



Opiates Abatement Authority  
Partnership Grant

04/06/2023

Dear OAA Authority,

Please accept this letter of support for HOPE House project

The Community Foundation for Rockbridge, Bath and Alleghany is committed to provide \$160,096 towards the renovation costs of the project.

This is a very important project to us, given this is not a service offered in our area and the importance of sober living homes as part of recovery.

We are committed to the renovation, certification, training and start-up of this project and plan to oversee it for the first five years of operations. We will assist Rockbridge Recovery in every way possible to see this project succeed.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Lori Turner  
Executive Director

7 East Washington Street  
Post Office Box 20  
Lexington, Virginia 24450

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TELEPHONE: 540.463.0943

CELL: 540.414.2674

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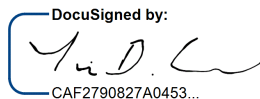
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Community Foundation for Rockbridge, Bath and Alleghany  
PO Box 20  
Lexington, VA 24450

Re: In Kind Donation Pledge Letter

Lori,

I am the leader of Care Kits which is able to provide essential needs for the men during their time at the HOPE house. We can commit to approximately \$1500 annually for the project.

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Tonia Clemmer

3/4/2023

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**May 03, 2023**

**MEMO: Support for HOPE house Buena Vista**

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Lexington VA 24450  
540-463-4981

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P O Box 20  
Lexington VA 24450

**MEMO** for Rockbridge Recovery program

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March 06

*Bill M. Anderson*  
Bill M. Anderson  
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

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# Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority Application and Terms and Conditions for Cities and Counties to Receive OAA “Gold Standard” Incentive Funds

## 1. Contact Information

- a. Name of City or County: Buena Vista, Virginia  city  county
- b. Physical address: 2039 Sycamore Avenue Buena Vista, VA 24416
- c. Mailing address: 2039 Sycamore Avenue Buena Vista, VA 24416  
(if different than physical address)
- d. Contact Person for this application
- i. Name: Jason Tyree
- ii. Job Title: City Manager
- iii. Office Phone: 540-261-8601 Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_
- iv. Email: citymanager@bvcity.org

## 2. Agreements

The governing body of the city or county named in this application is applying to the OAA to receive the incentive that increases the city or county’s OAA Distribution by 25% for FY2023 and FY2024. To qualify for the incentive, the city or county agrees to the terms and conditions set forth for the OAA Distributions to Cities and Counties as well as the following requirements:

- a. The city or county will create and maintain separate accounting records for funds received from the OAA Distribution and from Direct Distribution in accordance with relevant guidance published by the Auditor of Public Accounts.
- b. The city or county voluntarily agrees to apply the requirements of Code of Virginia §2.2-2370 (A), to its Direct Distributions. These set of requirements are known as the “Gold Standard.”
- c. The city or county has adopted and attached a resolution noting that it will voluntarily agree to meet the OAA’s “Gold Standard” requirements in return for a 25% increase in OAA funding for FY2023 and FY2024.

**Application and Terms and Conditions for Cities and Counties  
to Receive OAA "Gold Standard" Incentive Funds**

**3. Signature**

Signature section must be completed by the person designated with signatory authority in the resolution noted in Part 2.c of this application.

*"I swear or affirm that all information contained in and attached to this application is true to the best of my knowledge."*

Signature  \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name Jason Tyree \_\_\_\_\_

Title City Manager \_\_\_\_\_

Date 05/05/2023 \_\_\_\_\_



Opiates Abatement Authority  
Partnership Grant

04/06/2023

Dear OAA Authority,

Please accept this letter of support for HOPE House project

The Community Foundation for Rockbridge, Bath and Alleghany is committed to provide \$65,000 towards the renovation costs of the project.

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Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you,

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Executive Director

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Lori Turner



Welsh Construction Inc.  
15-A N Randolph Street  
Lexington, VA 24450

February 28, 2023

Community Foundation  
7 East Washington Street  
Lexington, VA 24450

Attention Lori Turner:

Welsh Construction Inc intends to donate labor resources to the HOPE House Renovation Project. Hours will be provided to assist in various areas according to the projected breakdown:

Job Management – 150 Hours @ \$68/hour  
Carpentry – 160 Hours @ \$68/hour  
Equipment – 20 Hours @ \$110/hour  
CAD – 40 Hours @ \$65/hour

The total intended contribution of hours would add up to a dollar value of \$25,880.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James M Humphries".

James M Humphries  
President  
Welsh Construction Inc  
matt@welshconstruction.com



**Built on a Foundation of Family and Community**

1398 North Lee Highway  
Lexington, VA 24450  
(540) 463-7393

February 24, 2023

Dear Lori Turner,

Spencer Home Center looks forward to helping with the expansion of Rockbridge Recovery's Hope House. I appreciate your vision and passion to make this much needed service expand in our area. As discussed, Spencer Home Center will donate \$15,000 towards this project in financial support as well as an in-kind donation of \$ 9,614.64. Please keep me updated on your progress and the anticipated start date.

