



Wards 1 & 8 Neighborhood Planning Assembly (NPA)

Agenda

November 11, 2020 6:45 - 9:00 p.m.

Zoom online meeting

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Facilitator: Hannah King Host: Phet Keomanyvanh (CEDO) Tech support: Jonathan Chapple-Sokol
Minutes: Tom Derenthal

- 6:45 Sign on to Zoom online meeting Waiting Room (See below if you have problems)
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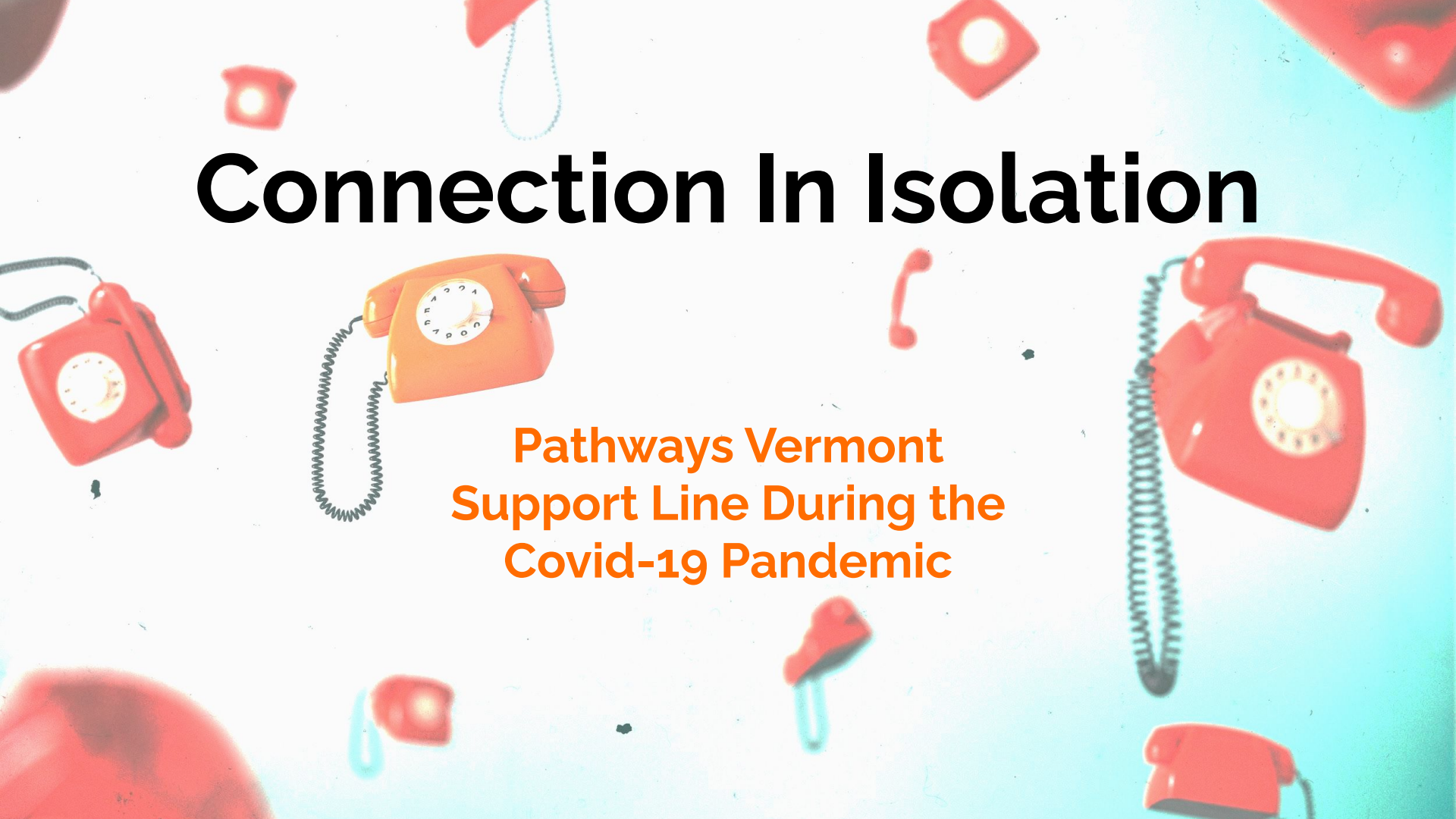
https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLjLFn4BZd2Pa3H8I30gy_gZ3NL6orXcN

NPA Steering Committee

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Connection In Isolation

Pathways Vermont
Support Line During the
Covid-19 Pandemic



WHAT IS THE SUPPORT LINE?

The Pathways Vermont Support Line is a free, confidential “warm line” for support and connection via phone and text 24/7.

A hand holding a telephone receiver, with the word "MISSION" written above it. The background is a solid orange color.

