Subrecipient Oversight Monitoring per the Uniform Guidance using the Subgrantee Financial Monitoring Worksheet that will be an award condition. Only a Municipal staff person can complete and be responsible for the subrecipient monitoring. All Subrecipients will complete a Subgrantee Financial Monitoring Worksheet that complies with Subrecipient Monitoring per the Uniform Guidance and upload the documentation to the Agency's on-line grants management system (GEARS).

### Pre-Award/Pre-Agreement Costs:

Grants Management conducts a Pre-Award Eligibility Determination and Risk Assessments on a project prior to an award to ensure no award is made to an ineligible organization and to mitigate any high-risk awards through special conditions in grant agreements and monitoring and reporting.

RHP funds can only pay for pre-award/pre-agreement costs of a project providing the environmental release has been issued for the project.

The Agency has been tracking expenditures for pre-award costs back to December 2, 2020, which correlates to an estimate of \$700,000 in pre-award costs at the time of receipt of a Grant Agreement from HUD. \$7,002 of the cost is for general administration and environmental review. The Agency intends on funding \$692,760 from FY20 and \$7,240 from FY21 to the following two projects:

#### City of Barre - Barre Recovery Residence

\$500,000 of RHP funding will be granted to the City of Barre to be subgranted to Downstreet Housing & Community Development for the purchase and rehabilitation of a historic building located at 31 Keith Ave, Barre, VT 05641. The building will be renovated into a transitional Recovery Housing residence that will serve women and women with children – many of whom have experienced domestic violence and are currently experiencing homelessness. The building will include 3 units – two single person apartments and one group housing unit which can hold up to 4 families. There will be 6 direct beneficiaries at or below 50% AMI. Downstreet has partnered with Vermont Foundation of Recovery (VFOR) to staff and operate the program.

#### Town of Johnson - Jenna's Promise

\$200,000 in RHP funding will be granted to the Town of Johnson to be subgranted to Jenna's Promise LLC for the rehabilitation and revitalization of a vacant building in downtown Johnson to be turned into a coffee shop and supportive housing for people in recovery from substance use disorder. The project also includes \$300,000 of CDBG funding. The coffee shop will be located on the lower level of the building with the housing on the upper level. The project, Jenna's Sober Living, will run one building as essentially a Level I facility; it will be run with house rules and drug screening. Six bedrooms will house up to eight women in recovery, maintaining full occupancy of eight LMI individuals (women) over 5 years with turnover as needed. Income level projections



are based on the likely income of those participating in recovery. Tenants will complete income surveys.

#### **Pre-Award Costs for FY22**

#### **Town of Bennington – Squire Recovery Housing Project**

\$500,000 in RHP funding will be granted to the Town of Bennington to be subgranted to Shires Housing for the rehabilitation of 185 North Street in Downtown Bennington, VT. The historic property known as "Squire House" will provide 3 units of recovery housing with 6 bedrooms dedicated to women and women with dependent children. Shires will act as developer through a Limited Partnership and will maintain the property through a long-term master lease agreement with the Mission City Church and VFOR.

#### **Town of Bennington Gage Street**

\$139,460 enhancement request is anticipated from the Town of Bennington to subgrant to Shires Housing for the rehabilitation of 612 Gage Street in Bennington, VT. The building will have two units with 9 total bedrooms dedicated to men in recovery, including one housing manager who will also be in recovery. Shires will own the property and act as property manager through the Limited Partnership. The building will be designed to meet the programmatic needs of the Turning Point Center as they enter into a long-term master lease with Shires. This grant originally requested \$500,000 but only received \$360,540 in RHP funds due to funding limitations at the time and bids have been received and additional funding is needed.

With only \$55,194 remaining and the cost of construction being so high, we will likely utilize the remaining funding as bids are finalized with one of the existing awards.