Sincerely,

Eric Spencer  
Spencer Home Center



Community Foundation for  
Rockbridge, Bath, and Alleghany Counties  
7 E. Washington Street  
P.O. Box 20  
Lexington, VA 24450

February 28, 2023

Rockbridge Flooring & More commits to providing both the labor and the materials for new flooring in the Hope House located at 1813 Magnolia Avenue in Buena Vista, Virginia.

Estimate of in-kind donations are as follows:

- 1,700 square feet of glue-down luxury vinyl plank valued at \$ \$6,443
- Installation services valued at \$6,970
- Total In-Kind Donation: \$13,413

With Thanks,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Casey'.

Casey L. Higgins



Good Morning,

We here at Byers Technical Institute work very closely with the Shenandoah Valley Workforce and we would like to congratulate you on this wonderful program Rockbridge Recovery. We think that this would be a great opportunity for us to offer some partnership with Rockbridge Recovery to give the individuals of this program to learn a trade in welding. The Shenandoah Valley Workforce would help with the cost of the courses and we here at Byers Technical Institute will provide the proper training.

The Shenandoah Valley Workforce has also started a new work study were individuals 18-25 years of age would not only have their schooling paid for but would also earn a paycheck to attend the school as well. Then after they receive their welding certification they will be offered a job with Byers Inc out of Natural Bridge Virginia (founded by the same owner as Byers Technical Institute Ron Byers).

We here at Byers Technical Institute look forward to seeing what the future holds for Rockbridge Recovery. We hope nothing but the best for this awesome foundation.

Thanks,

*Brooke Goff*

Brooke Goff  
Office Administrator  
Byers Technical Institute





## Rockbridge Area Relief Association

350 Spotswood Drive  
Lexington, VA 24450  
(540) 463-6943  
[www.raralex.org](http://www.raralex.org)

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February 16, 2023

To: Lori Turner  
Executive Director  
Community Foundation HOPE House Project  
PO Box 20  
Lexington, VA 24450

Dear Ms. Turner,

This letter is to share Rockbridge Area Relief Association's (RARA) support for the Community Foundation HOPE House Project. As a non-profit whose mission is to aid Rockbridge area households in a time of emergency when help is needed to meet life's basic needs, we understand the need for additional resources to address substance use disorders. Once the project has started, RARA's Neighborhood Grocery will provide food to the six residents weekly. The estimated value of the food that would be provided to six people over a period of one year is \$20,000. We look forward to this partnership and seeing the support it will bring to Rockbridge County.

Sincerely,

Lindsey Perez  
RARA Executive Director  
[director@raralex.org](mailto:director@raralex.org)  
540-463-6943



Dear Lori,

Here is an in-kind pledge to the Rockbridge Recovery HOPE House Project.

The house clients could shop once a week at our pantry which could be valued at approximately \$350 (\$18,200 annually) depending on what we have that week, including meat and fresh produce.

We also have a hot meal on the second Thursday of each month, which could be a \$20 value per client (\$6,240 annually) as it is all you can eat and we send home leftovers.

We also have used clothing and sometimes furniture, which can be valued at \$30 a week per client (\$9,360 annually).

We can also provide community service hours through the pantry and Buena Vista Community Garden.

That will calculate to a total of \$33,800 per year for six men.

Grateful that you are heading this up.

Sam @Bridge to Hope

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FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT\*  
FOR HEALTHY LIVING  
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

March 24, 2023

Rockbridge Recovery HOPE House Project  
Community Foundation for Rockbridge, Bath and Alleghany  
PO Box 20  
Lexington, VA 24450

Thank you for including the Rockbridge Area YMCA in the HOPE House Project. We look forward to assisting project participants toward their wellness goals on their sobriety journey!

The Rockbridge Area YMCA is committed to providing fully subsidized YMCA Individual Memberships to the residents of HOPE House, while enrolled in the project (pending agreement and pre-screening). Please see below for the in-kind valuation for YMCA memberships.

<b>Program</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Units</b>	<b>Total</b>
YMCA Joining Fee	\$50 one-time fee	12	\$ 600
YMCA Individual Membership	\$49 per month x 12 months	12 Individuals	\$7,056
			<b>\$7,656</b>

Thank you, again, and we look forward to sharing more membership details and benefits when you welcome project participants to HOPE House.

Sincerely,

Lori Miller  
Program Director  
Rockbridge Area YMCA

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*C & S Disposal, Inc.*

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LICENSE # 2705022941

PO BOX 499

NATURAL BRIDGE STATION, VA 24579

(P) 540-291-2433

(F) 540-291-3903

(E) [info@candsdisposal.com](mailto:info@candsdisposal.com)



March 24, 2023

Organization: Rockbridge Recovery

Contacts: Debi Ruley & Lori Turner

Location: 1813 Magnolia Avenue Buena Vista, VA 24416

Unit: 13YD roll-off dumpster

To Whom It May Concern:

Based on estimated values for the number of hauls and estimated duration of time that the roll-off dumpster will be needed, C&S Disposal, Inc. will be donating about \$630. The estimated hauls to the landfill was estimated at two per month. The estimated duration of time the roll-off dumpster will be needed is nine months.

