

United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development Vermont/New Hampshire

May 16, 2011

Liz Chechile
Executive Director
Care Net Pregnancy Center of Windham County
200 Clark Ave
Brattleboro, VT 05301

Re

Eligibility of Care Net for the USDA Rural Development Community Facilities

Program

Dear Ms. Chechile:

USDA Rural Development has reviewed your organizational documents for eligibility under our Community Facilities loan and Grant program. The review for eligibility to offer financial assistance did not obtain approval by our Office of General Council.

Based on the US Attorney's research and concurrence by our National Office US Attorneys, Care Net Pregnancy Center of Windham County was not found eligible to participate in the Community Facility Program. The Faith-Based Eligibility Factors could not be met, based on Constitutional issues with potential excessive government entanglement with religion.

If you believe our decision is incorrect or the facts used in this case are in error, you may pursue your rights to have our decision reviewed. Please see the attachment for your rights.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely.

Andrea C. Ansevin-Allen

Community Programs Specialist

cc:

State Office