



September 30th, 2024

Town of Charlotte Selectboard Members
Town of Charlotte
P.O. Box 119
Charlotte, Vermont 05445

Dear Selectboard Members and the people of the Town of Charlotte,

I am writing this proposal on behalf of **H.O.P.E. Works** to request funding for services we provide to survivors of sexual violence, specifically in the Town of Charlotte. We are extremely grateful for the \$1,000 contribution you awarded us in 2020 and now we ask that you consider us for funding for our fiscal year 2025.

H.O.P.E. Works is a nonprofit organization (TIN# 03-0284577) that has served residents of Chittenden County for 50 years. H.O.P.E. Works offers the only 24 hours-a-day, 7 days-a-week hotline for survivors of sexual violence in Chittenden County– and our agency’s advocacy programs become busier each year.

H.O.P.E. Works advocates responded to 2003 hotline calls and provided comprehensive victim services to over 515 survivors of sexual violence and their loved ones in FY2024. In addition, HOPE Works staff provided support and assistance to survivors at the hospital, police stations, courthouses, and other service organizations.

We hope that you see our work as critical to the people of the community. We ask that the town considers any amount of funding to help us sustain our work. We appreciate your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Erika Linskey", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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