Thank you,

C&S Disposal, Inc.



3/22/2023

CFRBA  
7 E Washington Street  
Lexington, VA 24450

To whom it may concern,

Advanced Drainage Systems, Inc. donated 30 pairs of safety glasses and 30 bump caps to CFRBA for the Rehab Facility Construction project. The value of the donation was \$212.91.

Sincerely,

*Carami Montoro*

Carami Montoro  
Payroll Specialist/Accountant  
Advanced Drainage Systems, Inc.  
1501 Factory Street  
Buena Vista, VA 24416  
(540) 261-6131

**Our reason is water.™**



# FIRST BRETHERN CHURCH

100 E. 29th Street  
Buena Vista, VA 24416

Mike Hamilton  
*Pastor*

Phone: (540) 261-6425

Fax: (540) 261-8091

February 24, 2023

To: Lori Turner  
Executive Director  
Community Foundation (CFRBA)

From: Pastor Michael Hamilton  
First Brethren Church Buena Vista

Subject: Rockbridge Recovery  
Bob Slagle Director

The Official Board of First Brethren Church entered into an agreement with Rockbridge Recovery to allow them to conduct classes at our Mission House. The agreement is on a yearly basis.

The Church had in years past when Pastor Derek Modlin was our Youth Pastor, part of his salary was based on the Church providing him housing at the Mission House. For his salary purposes it was determined through a local realtor that "if the Church were able to rent said housing could charge a reasonable monthly rent of \$700.00.

Therefore, it is our conclusion that the Church is providing a donation to Rockbridge Recovery of \$8400 per year that we agree to continue our relationship.

Sincerely,

Pastor Michael Hamilton

February 23, 2023

To: Lori Turner

Re: Hope House Project in Buena Vista, VA

Dear Lori,

We are happy to help support the Hope House community housing project.

We will give the following items to help furnish the Hope House:

Five (5) brand new, wool rugs, 6' x 9' retail value \$330/each

Thank you for the opportunity to support this important community project.

Best Regards,



Lynne MW Johnson  
Executive Director

Rockbridge Area Habitat for Humanity

30 E. Preston Street

Lexington, VA 24450

[lynne@rockbridgehabitat.org](mailto:lynne@rockbridgehabitat.org)

[www.rockbridgehabitat.org](http://www.rockbridgehabitat.org)



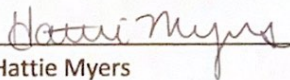


March 17, 2023

To whom it may concern:

Rockbridge Community Health Foundation has recently finalized their recommendations for 2023 grant funding. After thorough review, RCHF has decided to award \$20,000 to Rockbridge Recovery and Hope House for renovations and needed training. The Rockbridge Community Health Foundation is excited to be a part of this exciting movement in our community.

Sincerely,

  
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Hattie Myers  
Chief Administrator, RCHF

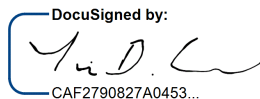
March 17, 2023  
Date

Community Foundation for Rockbridge, Bath and Alleghany  
PO Box 20  
Lexington, VA 24450

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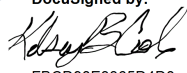
Re: In Kind Donation Pledge Letter

Lori,

I am the owner of KC Custom Tile and plan to donate my time in labor to the HOPE house renovation project.

I personally will donate my time to tile the bathroom for the project.

80 Hours @ \$ 30 an hour  
In Kind Labor donation of \$2600

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Kelsey Cole  
KC Custom Tile,  
Owner  
3/2/2023





19 February 2023

Community Foundation of RBAC  
Lori Turner, Administrator

Feed the Need Foundation pledges to \$8000 in financial support for the HOPE House. This support would be contingent on a grant being approved for the kitchen and laundry appliances.

Sincerely,

Kathy E. Larlee, Chairman  
Feed the Need Foundation  
540-466-0571 (Direct)

Feed the Need Foundation, 501c3  
50 Riders Ridge Trail  
Rockbridge County, VA 24416  
[www.feedtheneedfoundation.org](http://www.feedtheneedfoundation.org)  
800-484-8682



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PO Box 20  
Lexington, VA 24450

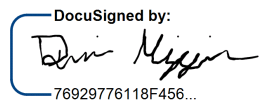
Re: In Kind Donation Pledge Letter

Lori,

I am the owner of Higgins Construction and plan to donate my time in labor to the HOPE house renovation project.

I personally will donate my time to assist with the carpentry work needed for the project.

64 Hours @ \$50 an hour  
In Kind Labor donation of \$3200

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Donnie Higgins  
187 Stagecoach Road  
Lexington, VA 24450  
(540)-817-7613  
License# 2705069048

3/2/2023

Donnie Higgins Siding and Home Remodeling company

Owner

Community Foundation for Rockbridge, Bath and Alleghany  
PO Box 20  
Lexington, VA 24450

Re: Donation Letter

Lori,

Natural Bridge Heating and Air will discount the cost of the materials and donate labor to the HOPE house renovation project.

