

Implementation Grant Application under the Vermont Community Development Program

Town of Hardwick (in partnership with Heartbeet Lifesharing)

Program description:

Heartbeet Lifesharing is adding a new residence funded entirely by Heartbeet Lifesharing. The new residence provides 3 new spots for Vermonters with intellectual and developmental disabilities to receive services 365 days per year. This program will also support the employment of a minimum 3 new full-time staff and will target them to be hired and trained during autumn 2024. This growth will also increase stability and support for the current 14 Vermonters receiving services and add to the already established staff of 25 employees and 7 volunteers.

Heartbeet has identified increased costs of \$163,325 year over year, from fiscal year 2023-24 to fiscal year 2024-25 to provide the increased services and administer the grant. The Town of Hardwick’s request for funding is \$112,587 through the Vermont community Development Program (VCDP) in collaboration with Heartbeet Lifesharing. Heartbeet is matching \$50,738 (31%) to be provided through its traditional funding sources (Vermont DDSD funding provided through Vermont Designated Agencies).

Budget:

	2024-25
New Residence Uses	Year 1
Auto (Running Costs)	14,000
Food - 3 Residents & 3 Staff	12,500
Household (Running Costs)	18,000
Utilitites	15,500
Insurance	4,750
Salaries 2 Householders / 1 Support Coworker	61,477
Vehicle Purchase	25,000
Sub-Total Uses	151,227
VCDP Grant Administration 8%	12,098
Total Uses with Grant Admin	163,325