

- Heating assistance provided to over 11,000 Vermonters would be much reduced, due to the loss of dollars to fund staff time and the funding for fuel assistance (this does not include the direct cuts to the LIHEAP funding). \*

#### *BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL COACHING*

- Over 1,000 Vermont households needing tax preparation assistance would lose access to this help, potentially resulting in the loss of close to \$2 million in refunds that would not return to the local economy. \*
- Business coaching and job counseling for more than 1,000 entrepreneurs would be unavailable, resulting in fewer business starts and potential jobs lost. \*

#### *OVERALL*

- Hundreds of non-profit staff who work with Vermont's low-income community will lose their jobs or will face reduced hours. \*
- Vermont will lose \$5.7 million in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds that it could have used for a wide range of community development projects.

\* These programs are funded specifically through the Community Services Block Grant, with money that is then leveraged 10:1 within the local community.

This is not intended to be a comprehensive list of impacts in Vermont; it does not include impacts on WIC, Planned Parenthood, and many other programs cut through in this proposed budget. Rather, it is intended to give a broad look at the kinds of Vermonters who will be affected.

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