Labor Donation \$9000

Material Discounts \$\$7000

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Donnie Shanks

DocuSigned by:  
*Donnie Shanks*  
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4/6/2023

Community Foundation for Rockbridge, Bath and Alleghany  
PO Box 20  
Lexington, VA 24450

Re: In Kind Donation Pledge Letter

Lori,

I am a certified electrician and plan to donate my time in labor to the HOPE house renovation project. I personally will donate my time for the electrical portions of the project

In Kind Labor donation of \$6,400

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Colin Richardson  
3/2/2023

No company

No company



Community Foundation for Rockbridge, Bath and Alleghany  
PO Box 20  
Lexington, VA 24450

Re: Donation Letter

Lori,

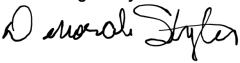
We donated our property to Rockbridge Recovery for the HOPE House project.

Property Address: 1813 Magnolia Ave Buena Vista, VA 24416

Property Value: \$72,400

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

DocuSigned by:



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Deborah Styler

3/13/2023



# 501-C3 Non-Profit Organization Donation Receipt

Date: 1-17-23

Name of Non-Profit Organization: Rockbridge Recovery

Mailing Address: 983 Stoner Hollow Rd. Natural Bridge Station, VA 24579

EIN: 88-3542033

## Donor Information

Name: Deborah + Brent Styler

Address: 2104 WALNUT AVE, Buena Vista VA 24416

## Tax Donation Receipt

Thank you for your donation with a value of 72,400.00 dollars (\$ 72,400.00), made to the above-mentioned 501C3 Non-Profit Organization.

Donation Description: 1813 MAGNOLIA AVE, Buena Vista VA 24416  
House, property, shed.

Your contribution is tax-deductible to the extent allowed by Virginia law. No goods or services were provided in exchange for your generous donation.

Donator Signature: Deborah Styler

Representative's Signature: Bobby Styler

Representative's Name: Bobby Styler

Title: Program DIR Date: 1-17-23





**ATTORNEY FOR THE COMMONWEALTH  
CITY OF BUENA VISTA**



2044 Sycamore Avenue  
Buena Vista, Virginia 24416  
Phone: (540) 261-8700  
Fax: (540) 261-5333

**Joshua O. Elrod**  
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[jelrod@bvcity.org](mailto:jelrod@bvcity.org)

**Carrie B. Chittum**  
Administrative Assistant  
[cchittum@bvcity.org](mailto:cchittum@bvcity.org)

March 3rd, 2023

Lori Turner, Executive Director  
Community Foundation for  
Rockbridge, Bath, and Alleghany

**Re: Community Foundation Grant Application**

Dear Lori:

I am writing regarding the grant application made by the Community Foundation on behalf of Rockbridge Recovery related to a proposed sober living home to be located here in Buena Vista. I want to register my support for the grant and for the project.

Substance abuse is a significant problem here in Buena Vista and much of the attention and resources devoted to criminal justice matter relate directly or indirectly to drug use. It is not uncommon for a defendant to come through the criminal justice system multiple times with problems stemming from drug use. Often part of the disposition of the case is to order a defendant to undergo drug treatment. Many litigants seek out such services while their cases are pending as well.

Although our community has some resources for treatment, those resources are stretched thin. In addition, we don't currently have a sober living facility available locally for our population. Sober living houses are often a key part of a recovery journey for individuals with the most intractable addictions. I have experienced in my own the work the effectiveness of these types of facilities in recovery. I believe having a local community based sober living house would be a significant benefit for our criminal justice system and for the community itself.

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions about my support for this program and application.

Sincerely yours,

Joshua O. Elrod



# BUENA VISTA POLICE DEPARTMENT

306 Park Avenue ♦ Buena Vista, Virginia 24416

Phone (540) 261-6174 ♦ Fax (540) 261-9505



March 31, 2023

Community Foundation for Rockbridge, Bath, and Alleghany  
Lori Turner – Executive Director  
PO Box 20  
Lexington, Virginia 24450

RE: Community Foundation Grant Application

Dear Director Turner,

Please find this letter in support of the Community Foundation and Rockbridge Recovery's initiative to establish the HOPE House project in Buena Vista, Virginia. Addiction and substance abuse are prevalent throughout our country, and Buena Vista and its surrounding areas continue to suffer from the effects of opioid abuse and addiction to other illicit substances. To date, our community has lacked enough collaborative efforts and funds for initiatives, and facilities, such as the planned HOPE House project, which work to combat the growing needs of community members related to addiction and substance abuse.