### Overall Funding Drawdown by Fiscal year

Overall	This Report Period	To Date
Total Projected Budget from All Sources	\$0.00	\$2,299,711.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$753,000.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$791,652.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$755,059.00
Total Budget	\$0.00	\$2,299,711.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$753,000.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$791,652.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$755,059.00
Total Obligated	\$0.00	\$1,544,652.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$753,000.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$791,652.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Funds Drawdown	\$757,130.21	\$808,001.31
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$502,128.90	\$553,000.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$255,001.31	\$255,001.31
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Funds Drawdown	\$757,130.21	\$808,001.31
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$502,128.90	\$553,000.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$255,001.31	\$255,001.31
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Income Drawdown	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Income Received	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Funds Expended	\$757,130.21	\$757,130.21
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$502,128.90	\$502,128.90
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$255,001.31	\$255,001.31
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00

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Overall	This Report Period	To Date
HUD Identified Most Impacted and Distressed Expended	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00
Match Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00
Non-Match Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00

Funds Expended		
Overall	This Report Period	To Date
Agency of Commerce and Community Development	\$57,130.21	\$57,130.21
Barre City	\$500,000.00	\$500,000.00
Town of Johnson	\$200,000.00	\$200,000.00

# Progress Toward Required Numeric Targets

Requirement	Target	Projected	Actual
Overall Benefit Percentage			
B-20-RH-50-0001	.00%	.00%	.00%
B-21-RH-50-0001	.00%	.00%	.00%
B-22-RH-50-0001	.00%	.00%	.00%
Overall Benefit Amount			
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
Limit on Public Services			
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00

Requirement	Target	Projected	Actual
Limit on Admin/Planning			
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$.00	\$60,240.00	\$60,240.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$.00	\$63,332.00	\$47,761.31
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$.00	\$60,404.00	\$.00
Limit on Admin			
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$37,650.00	\$60,240.00	\$60,240.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$39,582.60	\$63,332.00	\$47,761.31
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$37,752.95	\$60,404.00	\$.00
Most Impacted and Distressed Threshold			
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00

### **Overall Progress Narrative**

Vermont's initial Recovery Housing Program Action Plan was submitted to HUD in July 2021 with \$700,000 out of its \$1,544,652 of FY20 and FY21 RHP funds assigned as pre-award costs to two projects – Jenna's Sober Living and Barre Recovery Residence. These two projects also include \$800,000 of CDBG funding.

Between the time the Action Plan was submitted and the time it was approved in January 2022, the remaining \$721,080 of FY20 and FY21 RHP funds available for grants were allocated to two projects – 612 Gage Street Recovery Housing and VFOR Essex Recovery Housing. Both project requests were reduced due to lack of available RHP funding.

On May 16, 2022, Vermont received notice of its third allocation FY22 allocation and in June of 2022 awarded \$500,000 out of the \$755,059 allocation (third allocation) to Squire Recovery Housing project, which was included as pre-award costs in our amendment to the RHP action plan for the FY22 allocation. The 612 Gage Street project went out to bid and costs came in higher and now has a budget gap. They requested an enhancement out of the FY22 allocation to bring their total to the maximum award amount of \$500,000, this was also included in the pre-award costs for the RHP action plan first amendment that was approved.

In February 2023 Vermont's allocations were posted on HUD's website and learned we would be receiving a fourth allocation in the amount of \$991,106. Again, in June 2023 07110-IG-2021-Bennington-04 - 612 Gage Street was awarded another \$500,000 in

RHP FY22 & FY23, bringing the award total to \$1 million and will be part of our preaward costs for FY-2023 amendment to the RHP Action Plan.

#### Here is the current list of RHP Grant Awards (\$2,560,540 Total):

Award Amount	Municipality	Project ID and Title
\$500,000	City of Barre	07110-IG-2020-Barre C-51 Barre Recovery Residence
\$200,000	Town of Johnson	07110-IG-2019-Johnson-14 Jenna's Sober Living
\$1,000,000	Town of Bennington	07110-IG-2021-Bennington-04 612 Gage Street
\$360,450	Town of Essex	07110-IG-2021-Essex-14 VFOR - Essex Recovery Housing
\$500,000	Town of Bennington	07110-IG-2021-Bennington-03 Squire Recovery Housing

VCDP staff have been providing technical assistance to applicants on their application submitted as well as collaborating with the Agency of Human Services (AHS) staff from Division of Substance Use (DSU) and Department of Corrections (DOC) on the review of applications received. VCDP staff have been diligently working with the grantees on getting their award conditions submitted, comments on draft grant agreements, executing grant agreements, special conditions, requisitions, and amendments submitted. VCDP staff have been providing compliance technical assistance. VCDP staff met with DSU, DOC and VTARR staff to discuss the current recovery housing needs and let them know the remaining funds available from Vermont's 4th allocation for FY23. VCDP staff have been adding data to the DRGR and processing requisitions. VCDP staff went to the open house of the Barre Recovery Residence in December 2023. VCDP staff monitored and toured the Johnson project in April 2023.

