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VERMONT HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY SEEKS CUSTOMER SUCCESS STORIES

BURLINGTON—Vermont Housing Finance Agency (VHFA) is looking for VHFA home mortgage loan customers, as well as renters of VHFA-financed apartments, to join its collection of success stories.

"Now, more than ever, it's important organizations like VHFA be able to demonstrate the good results of our work," according to Executive Director Sarah Carpenter. "With government bailouts and growing national debt on everyone's minds, it's important we point out that VHFA and many of the nation's other housing finance agencies are self-sustaining. Our housing finance tools and tax credits are essential to improving stability and vibrancy in Vermont communities."

VHFA invites Vermonters who purchased their homes with VHFA home mortgage loans — and those who have lived in assisted rental units in Vermont — to write to the Agency telling how the assistance they received from VHFA changed their lives. Respondents are encouraged to include photos or video of their family and homes.

Materials can be sent to: Craig Bailey, VHFA, P.O. Box 408, Burlington, VT 05402-0408; or emailed to home@vhfa.org. High-quality digital files are preferred. Submissions will not be returned.

By submitting materials, respondents give VHFA full permission to use their name, likeness, and voice in publications and marketing efforts, and in any other manner deemed necessary by the Agency for educational, informational, and other professional purposes. Respondents will be asked to sign a legal release stating the same before their materials will be considered for VHFA's database.

VHFA is a self-sustaining, non-profit agency created in 1974 by the Vermont Legislature to finance and promote affordable housing opportunities for low- and moderate-income Vermonters. Since its inception, the Agency has helped approximately 27,000 Vermont households with affordable mortgages and financed the development of approximately 8,400 affordable rental units.