I have worked as a law enforcement officer in Buena Vista since 2010. Most of my career has been spent investigating narcotic related crimes with task forces on the local, state, and federal levels. Through the years, this experience helped my own world view related to addiction and substance abuse to evolve and develop to an understanding that our problem cannot be fixed by law enforcement efforts, or by any one initiative alone. Crime prevention techniques, proactive intervention, education, and recovery programs are all crucial programs needed to begin to break the trend of increasing numbers associated to substance abuse and addiction.

A large majority of crimes committed in Buena Vista have a nexus to drug addiction and illicit substances. Community members suffering through substance abuse make outrageous choices when chasing the need which develops from their addiction. Theft, fraud, and financial exploitation are often ways that addicts find to feed their addiction. Additionally, my department responds to domestic assaults, fights, child neglect, people in crisis and in need of

mental health evaluations, and incidents of abuse that are often attributed to an addict's frustration and/or irritability often stemming from symptoms developed during their systems' detoxification from specific substances. Subsequently, our officers are responding to an increasing number of overdose deaths. Unfortunately, addiction impacts family, friends, teachers, mentors, and so many other persons than just the addict themselves.

My community has experienced too much grief and sadness related to addiction. Now more than ever, collaboration and conceptualization to combat substance abuse and addiction are essential to ensuring that these trends do not continue. Looking at the concept for the HOPE House project, I believe it will be vital to helping its tenants continue through their recovery and to provide accessible aid and accountability to these persons as they acclimate into our communities.

Please reach out to me directly with any questions related to my department's continued support of the HOPE House project, Rockbridge Recovery, and the Community Foundation.

With Respect,



David Clements  
Acting Chief of Police  
Buena Vista Police Department





# City of Lexington

## Department of Police



540-462-3705

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March 4, 2023

Community Foundation for Rockbridge, Bath, and Alleghany  
Lori Turner- Executive Director  
PO Box 20  
Lexington, VA 24450

Dear Director Turner,

Please accept this letter of support for the HOPE house project and the Community Foundation for Rockbridge, Bath, and Alleghany. Substance abuse recovery is a lifelong journey that does not end with the completion of a detox or rehab program. To remain sober, individuals need a support system that provides constant commitment and care. Through the establishment of sober living homes, individuals will have a nurturing and judgment free environment that allows recovering addicts to combat societal triggers, which can routinely cause addiction setbacks.

As a police chief with over 20 years of law enforcement experience, the drug epidemic is a complex social illness that requires the assistance of multi-disciplinary partners to work together for a comprehensive solution. The illegal use of narcotics can be linked to many offenders who commit major crimes in our city and therefore pose a threat to public safety. It is apparent that arresting individuals will not solve the problem, but constant mental health, support and wrap around services throughout an addict's life will greatly improve their chances of a productive way of life and reduce recidivism. The drug epidemic is a public safety concern that we are committed to reduce, to protect all individuals, and increase their sense of safety in the workplaces, schools, and homes. More importantly, we want to assist citizens re-entering society with viable chances of success, which hinges on a stable home and supportive environment.

Throughout our community, police officers routinely encounter people who have substance use disorders (SUDs). Nationwide statistics have shown that adults arrested in the past year for serious offenses were four times more likely to have used illicit drugs compared to those who did not use drugs. Furthermore, it is estimated that individuals with SUDs make up 68% of the jail population and 53% of the state prison population, yet only 12% of the incarcerated population will receive drug treatment while they are in custody. This is a contributing factor to the high recidivism rate of narcotics users. These high-risk individuals are likely to continue their destructive behaviors upon their return to society, absent treatment for their disease of addiction, having a stable home environment, and provided social services.

The HOPE house project is a vital and foundational program that offers a empathetic sober living environment for those who wish to continue a healthy and productive lifestyle. I enthusiastically support the HOPE project which will provide individuals struggling with drug addiction, the basic human needs and wrap around services required to break the cycle of drug addiction. This project represents an innovative and holistic solution to reduce illicit drug use in our community, which will create a safer city and enhance the quality of life for all community members. Moreover, this project combines the wrap around services of 15 community partners dedicated to providing their expertise as a vital component to solve this wicked problem.

With regards to the capability of the Community Foundation, this organization consistently fundraises to support initiatives and lead community projects with professionalism, equity, and respect for all participants. This agency has a proven track record for their commitment to uplifting and supporting our citizens through recent initiatives that provided \$880,000 in COVID-19 pandemic funding which provided for residents' critical needs; as well as managing the Walker Program, which has raised over \$300,000 to assist minority individuals open their own businesses within our community. The Community Foundation is an integral and dedicated entity, managed by individuals with a passion for raising monies to support programs that benefit the welfare of our residents, reduce public safety concerns, and improve the overall quality of life for all individuals.

In closing, I am excited at the opportunity for the HOPE house project to become an essential partner within our welcoming community, that will assist the police department's main endeavors of providing a safer city through the prevention of crimes, reduced recidivism, and healthy lifestyle choices for our community members.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Angela M. Greene".