Over the past year \$57,130.21 of administrative funds has been drawn \$9,368.90 of FY20 funds and \$47,761.31 of FY21. For rehabilitation funds, Barre Recovery Residence drew their \$500,000 (FY20 \$492,760 & FY21 \$7,240) and Jenna's Sober Living drew their \$200,000 (FY21) for a total of \$700,000. We had to move funding \$200,000 of FY21 out Bennington Gage Street project into Johnson's Jenna Sober Living to comply with the 30% expenditure requirement.



We anticipate completing our amendment for F23 by the beginning of next year so Bennington's Gage Street and Squires Recovery Housing projects can draw funds in the spring of 2024.

Our anticipated outcomes have been updated to reflect the five projects projected outcomes above and will be updated in our amendment for the FY23 allocation. The accomplished outcomes have been added to their perspective projects and under Anticipated Outcomes in this report.

#### **Public Notice**

Our required public notice was placed in the in the following daily newspapers in English, French and Spanish seeking comment on our Comprehensive Annual Performance and Evaluation Report for Recovery Housing Program: Rutland Herald, St. Albans Messenger, Bennington Banner, Brattleboro Reformer, and the Times-Argus. It was also published in the weekly Seven Days paper. Two copies of the notice have been uploaded under documents.

The public notice was also emailed out to all Selectboard Members and Municipal Officials

### **Project Summary**

Project#, Project Title	This Report Period	To D	ate
	Program Funds Drawdown	Project Funds Budgeted	Program Funds Drawdown
1002, Rehabilitation	700,000	1,421,080	700,000
B-20-RH-50-0001	492,760	692,760	492,760
B-21-RH-50-0001	207,240	728,320	207,240
B-22-RH-50-0001	0	0	0
9999, Restricted Balance	0	0	0
B-20-RH-50-0001	0	0	0
B-21-RH-50-0001	0	0	0
B-22-RH-50-0001	0	0	0
RHP State Administration, RHP State Administration	57,130.21	123,572	108,001.31
B-20-RH-50-0001	9,368.9	60,240	60,240
B-21-RH-50-0001	47,761.31	63,332	47,761.31
B-22-RH-50-0001	0	0	0

#### **Project/Activity Index:** Project # **Project Title Grantee Activity Activity Title** # Rehabilitation 07110-IG-2019-1002 07110-IG-2019-Johnson-14 Johnson-14 Jennas Sober Living Project 1002 Rehabilitation 07110-IG-2020-07110-IG-2020-Barre C-51 Barre C-51 Barre Recovery Residence 07110-IG-2021-1002 Rehabilitation 07110-IG-2021-Bennington-04 Bennington-04 612 Gage Street RHP State RHP State RHP State RHP State Administration Administration 3% Administration Administration 3% Technical Assistance RHP State RHP State RHP State RHP State Administration Administration Administration Administration 5% 5%

### **Activities**

### Project # 1002/Rehabilitation

07110-IG-2019-Johnson-14 – Jennas Sober Living Project

Grantee Activity Number:

07110-IG-2019-Johnson-14 0711

**Activity Type:** 

RHP - Rehab. and Reconstruction of

Single-Unit Residential

**Project Number:** 

1002

**Projected Start Date:** 

06/15/2021

**National Objective:** 

LMC

**Responsible Organization:** 

Town of Johnson

**Benefit Type:** 

Direct Benefit (Persons)

**Activity Title:** 

07110-IG-2019-Johnson-14 Jennas

Sober Living Project

**Activity Status:** 

Under Way

**Project Title:** 

Rehabilitation

**Projected End Date:** 

12/31/2025

**Completed Activity Actual End Date:** 

Overall	Oct 1 thru Sep 30, 2023	To Date
Total Projected Budget from All Sources:	\$0.00	\$200,000.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	(\$200,000.00)	\$0.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$200,000.00	\$200,000.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Budget:	\$0.00	\$200,000.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	(\$200,000.00)	\$0.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$200,000.00	\$200,000.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00

