

Greetings,

I am a resident of Athens, Vermont. I am writing to encourage you to oppose the governor's proposed \$11.6 million for a new 16-bed "secure residential" facility to replace the current 7-bed Middlesex Therapeutic Community Residence (TCR).

As an LGBTQ+ person in a multiracial family, I am especially concerned because facilities like these disproportionately harm LGBTQ+ and BIPOC people.

Thank you,

Isaac Leslie