Angela M. Greene  
Chief of Police  
Lexington, Virginia





**Office of Marylin Evans Alexander**

April 25, 2023

Dear Ms. Lori Turner,

I am so honored to write this letter in support of the proposal for the HOPE House project with Rockbridge Recovery being submitted by the Community Foundation for Rockbridge, Bath and Alleghany in Lexington, Virginia. I consider my desire to advocate for this project as a moral obligation, a civic duty and affirmation of my values regarding empathy and tolerance for those in helpless and unfortunate situations.

The Lexington-Rockbridge Circuit Court has prosecuted at least 522 felony cases and of those, 189 or 36% included a drug charge. Those statistics do not include serious crimes where drugs may have been a factor, but not charged. For this region, the numbers are too significant to ignore in a small community.

As a 4-term member of the Lexington City Council, I am aware of the community effects of addictions, not only incarcerations, how that affects the local economy, services to support families and children, medical care, mental health care, housing opportunities, education, and training. Every facet of our lives can be potentially affected in various ways directly or indirectly by community addictions and addictive behaviors.

The affordable housing industry requires the completion of a rehabilitation program to consider housing applicants with patterns of substance abuse. In western Virginia, the opportunity for rehab has been slim to none. Although the affordable housing industry greatly limits those with a history of drug convictions, more opportunities may open for rehabbed applicants. Having worked in the management of affordable housing for the last 24 years, it is *my* hope to see the success of the Hope House, which would increase the likelihood of landlords in the business of offering homes vs. turning them away to a life of homelessness.

As a member of the Board of Directors of the Carilion Rockbridge Community Hospital, I am aware of the challenges in the medical care industry to provide the unique and intensive assistance needed in the care of substance abuse patients, finding beds for the additional care required to turn their lives around. Having a local choice would be a cost-effective option for the patient, their families and for law enforcement agencies charged with transporting them safely to facilities to receive necessary care.

Our community is making every effort to provide in-kind support but financial support, dedication, local and regional partnerships, and the collaboration of our community leaders are all crucial to the success of a service of great benefit to the Lexington-Rockbridge-Buena Vista area.

Respectfully yours

Marylin Evans Alexander

**212 N. Lewis Street, Lexington, Virginia 24450, Telephone 540-817-9330, email: [mealexander@rockbridge.net](mailto:mealexander@rockbridge.net)**



March 16, 2023

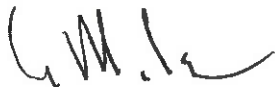
To whom it may concern:

Carilion Rockbridge Community Hospital fully supports The Hope House project that was donated by Rockbridge Recovery. This initiative is critical to providing a supportive and resourceful temporary solution for those men needing aid with sober living. Carilion Rockbridge Community Hospital continues to face drug-related emergencies that could be prevented with this type of program.

We have every confidence in the Community Foundation of Rockbridge, Bath and Alleghany (CFRBA). They have a strong history of supporting local initiatives, raising funds to support to worthy causes and serving as a catalyst for the good of the community. Having the support of CFRBA will certainly further the success of the Hope House.

We look forward to supporting The Hope House Project.

Respectfully,



Greg T. Madsen, FACHE

Vice President



April 19, 2023

Lori Turner  
Executive Director  
Community Foundation for Rockbridge, Bath, and Alleghany  
P.O. Box 20  
Lexington, VA 24450

Dear Mrs. Turner,

On behalf of our Board of Directors, I am writing this letter in support of the Community Foundation and Rockbridge Recovery's initiative to establish the HOPE House in Buena Vista, Virginia. Our community and our workforce continue to suffer from addiction and substance abuse. We are hopeful that this project is a step in the right direction to ensuring that our community has the talent and workforce needed to thrive.

Although local resources are in abundance, they are stretched thin. This project is a new and all-inclusive way to give these members of our community a hand-up, not a hand-out. The program has been well thought out - and I am impressed with the detail of your planning. The Chamber is committed to supporting the residents of Hope House and making sure they have the guidance needed to be great contributors to our workforce.

Please feel free to contact me directly with any questions related to the Chamber's support of the HOPE House project.

Sincerely,

Tracy E. Lyons,  
*Executive Director*



March 2, 2023

Community Foundation for Rockbridge, Bath and Alleghany  
Attn: Lori Turner  
PO Box 20  
Lexington, VA 24450

Dear Lori,

I am providing this letter of support to the Community Foundation's HOPE House project. This is a viable and much needed project for our area. I am honored to be able to support this effort.

As Rector of Grace Episcopal Church, representing the Vestry, Outreach Committee and Men's Fellowship at Grace. I have met Bobby several times, as have other church leaders, and I believe he has wide and strong support for his efforts to operate HOPE House, to stay the course in his own recovery, and to continually grow through education, study, and prayer.

I have full belief and support the Community Foundation for Rockbridge, Bath and Alleghany to provide a means for receiving and disbursing funds for HOPE House and providing counsel and support for Bobby as the Director of a not-for-profit organization.

