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Members of the House Municipal and County Government Committee
New Hampshire House of Representatives

Re: Opposition to HB 1649

Dear Committee Members,

On behalf of the Grafton County Senior Citizens Council (GCSCC), I'm writing to express opposition to HB 1649, which would prohibit tax dollars from being donated to non-profit organizations.

This bill would have a negative impact on the older adults and adults with disabilities that receive essential services from GCSCC and other non-profit organizations throughout the state. GCSCC annually provides 212,000 meals (Meals on Wheels as well as congregate meals); 20,000 bus rides to essential destinations such as grocery stores and medical appointments; 7,000 visits with outreach workers and the Aging and Disability Resource Center; as well as activities, wellness calls, volunteer opportunities, and much more.

GCSCC's collaboration with the towns of Grafton County is an example of a partnership model that ensures the towns are caring for their residents through the work of non-profit organizations. It is a partnership that works and is cost-effective for the towns.

Without town appropriations, GCSCC would struggle to continue to provide the much-needed services described above. HB 1649 would be harmful for the most vulnerable people living in our communities. I urge you to recommend that HB 1649 be deemed inexpedient to legislate.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Vasconcelos
Executive Director

Supporting Aging in Community