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Family Support Advisory Council

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The Family Support Advisory Council's *Our Homestead Housing Committee* invites you to participate in:

"Creating Housing Solutions"

Reminder: This important event is coming soon!

We are a group of parents of adults with intellectual developmental disabilities (IDD)/Acquired Brain Disorders (ABD) from the greater Manchester area who provide daily care and support to our children. Our group was formed out of mutual concern about what will happen to our family members when we can no longer care for them. This is a growing concern for many families in New Hampshire.

Adequate housing options for people with IDD/ABD in our state are significantly lacking. Over the past year ABLE-NH (Advocates Building Lasting Equality) surveyed our state and learned that individuals with these disabilities are the largest group at the greatest risk of becoming homeless when their parents die or are no longer able to care for them. We need housing options and support services for this population in New Hampshire.

Our mission is to provide residential options, services and support designed to meet the needs of adults with developmental disabilities and similar disabling conditions. We are dedicated to fostering growth and

independence through vocational, social, and recreational opportunities. Our goal is to proactively facilitate the transition of this population to ensure that they are able to age in a safe, reliable, and caring home.

The clock is ticking on this urgent issue. It will affect many in the decade to come. Surrounding states have already implemented housing solutions that provide a range of supportive options for this population. Ideally, each region in New Hampshire should have a variety of housing options available to meet their needs. We have been researching best practices to identify and develop solutions. We are inviting you to share your input and assistance to address this critical need.

Please join us on May 15, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. for a meeting to discuss New Hampshire IDD housing accommodations and support needed. The meeting can be attended in person at The Moore Center located at 195 McGregor Street, 4th Floor, Manchester, NH 03102.

If you would like to attend, please RSVP to:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/our-homestead-creating-housing-solutions-tickets-878697747617>

Please share this invite with others who you believe would be interested and able to collaborate with us. By working together, we are confident that we can meet this critical need in New Hampshire!

Respectfully,

Our Homestead Housing Committee:

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