There is an overwhelming need for community-based response to the mental health epidemic in this country, including sober living housing. I fully support the housing first approach that prioritizes safe permanent and affordable housing for people regardless of their other challenges and diseases. It is well documented that a person with safe, reliable housing can focus on other aspects of wellness far better than people who are homeless.

With gratitude,

Tuck Bowerfind, Rector (he)  
Grace Episcopal Church  
123 W. Washington Street  
Lexington, VA 24450  
honoring Monacan Land

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# BUENA VISTA SHERIFFS OFFICE



2039 Sycamore Avenue

Sheriff

Tel: 540-261-8615

Buena Vista, VA 24416

W.R. Hamilton

Fax: 540-261-2424

To Whom it May Concern:

The Buena Vista Sheriff's Office fully supports The HOPE House project aimed at bringing a transitional sober living home to the City of Buena Vista. As a local law enforcement agency, we recognize that there are limited resources available to the citizens in our community who are seeking recovery from substance use disorders. We believe that this project will offer a valuable benefit to our community by providing additional support and resources that will aid individuals in maintaining their sobriety and becoming healthier, more productive members of the community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Terry L. Martin".

Lieutenant Terry L. Martin

Lori Turner- Executive Director  
Community Foundation for Rockbridge, Bath & Alleghany  
PO Box 20  
Lexington, VA 24450



Dear Ms. Turner,

I am writing this letter in support of Rockbridge Recovery's HOPE House Project. As the Executive Director of Main Street Buena Vista, community health and safety play a key role in our mission.

Sober living homes provide a safe and supportive place for people in recovery to live. The benefits of a sober living home are numerous but most importantly these homes help mitigate one's risk of relapse. Sober living homes offer a safe, alcohol- and drug-free environment, "that affords people with the opportunity to continually surround themselves with other people who are pursuing the same goal of recovery and wellness. It's a place where people fit in, have common experiences and goals, and can be authentic without having to explain their addiction or recovery needs". They are a community of like-minded individuals who can relate to both the hardship and the journey.

Buena Vista is a small community and like many other communities, we are feeling and seeing the effects from the addiction/overdose crisis plaguing our country. Providing our citizens with a safe place to live, work and move through their journey to recovery is essential to who we are.

My personal experience comes from my daughter who celebrates her journey in recovery every day and is actively involved in this project. My daughter has been suffering from addiction for many years, going in and out of short-term treatment facilities and expected to come home and continue life as usual. When we finally found a recovery home that would accept her, is when we finally found success. Expecting people with addiction to come home from a detox facility and back to the everyday stresses of life is not realistic. Recovery is a lifelong journey that consists of learning, accepting, and building relationships that support and encourage a healthy and sober lifestyle. I am extremely proud of my daughter and am excited to see what the future holds for her and for our community as Rockbridge Recovery continues to grow and help those suffering with addiction.

Thank you in advance for considering this worthwhile project. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

*Brooke Dalton*

Brooke Dalton  
Executive Director  
Main Street Buena Vista  
Cell (808)780-6461



## Alleghany Highlands Community Services

March 28, 2023

Mrs. Lori Turner  
Executive Director  
Community Foundation (CFRBA)  
7 East Washington Street  
P O Box 20  
Lexington, VA 24450

Re: Sober Living Grant-Hope House Project

Dear Lori,

On behalf of Alleghany Highlands Community Services, I am pleased to provide this letter of support for a sober living home grant (Hope House Project) funded via the Opioid Abatement Authority' application process. This project will provide much needed supports to individuals who have been impacted by substance abuse within the Rockbridge, Buena Vista, and Lexington catchment areas.

Sober living homes are places where people in recovery can live for a while, typically after an inpatient treatment program. These residences have rules, which will vary from place to place, and they endeavor to offer a supportive environment for people who have begun their recovery journey but aren't yet ready to live completely independently or return back to unsafe environments. The hope is that with a period of extra support at a sober living home, residents will learn the skills to be self-sufficient and maintain sobriety on their own.

This will allow these individuals to move forward in recovery and begin their journey into the workforce. Sober living homes also support post-treatment individuals in expanding the opportunities in front of them, to become self-sufficient and support the economic, social and recovery ecosystems.

The Rockbridge, Buena Vista, and Lexington catchment areas continue to have many individuals currently or previously affected by substance abuse. This includes the use of opioids, methamphetamines, marijuana, alcohol, and other known substances. Alleghany Highlands Community Services commits to assisting with project implementation by providing referrals to the program, partnering for outreach and awareness, and providing connections to businesses for participant employment opportunities, as able.

We look forward to the implementation of this program and collaborating with the Hope House Project.

