

| Healthy Communities VT Network | |
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| Springfield District Issues Identified | Springfield |
| Are there resources to physically and financially help people with removal? | |
| Breaking cycle (moving as only fix) | |
| Clarity re: legal responsibility/tenant & landlord re: bed bugs | X |
| Clarity re: roles/procedures for schools, etc. re: bed bugs | X |
| Culture of "more"/accumulation via QVC, etc. | |
| Denial of services b/c of level of bed bug infestation | |
| Do we have a statewide hoarding task force? Should we? | |
| Don't know where to go/referrals | |
| Economics/Cost - tenants/landlords (costs \$2-3K to clean out one BDR apt) | |
| Education/outreach (reduce stigma) | |
| Fear | |
| Fleas | |
| Healthcare | |
| Hotels/Basic Resources - what do they do to inspect/prevent | |
| Housing | |
| How do we resolve denial there is a problem? (Hoarding) E.g. solutions can be mandated re: removal of personal effects, but it will be reaccumulated | |
| Lack of funding | |
| Lack of stakeholder coordination: landlords/managers, fire safety, town health officers, Dept of Mental Health, family members, etc. | |
| Lack of therapeutic/mental health options (hoarding similar to eating disorders); work takes time/build relationships | |
| Lack of/inconsistent resources/time/classes/experts/physical help | |
| Landlords | |
| Legality - ability to help, enforcement | |
| More data re: local numbers re: hoarding - how do we know what this looks like in our communities? | X |
| No collective group in area | |
| No David or Kate (hoarding experts) in our community - how are they funded? | |
| Oversight/Accountability/Enforcement re: bed bugs; Town Health Officer - currently not considered a major code violation; can this be changed? Enforcement mechanisms not effective, i.e. fines, court orders, eviction | X |
| PHO cannot help with privately-owned home | |
| Prevention/Early Intervention | |
| Re-use of furniture/recycle/need to treat items (LISTEN, SEVCA, COVER, Rent-A-Center) | |
| Risk of children being removed from parents | |
| Risk of losing housing/Section 8 | |
| Self-spraying pesticides/health | |
| Stigma/Case Info Sharing/Right to Know | X |
| Storage lockers | |
| Transportation | |