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Renee Pierce, Town Clerk/Treasurer Select Board Members Town of Waitsfield 9 Bridge Street Waitsfield, VT 05673 RECEIVED

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TOWN OF WAITSFIELD

Dear Ms Pierce and Select Board Members:

With this letter, the Family Center of Washington County respectfully requests \$500 in the budget to go before the voters of Waitsfield in 2016, the same as last year's request.

During our last fiscal year, July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015, it was our pleasure to serve 34 members of the Waitsfield community through our array of child development and family support services. A completed town summary report is enclosed with this letter. We look forward to continuing our activities in Waitsfield during the coming year.

Thank you for your on-going assistance in facilitating this request to be on your town meeting ballot. Your support is important — it demonstrates to government agencies and private foundations that we have the support of communities where we provide services.

Sincerely,

Joann K. Jenkins

Administrative Assistant

Enclosure



FAMILY CENTER OF WASHINGTON COUNTYserving families in Waitsfield

The Family Center of Washington County fosters the positive growth and development of young children and their families. We offer services for children, youth and families, including: Early Care and Education, Children's Integrated Services-Early Intervention, Family Support Home Visiting, Specialized Child Care supports, Transportation, Child Care Provider supports, Reach Up and Job Development, Family Works, Child Care Financial Assistance, Child Care Referral, Welcome Baby visits, Strengthening Families Demonstration Project, Parent Education, and Playgroups for children from birth to five. For more information about Family Center programs and services, please visit: www.fcwcvt.org.

Among the 34 individuals in Waitsfield who benefited from the Family Center's programs and services from July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015 were:

- *4 families who consulted our Child Care and other Resource and Referral services, receiving assistance in finding child care to meet their needs, answering questions related to child care and child development, and receiving information about other community resources available to them.
- *7 families who received Child Care Financial Assistance.
- *8 licensed and registered child care providers and other support agencies who consulted our Child Care Provider Support services, and received monthly newsletters and training on a wide variety of topics through home visits, conferences, and workshops.
- *7 adults and children who participated in Parent Education workshops and related activities for children.
- *7 individuals who were served by one of our Home Visiting services, providing parent and family education and support.
- *1 individual who received employment training in our Reach Up Job Development.

We are grateful for the support shown by the voters of Waitsfield. For more information about Family Center programs and services, contact Information and Assistance at (802) 262-3292, Ext. 122.

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