Sincerely,

Ingrid W. Barber  
Executive Director  
Alleghany Highlands Community Services

### **Administrative Services**

205 E. Hawthorne Street  
Covington, Virginia 24426  
Phone: 540-965-2135  
Fax: 540-965-6371

### **Mental Health & Substance Use Disorder Services**

311 South Monroe Avenue  
Covington, Virginia 24426  
Phone: 540-965-2100  
Fax: 540-965-2105

### **Developmental Services**

543 Church Street  
Clifton Forge, Virginia 24422  
Phone: 540-863-1620  
Fax: 540-863-1625



**Permit #:** 405

**Permit Date:** 01/17/23

**Permit  
Type:**

**Old Building  
Permit  
Number:**

**Permit  
Type:** Zoning - Verification

**Applicant  
Name:** Bobby Slagle

**Applicant  
Company:** Rockbridge Recovery

**Applicant  
Address:** 983 Stoner Hollow

**Applicant  
City, State, ZIP:** Natural Bridge Station VA 24579

**Applicant  
Phone  
Number:** (540) 728-0901

**Applicant  
Email:** rockbridgerecovery2022@gmail.com

**Description  
of Work or  
Use:** Transitional housing for substance use treatment individual

**Estimated  
Project  
Cost:** 0

**Added Bldg.  
Square  
Footage:** 0

**Zoning Code** 614.03-1.5-4 Family care homes, foster homes or group homes serving the mentally retarded  
**Reference:** developmentally disabled or others, rest homes, homes for adults, or nursing homes, provided that licensing requirements are met;

**Flood Zone:** X500 (500 Year)

**Historic  
District:** None

**Land  
Disturbance:** None

**Water/Sewer  
Description:**





**Sign Description:** Location; Dimensions; Content

**Mechanics Lien Agent:** text

**Public Works**

**Notes:**

**Public Works**

**Status:**

**Status:** Pending

**Assigned To:**

### Property

Parcel #	Address	Legal Description	Owner Name	Owner Phone	Zoning
34- 1- 2-18- 21	1813 MAGNOLIA	2-18-21 & 22	STYLER BRENT ET UX		MU Mixed Use

### Fees

Fee	Description	Notes	Amount
Zoning - Verification			\$10.00
		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$10.00</b>

### Attached Letters

Date	Letter	Description
01/17/2023		<u>Cert of Occupancy</u>

**CITY OF BUENA VISTA  
TREASURER'S OFFICE**

58745

2039 Sycamore Avenue (540) 261-8621 or 8620  
Buena Vista, VA 24416

Date 1-17-23

RECEIVED OF Rockbridge Recovery

Dollars \$ 10.00

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For Zoning Permit #405

Amount Paid \$ 10.00

**CITY OF BUENA VISTA**

**THANK YOU!**

Cash

Check

Credit

By

M L Huffman

James Allen Printing (540) 667-9232



**EIN Assistant**

Your Progress: 1. Identity ✓ 2. Authentication ✓ 3. Addresses ✓ 4. Details ✓ **5. EIN Confirmation**

**Congratulations! The EIN has been successfully assigned.**

EIN Assigned: **88-3542633**

Legal Name: **ROCKBRIDGE RECOVERY CENTER**

The confirmation letter will be mailed to the applicant. This letter will be the applicant's official IRS notice and will contain important information regarding the EIN. Allow up to 4 weeks for the letter to arrive by mail.

We strongly recommend you print this page for your records.

Click "Continue" to get additional information about using the new EIN.

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**Help Topics**

[Can the EIN be used before the confirmation letter is received?](#)

# Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority Application and Terms and Conditions for Cities and Counties to Receive OAA “Gold Standard” Incentive Funds

## 1. Contact Information

- a. Name of City or County: Lexington, Virginia  city  county
- b. Physical address: 300 E. Washington Street Lexington, VA 24450
- c. Mailing address: 300 E. Washington Street Lexington, VA 24450  
(if different than physical address)
- d. Contact Person for this application
- i. Name: Jim Halasz
- ii. Job Title: City Manager
- iii. Office Phone: 540-462-3700 Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_
- iv. Email: jhalasz@lexingtonva.gov

## 2. Agreements

The governing body of the city or county named in this application is applying to the OAA to receive the incentive that increases the city or county’s OAA Distribution by 25% for FY2023 and FY2024. To qualify for the incentive, the city or county agrees to the terms and conditions set forth for the OAA Distributions to Cities and Counties as well as the following requirements:

- a. The city or county will create and maintain separate accounting records for funds received from the OAA Distribution and from Direct Distribution in accordance with relevant guidance published by the Auditor of Public Accounts.
- b. The city or county voluntarily agrees to apply the requirements of Code of Virginia §2.2-2370 (A), to its Direct Distributions. These set of requirements are known as the “Gold Standard.”
- c. The city or county has adopted and attached a resolution noting that it will voluntarily agree to meet the OAA’s “Gold Standard” requirements in return for a 25% increase in OAA funding for FY2023 and FY2024.

**Application and Terms and Conditions for Cities and Counties  
to Receive OAA "Gold Standard" Incentive Funds**

**3. Signature**

Signature section must be completed by the person designated with signatory authority in the resolution noted in Part 2.c of this application.

*"I swear or affirm that all information contained in and attached to this application is true to the best of my knowledge."*

Signature James M. Halasz

Print Name Jim Halasz

Title City Manager

Date 5/5/23