MISSION

The mission of the Pathways Vermont Support Line is to provide non-judgemental, unbiased, safe and confidential support to Vermonters who reach out.

A coiled telephone cord extending from the bottom of the receiver towards the right side of the image.

PHILOSOPHY

- The Support Line uses Intentional Peer Support model to support callers without judgement, coercion or advice giving.
- A belief in the inherently healing power of connection
- Trust in the immense capacity for growth, change and resilience that exists in each person
- Deference to the individual as the expert on themselves

DIFFERENT FROM CRISIS?

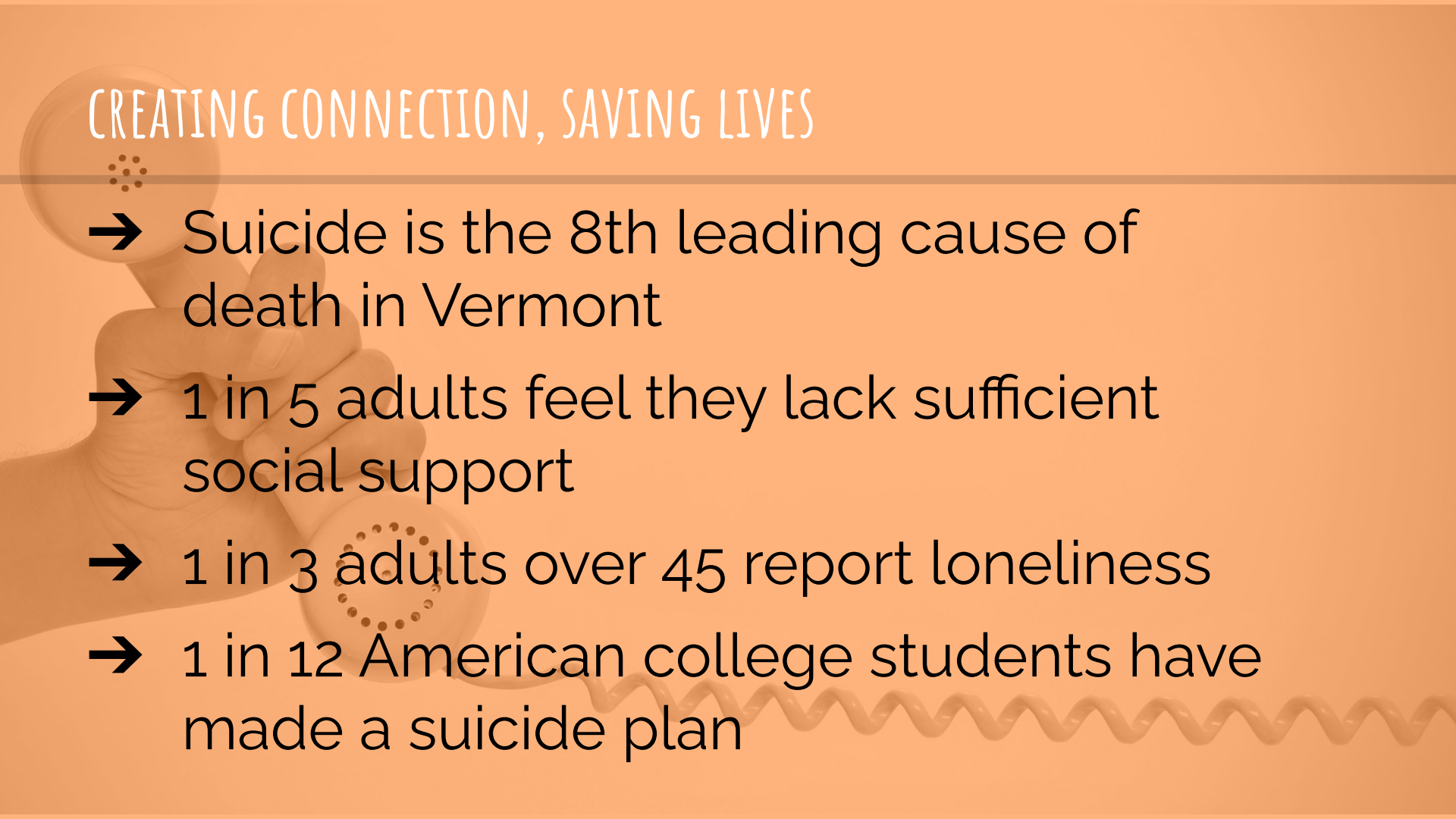
D.A. Crisis Hotlines

- Clinical support
- Provide screening for higher level services
- Offer counseling when possible