Overall	Oct 1 thru Sep 30, 2023	To Date
Total Obligated:	\$0.00	\$200,000.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	(\$200,000.00)	\$0.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$200,000.00	\$200,000.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Funds Drawdown	\$200,000.00	\$200,000.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$200,000.00	\$200,000.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Funds Drawdown:	\$200,000.00	\$200,000.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$200,000.00	\$200,000.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Income Drawdown:	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Income Received:	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Funds Expended:	\$200,000.00	\$200,000.00
Town of Johnson	\$200,000.00	\$200,000.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$200,000.00	\$200,000.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Most Impacted and Distressed Expended:	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00
Match Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00
Non-Match Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Funds		

Overall	This Report Period	To Date
Match Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00

Accomplishments Performance Measures						
	This Report Period	Cumulative Actual Total / Expected				
	Total	Total				
Facility or Group Home	1	1/1				
Increased residential capacity as # of beds	8	8/8				
# of persons that transitioned to permanent housing	1	1/3				
# of persons with additional disability	0	0/0				

	This Report Period  Total	Cumulative Actual Total / Expected Total
# of Housing Units	1	1/1
# of Singlefamily Units	1	1/1

Beneficiaries Performance Measures							
This Report Period				Cumulative Actual Total / Expected			
	Low	Mod	Total	Low	Mod T	otal	Low/Mod%
# of Persons	12	0	12	12/20	0/0 12	2/20	100

Cumulative Race Total						
	This Report Period Cumulative Ac					
Direct Benefit (Persons)	Total Hispanic/Latino Total H			Hispanic/Latino		
White	12	0	12	0		



#### **Activity Description:**

Subgrant of \$300,000 CDBG funds to Jenna's Promise LLC to rehabilitate and revitalize a vacant building in downtown Johnson into a coffee shop and supportive housing for people in recovery from substance use disorder. The coffee shop will be located on the lower level of the building with the housing on the upper level. \$200,000 of RHP funds will be used to rehabilitate the upstairs six bedrooms that will house up to eight women in recovery.

#### **Location Description:**

38 Lower Main Street West, Johnson, VT 05656-9003





#### **Activity Progress Narrative:**

The grant agreement for this project with the Town of Johnson included CDBG and RHP funds and all the funds have been drawn as of January 2023. Construction of the housing units is complete, and beds are currently being utilized. To the right is a picture of the common space for residents in the facility.

This public facility for transitional housing for individuals suffering from substance



disorders also included an economic component, a coffee shop downstairs. As part of a resident's recovery, they have an employment requirement for a portion of their time during their treatment stay, and some are employed in the coffee

shop. In April 2023 VCDP staff met with Town officials and Jenna Promise staff to tour the units and completed coffee shop.

The July 2023 flooding impacted three of Jenna's Promise buildings in Johnson, luckily not this facility. Their health center was impacted. Jenna's Promise had to stop taking new residents until the facilities were rehabilitated.

A total of twelve people has resided on the property since it opened. All individuals were 30% of median income. One person has transitioned to permanent housing.

#### 07110-IG-2020-Barre C-51 Barre Recovery Residence

**Grantee Activity Number:** 

07110-IG-2020-Barre C-51

**Activity Type:** 

RHP - Rehab. and Reconstruction of

Single-Unit Residential

**Project Number:** 

1002

**Projected Start Date:** 

04/05/2021

**National Objective:** 

LMC

**Responsible Organization:** 

Barre City

**Benefit Type:** 

Direct Benefit (Persons)

**Activity Title:** 

07110-IG-2020-Barre C-51 Barre

Recovery Residence

**Activity Status:** 

**Under Way** 

**Project Title:** 

Rehabilitation

**Projected End Date:** 

12/31/2025

**Completed Activity Actual End Date:** 

Overall	Oct 1 thru Sep 30, 2023	To Date
Total Projected Budget from All Sources:	\$0.00	\$500,000.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$492,760.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$7,240.00
Total Budget:	\$0.00	\$500,000.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$492,760.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$7,240.00
Total Obligated:	\$0.00	\$500,000.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$492,760.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$7,240.00
Total Funds Drawdown	\$500,000.00	\$500,000.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$492,760.00	\$492,760.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$7,240.00	\$7,240.00
Program Funds Drawdown:	\$500,000.00	\$500,000.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$492,760.00	\$492,760.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$7,240.00	\$7,240.00
Program Income Drawdown:	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Income Received:	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Funds Expended:	\$500,000.00	\$500,000.00
Barre City	\$500,000.00	\$500,000.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$492,760.00	\$492,760.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$7,240.00	\$7,240.00
Most Impacted and Distressed Expended:	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00
Match Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00
Non-Match Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00



