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Dear Friends,

"I want to share with you the immense gratitude that I have for JUMP. The support you offered me and my family, on a physical, personal, and financial level, not only helped me to gain employment, but also allowed me to put my life back in order."
- Carol, JUMP service recipient

The pandemic is impacting everyone, but none more than our low-income neighbors. Many are experiencing new financial challenges as employment is uncertain and children are home more. Low-income Vermont households need the help that JUMP provides with utility payments, transportation, and support to purchase essentials like groceries, toiletries, and cleaning supplies. JUMP needs your support of this vital mission.

**You are invited to participate in the September 26:
(virtual) Run – or Walk - for JUMP!**

JUMP is holding our annual **Run – or Walk - for JUMP** on Saturday September 26 as a virtual event, inviting runners and walkers – adults and youth - to support JUMP by registering for the event, seeking donations from family, friends and neighbors - and then running or walking a route of your choice.

How to help JUMP:

- **Register for the virtual "Run or Walk for JUMP" online at:**
 - <https://secure.frontstream.com/virtual-run-2020> or <http://www.jumpvt.org/>
 - The Frontstream site is secure and easy to use for fund raising online. It includes an invitation to take part in a 20 minute "Town Meeting with JUMP Director Wanda Hines" on Zoom on September 16 at 7pm or September 17 at noon; a great opportunity to learn more about JUMP.
- **OR - Register with the enclosed mail in registration form**
- **OR - Make a donation NOW in support of JUMP online OR using the enclosed envelope.**
- **& - Follow JUMP on social media:** Facebook: JUMPVT **Instagram:** JumpVermont **Twitter:** JumpVermont

See reverse side for complete event details – includes registration gift and award information!

Why support JUMP now? In March, JUMP adapted immediately and has not skipped a beat, assisting our most vulnerable Vermont neighbors throughout the pandemic: Our leadership team quickly made changes to the way JUMP provides services moving the application and communication process online and establishing *JUMP's FLEX Assistance Program*. We are working collaboratively with community partners to assist those without internet access, or experience with technology, with needed support in applying for services. To maintain communication with clients, JUMP is staying in touch, reaching out with our new *Quarterly Call Program*, offering a compassionate point of contact checking in about needs and the well-being of each household. The result is that JUMP is assisting many households – including many for the first time.

Thank you for assisting people in need in our community with much needed services through JUMP – together we can make a difference! Please be in touch with any questions or for more information.

With gratitude,

Wanda Hines

Ron Pynn



Wanda Hines, Jump Director

Ron Pynn, JUMP Board President