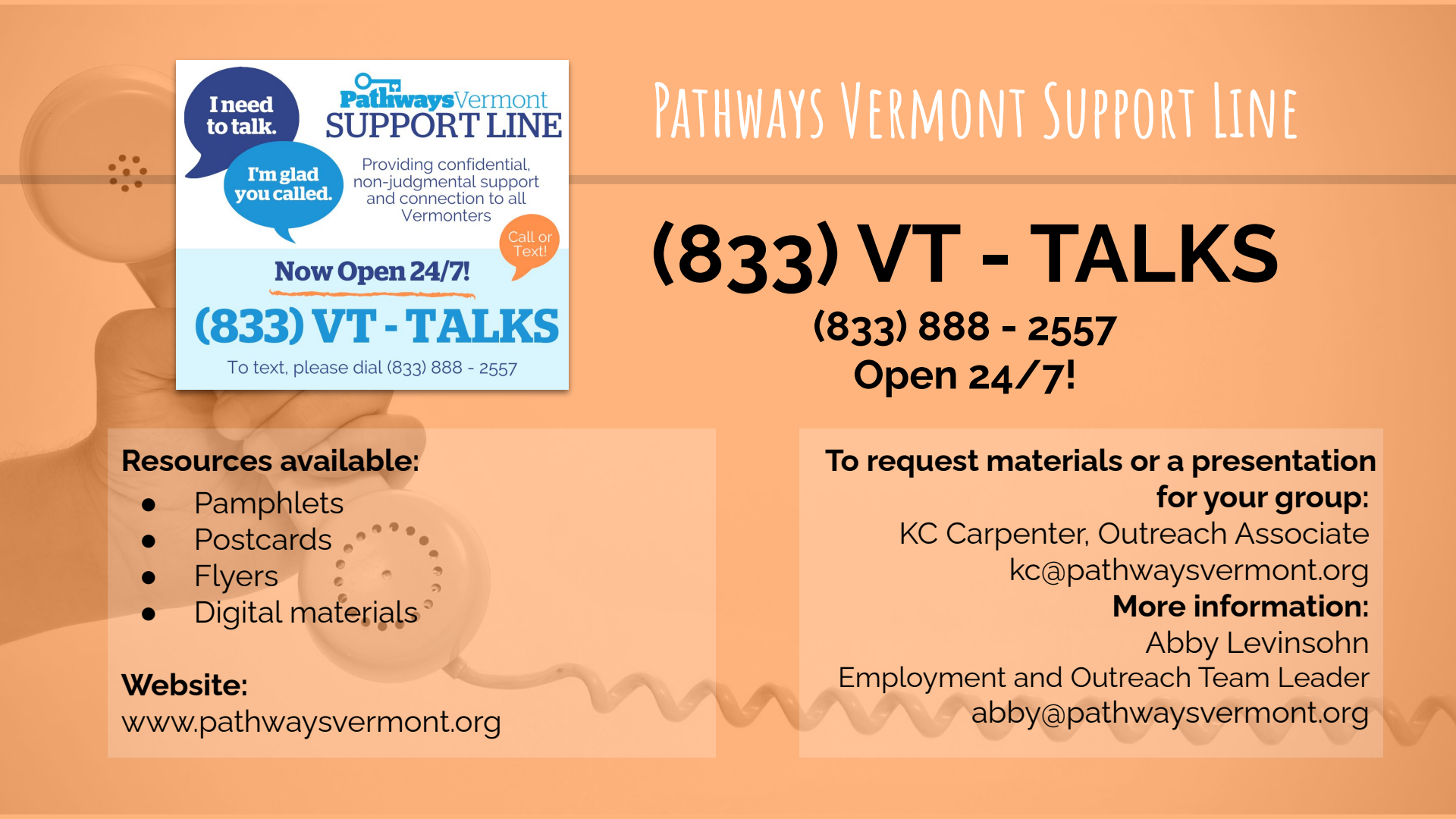
Pathways Vermont Support Line

- Peer support
- Do not screen for higher level services but can refer callers to crisis or emergency services
- Provide support and connection for any identified need

CREATING CONNECTION, SAVING LIVES



- Suicide is the 8th leading cause of death in Vermont
- 1 in 5 adults feel they lack sufficient social support
- 1 in 3 adults over 45 report loneliness
- 1 in 12 American college students have made a suicide plan



I need to talk.

I'm glad you called.

PathwaysVermont
SUPPORT LINE

Providing confidential, non-judgmental support and connection to all Vermonters

Now Open 24/7!

(833) VT - TALKS

To text, please dial (833) 888 - 2557

Call or Text!

PATHWAYS VERMONT SUPPORT LINE

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Open 24/7!