Accomplishments Performance Measures							
	This Report Period	Cumulative Actual Total / Expected					
	Total	Total					
Facility or Group Home	1	1/1					
Increased residential capacity as # of beds	15	15/6					
# of persons that transitioned to permanent housing	1	1/2					
# of persons with additional disability	0	0/0					

	This Report Period Total	Cumulative Actual Total / Expected Total
# of Housing Units	3	3/3
# of Singlefamily Units	3	3/3



Beneficiaries Performance Measures								
This Report Period				Cum		e Actu	ual Total / d	
	Low	Mod	Total	Low	Mod	Total	Low/Mod%	
# of Persons	4	0	4	4/15	0/0	4/15	100	

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	Т	his Report Perio	Cumulative Actua Total	al	
Direct Benefit (Persons)	Total	Hispanic/Latino	Total	Hispanic/Latino	
White	4	0	4	0	

#### **Activity Description:**

Subgrant to Downstreet Housing to acquire and rehabilitate 31 Keith Ave. in Barre in order to turn the property into a Recovery Residence. The project will renovate 3 family units to be dedicated to women in recovery who also have children. Downstreet has partnered with Vermont Foundation of Recovery (VFOR) to staff and operate the program.

#### **Location Description:**

31 Keith Ave. Barre VT 05641





#### **Activity Progress Narrative:**

The grant agreement for this project with the City of Barre was executed and all the funds have been drawn since February 2023, \$500,000 in RHP and \$500,000 in CDBG. Construction of the housing units is complete, and beds are currently being utilized.



VCDP staff visited the Barre Recovery Residence, now known as the Foundation House grand opening event on December 6, 2022, to tour the facility.

The facility is experiencing slow intakes; we will be reaching out to them to meet with them to go over their intake process to see if that can be modified to speed up the process. AHS and VTARR both said it's common in summertime to have lower enrollment for these types of facilities.

A total of four people has resided on the property since it opened. All individuals were 30% of median income. One person has transitioned to permanent housing.

Photos of the facility and a couple inside common areas have been uploaded under documents.

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#### 07110-IG-2021-Bennington-04 612 Gage Street

Grantee Activity Number:

07110-IG-2021-Bennington-04

**Activity Type:** 

RHP - Rehab. and Reconstruction of

Single-Unit Residential

**Project Number:** 

1002

**Projected Start Date:** 

11/18/2021

**National Objective:** 

LMC

**Responsible Organization:** 

Town of Bennington

**Benefit Type:** 

Direct Benefit (Persons)

**Activity Title:** 

07110-IG-2021-Bennington-04 612 Gage

Street

**Activity Status:** 

**Under Way** 

**Project Title:** 

Rehabilitation

**Projected End Date:** 

12/31/2025

**Completed Activity Actual End Date:** 

Overall	Oct 1 thru Sep 30, 2023	To Date
Total Projected Budget from All Sources:	\$0.00	\$555,195.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$200,000.00	\$200,000.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	(\$200,000.00)	\$160,540.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$194,655.00
Total Budget:	\$0.00	\$555,195.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$200,000.00	\$200,000.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	(\$200,000.00)	\$160,540.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$194,655.00
Total Obligated:	\$0.00	\$360,540.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$200,000.00	\$200,000.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	(\$200,000.00)	\$160,540.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Funds Drawdown	\$0.00	\$0.00

Overall	Oct 1 thru Sep 30, 2023	To Date
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Funds Drawdown:	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Income Drawdown:	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Income Received:	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Funds Expended:	\$0.00	\$0.00
Agency of Commerce and Community Development	\$0.00	\$0.00
Town of Bennington	\$0.00	\$0.00
Most Impacted and Distressed Expended:	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00
Match Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00
Non-Match Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00

Other Funds	This Board	T. D. (.
Overall	This Report Period	To Date
Match Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00

Accomplishments Performance Measures				
	This Report Period	Cumulative Actual Total / Expected		
	Total	Total		
Facility or Group Home	0	0/1		
Increased residential capacity as # of beds	0	0/9		
# of persons that transitioned to permanent housing	0	0/2		
# of persons with additional disability	0	0/0		

