

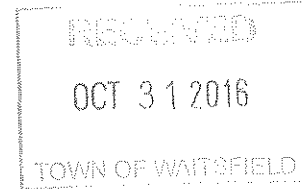


To: Town of Waitsfield

From: Sandy Rousse
CVHHH President & CEO

Date: October 26, 2016

Subject: 2017 Town Funding Request



Please accept this as Central Vermont Home Health and Hospice's written request to be listed on your March 2017-18 warning/ballot for town funding in the amount of \$3,450. This request is the same amount as last year's allocation.

Our mission is to provide high quality, medically-necessary home health and hospice care to all central Vermonters regardless of their ability to pay. In order to maintain our commitment to this mission we are finding it necessary to raise more funds. To this end we are asking each of the 23 towns in our service area to take steps to approach a minimum allocation of \$2 per capita for their town.

The health care industry is changing dramatically. Hospital patients are being discharged home "quicker and sicker", more people are choosing to receive their end-of-life care at home, and there is a growing demand for community-based long term care services. Yet, while labor and transportation costs are increasing, CVHHH is faced with continuing Medicare rate cuts and inadequate funding for many crucial programs.

Therefore, town funds are more important than ever to support critical home health, hospice, long term care and health promotion programs to the residents of Waitsfield who are uninsured, underinsured, or otherwise unable to pay.

Should you have any questions or require further information, please feel free to contact me or Daniel Pudvah, our Development Director at 223-1878.

Thank you for your kind attention to this request.

Sincerely,

Sandy Rousse
President & CEO