Resources available:

- Pamphlets
- Postcards
- Flyers
- Digital materials

Website:

www.pathwaysvermont.org

To request materials or a presentation for your group:

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More information:

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W18 NPA Minutes – November 11, 2020

Additional information about W18 and NPA meeting is available on our facebook page →
<https://www.facebook.com/Ward1and8NPA>

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Attendees:

Abby Levinson
Aden Haji
Carol Livingston
Caryn Long
Cynthia Cook
Dave Cawley
Erhard Mahnke
Hannah King
Jack Hanson
Jane Stromberg
Jean Hopkins
Jonathan Chapple-Sokol
Kathy Olwell
KC Carpenter
Lauren Wilson
Marcie Gallagher
Sandy Wynne
Serrill
Sophie Quest
Tom Derenthal
Zoraya Hightower

Meeting Start Time: 7:00 PM

Announcements:

- Hannah King - Request made for topics and issues to be addressed in future NPA meetings
- Carol Livingston – Appreciation expressed for NPA funding of the voting project

- Sophie Quest – Announced the Old East End Winter Carnival on Feb 27th, 2021
- Jack Hanson – Announced he is running for a 2nd term as East District city councilor.
- Jared Wood [via Jonathan] – expressed concern about increasing covid cases and a need for community focus.
- A Joint Institutional Parking Plan meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, Nov 17. Location was not provided. See info here → <https://www.burlingtonvt.gov/sites/default/files/Agendas/SupportingDocuments/20201110%20minutes%20draft%20for%20approval.pdf>
- NPA – The NPA is looking for a volunteer to bring meeting summaries from the DRB to NPA.

City Council Update:

Jane Stromberg

- Charter Change committee – Police oversight model work is proceeding.
- Charter Change committee – Just cause eviction work is proceeding

Jack Hanson

- Ordinance committee – Residential parking policy for landlords and tenants is in development
- Ordinance committee – New building fossil fuel ban is in development
- Is concerned about the UVM transportation demand management plan. See this for more information → <https://www.uvm.edu/transportation>

Zoraya Hightower

- Reparations – Selected a consultant to advise city council
- Police and altercations??
- Polling places – Some locations lack robust wheelchair access
- City Place – Developer is responding to the City's lawsuit

Racial Justice Alliance Operation Phoenix R.I.S.E: Mark Hughes

- Mark Hughes presented Operation Phoenix and RISE, describing an overview along with accomplishments to date and actions in progress. More on both fronts can be found here → <https://vtracialjusticealliance.wordpress.com/2020/06/12/operation-phoenix/>

BSDVT - PCB testing in city schools: Commissioners Aden Haji & Kathy Olwell

- Aden Haji presented options facing the school board. BSD is moving forward with extended PCB testing in BHS structures to better understand what remediation is necessary. Testing will take weeks to months. In the meantime, in person classes for the Tech Center are being moved to private alternate space, e.g. Aeronautics will be at the airport, criminal justice at the police station. Classroom trailers and the old Macy's building are being considered as alternates for BHS in person classes. An in depth description can be found here → <https://www.bsdt.org/2020/11/10/bhs-btc-update-november-10/>

Pathways Vermont [PV] - KC Carpenter and Abby Levinsohn

- A presentation described the PV phone hotline. The Vermont Support line is a free, confidential resource for all Vermonters over the age of 18 who are looking for someone to talk to. The Support Line is staffed by individuals who acknowledge that they have experienced a broad range of struggles of their own and are willing to be open about them.
- The PV program page is here → <https://www.pathwaysvermont.org/what-we-do/our-programs/>

Just Cause Eviction [for Landlords & Tenants] - Zoraya Hightower

- Zoraya Hightower described a remedy for tenants forced to leave apartments for no cause. The proposed language is below. The change, if approved by City Council, appear on the Town Meeting day ballot in March 2021.

“Shall the Charter of the City of Burlington, Acts of 1949, No. 298 as amended, be further amended by adopting and adding a new section 48(66) to read as follows: ‘To provide by ordinance protections for residential tenants from eviction without “just cause,” where just cause may include, but is not limited to (a) a material breach of a written rental agreement, (b) violation of state statutes regulating tenant obligations in residential rental agreements, (c) non-payment of rent while just cause may exclude (a) expiration of rental agreements (b) personal disagreements. The ordinance may also set a maximum rent increase with the purpose of preventing de facto evictions. The ordinance may require that landlords provide notice of just cause and other legal requirements as part of the rental agreement;’” and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council directs the Charter Change Committee to report back to the City Council ~~at its August 24, 2020~~ **no later than its December 7, 2020** meeting so that the question can be considered in time to be warned for public hearing ~~for the November special election~~ **for the March 2021 Annual Meeting.**

More information on Just Cause Eviction can be found here →

<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1DbdX5N6J2MKo1g6VsDFdrio0ei8-mZ3IS8jO5bNj3Y0/edit?usp=sharing>

<https://www.burlingtonvt.gov/sites/default/files/Agendas/FINAL%20Just%20Cause%20Eviction%20Burlington%20Memo.pdf>

Meeting End Time: 9:00 PM

Minutes written by Tom Derenthal