	This Report Period  Total	Cumulative Actual Total / Expected Total
# of Housing Units	0	0/2
# of Singlefamily Units	0	0/2

Beneficiaries Performance Measures							
		This Report Period		Cumulative Actual Tota Expected			
	Low	Mod	Total	Low	Mod	Total	Low/Mod%
# of Persons	0	0	0	0/8	0/2	0/10	0

#### **Activity Description:**

Subgrant to Shires Housing for the rehabilitation of 612 Gage Street in Bennington, VT. The building will have two units with 9 total bedrooms dedicated to men in recovery, including one housing manager who will also be in recovery. Shires will own the property and act as property manager through the Limited Partnership. The building will be designed to meet the programmatic needs to the Turning Point Center as they enter into a long-term master lease with Shires.

#### **Location Description:**

612 Gage Street, Bennington VT 05201



#### **Activity Progress Narrative:**

During this program year, we had to move funding \$200,000 of FY21 out Bennington Gage Street project into Johnson's Jenna Sober Living to comply with the 30% expenditure requirement.

The subgrantee Shires Housing had staff turnover so VCDP staff have been providing technical assistance to guide them and the Grantee on meeting their award conditions for this project which they need to be submitted prior to us being able to offer a grant agreement. One of the remaining open issues is still a funding gap, due to receiving a reduced award amount due to lack of RHP funds being available and bids coming in higher. In November 2022 the grantee received an award of \$139,460 out of RHP FY2022 funds to bring their award to their original request to help with the gap. Again, in June 2023 they were awarded another \$500,000 in RHP FY22 & FY23, bringing the award total to \$1 million and will be part of our pre-award costs for FY-2023 amendment to the RHP Action Plan.

The grantee has secured a second award from Vermont Department of Health, Division of Substance Use for operational expenses for their project partner Turning Point Center of Bennington.

Their construction manager has issued an RFP, with construction now kicking off likely by November 2023, and completion and funds drawn by spring of 2024, and occupancy by September 2024.

#### 07110-IG-2021-Essex-14 VFOR Essex Recovery Housing

The Grantee is still working on award conditions for this project which need to be submitted prior to us being able to offer a grant agreement. They anticipated completing all conditions required by mid-November 2022, but when bids were received, they were substantially higher and now have a funding gap. They are doing some value engineering and will be submitting an enhancement request to our program in October 2023. The environmental release has been approved for the project with one condition required, that they will be installing a radon mitigation system. The subgrantee is currently master-leasing 8 of the 12 apartments to Vermont Foundation of Recovery (VFOR) as recovery homes serving a total of 24 residents – the remaining 4 apartments are vacant. The homes have not yet undergone the planned renovations which will combine apartments to promote more resident interaction, but the homes are functioning well while they work on completing grant conditions and start construction. They anticipate construction will begin in December 2023 and be complete in 8 months. They anticipate requisitioning funds in March 2023 for reimbursement of construction costs up to that point.

#### 07110-IG-2021-Bennington-03 Squire Recovery Housing Project

During this program year, the subgrantee Shires Housing had staff turnover so VCDP staff have been providing technical assistance to guide them and the Grantee on meeting their award conditions for this project which they need to be submitted prior to us being able to offer a grant agreement. When the project went out to bid, they came back considerably higher, resulting in a funding gap. During this time, they were able to seek other funding sources and do some value engineering to fill the gap. They hired a construction manager. They have also been working on their environmental release conditions. They now have a tax credit investor committed to the project which they hoped to close in July 2023. The project received \$500,000 in RHP FY22 funding and \$200,000 in CDBG funding.

They are anticipating going to construction Fall of 2023, with completion in March 2024 and occupancy by July 2024. They hope to draw funds by Spring of 2024.

