



**A Community Partnership Project**

March 28, 2018

Mr. Thomas Aspel  
City Manager  
City of Concord  
41 Green Street  
Concord, NH 03301

**Re: Crisis Center of Central New Hampshire – Building on Hope Project 5/4/18-5/20/18**

Dear Mr. Aspell,

I am writing you as co-chair of the all-volunteer group 'Building on Hope'. Since 2010, we have raised more than \$2.5M in donated labor and in-kind services from the building industry from throughout New Hampshire and have renovated four not-for-profits, building their capacity and insuring their viability as they continue to provide much needed services to those in need.


This May, we are undertaking the renovation of the project mentioned above. In doing so, we expect to have more than 30 contractors and tradespeople, as well as more than 40 volunteers daily on site over the 16-day build. We would like to request that the city help us in this effort and allow us to close Blake Street from 7am to 7pm each day to accommodate access for the contractors to the property. We would self-police and insure that a single traffic lane be maintained to allow emergency vehicles thru access. We are working with the owners of the parking lot on the corner of Warren St and they are allowing us some area to accommodate the project. We would propose to allow the residential properties at the north end of Blake Street access their property off Green Street. It would also be fantastic if we could get 10-15 parking spaces bagged on State and Green Streets for the duration of this project as well. It has been brought to our attention that a road closure needs to be approved by city council and we hope this letter will facilitate that request.

Our expectation is that Building-on-Hope will provide a renovation of the shelter in excess of a \$500k, entirely funded from volunteer donations and building on hope partnerships. We would ask that city council perhaps consider making a donation to CCCNH covering the cost of building, electrical, and plumbing permit fees to assist us in our goal with this project.

I am happy to make a presentation or to meet and explain fully what is being proposed, something just short of incredible. Feel free to give me a call if you have a question.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

  
Jonathan Halle, AIA, ASLA  
Co-Chair

  
Karen VanDerBeken  
Co-Chair