# Project # RHP State Administration/ RHP State Administration

#### RHP State Administration 3% Technical Assistance

**Grantee Activity Number:** Activity Title:

RHP State Administration 3% RHP State Administration 3% Technical

Assistance

Activity Type:
Administration
Activity Status:
Under Way

Project Number:

RHP State Administration **Project Title:**RHP State Administration

Projected Start Date:

12/01/2020 **Projected End Date:** 09/01/2027

National Objective:

N/A Completed Activity Actual End Date:

**Responsible Organization:** 

Agency of Commerce and Community Development

**Benefit Type:** 

N/A

Overall	Oct 1 thru Sep 30, 2023	To Date
Total Projected Budget from All Sources:	\$0.00	\$68,990.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$22,590.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$23,749.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$22,651.00
Total Budget:	\$0.00	\$68,990.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$22,590.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$23,749.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$22,651.00
Total Obligated:	\$0.00	\$46,339.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$22,590.00

Overall	Oct 1 thru Sep 30, 2023	To Date
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$23,749.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Funds Drawdown	\$22,973.28	\$43,707.41
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$1,855.87	\$22,590.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$21,117.41	\$21,117.41
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Funds Drawdown:	\$22,973.28	\$43,707.41
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$1,855.87	\$22,590.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$21,117.41	\$21,117.41
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Income Drawdown:	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Income Received:	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Funds Expended:	\$22,973.28	\$22,973.28
Agency of Commerce and Community Development	\$22,973.28	\$22,973.28
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$1,855.87	\$1,855.87
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$21,117.41	\$21,117.41
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Most Impacted and Distressed Expended:	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00
Match Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00
Non-Match Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00

Other Funds Overall	This Report Period	To Date
Match Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00

#### **Activity Description:**

RHP State Administration 3% to provide Technical Assistance for grantees for Round 1 and 2

#### **Location Description:**

#### **Activity Progress Narrative:**

VCDP staff have been providing technical assistance to applicants on their applications submitted. VCDP staff have been diligently working with the grantees on getting their award conditions submitted, comments on draft grant agreements, executing grant agreements, special conditions, amendments and requisitions for grants to move forward and draw funds. VCDP staff have been providing compliance technical assistance regarding procurement, Davis-Bacon and environmental review.

#### RHP State Administration 5%

**Grantee Activity Number:** 

RHP State Administration 5%

**Activity Type:** Administration

**Project Number:** 

RHP State Administration

**Projected Start Date:** 

12/01/2020

**National Objective:** 

N/A

**Responsible Organization:** 

Agency of Commerce and Community Development

**Benefit Type:** 

N/A

**Activity Title:** 

RHP State Administration 5%

**Activity Status:** 

**Under Way** 

**Project Title:** 

**RHP State Administration** 

**Projected End Date:** 

09/01/2027

**Completed Activity Actual End Date:** 

Overall	Oct 1 thru Sep 30, 2023	To Date
Total Projected Budget from All Sources:	\$0.00	\$114,986.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$37,650.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$39,583.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$37,753.00
Total Budget:	\$0.00	\$114,986.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$37,650.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$39,583.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$37,753.00
Total Obligated:	\$0.00	\$77,233.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$37,650.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$39,583.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Funds Drawdown	\$34,156.93	\$64,293.90



Overall	Oct 1 thru Sep 30, 2023	To Date
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$7,513.03	\$37,650.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$26,643.90	\$26,643.90
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Funds Drawdown:	\$34,156.93	\$64,293.90
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$7,513.03	\$37,650.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$26,643.90	\$26,643.90
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Income Drawdown:	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Income Received:	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Funds Expended:	\$34,156.93	\$34,156.93
Agency of Commerce and Community Development	\$34,156.93	\$34,156.93
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$7,513.03	\$7,513.03
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$26,643.90	\$26,643.90
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Most Impacted and Distressed Expended:	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-20-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-22-RH-50-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00
Match Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00
Non-Match Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00

Other Funds Overall	This Report Period	To Date
Match Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00

#### **Activity Description:**

RHP State Administration 5% to manage the program.

#### **Location Description:**

#### **Activity Progress Narrative:**

VCDP staff have been working on the RHP Action Plan through the approval process and its annual reporting. VCDP staff have been collaborating with the Agency of Human Services (AHS) staff from Division of Substance Use (DSU) and Department of Corrections (DOC) on the review of applications and amendments received. VCDP staff have been meeting with the Intervention Treatment and Recovery Committee (which provides recommendations to the Governor's office) on a monthly basis to better understand the needs of persons in recovery in the State of Vermont. VCDP staff met with DSU, DOC and VTARR staff to discuss the current recovery housing needs and let them know the remaining funds available from Vermont's 4th allocation, FY23 funds. VCDP staff have been adding data to the DRGR and processing requisitions. VCDP staff went to the open house of the Barre Recovery Residence in December 2023. VCDP staff monitored and toured the Johnson project in April 2023.