



Family Supportive Housing

~ State Fiscal Year 2021 Awards Summary ~

The Family Supportive Housing (FSH) program aims to reduce the incidence and duration of family homelessness in Vermont by supporting families with minor children who are homeless to identify and maintain affordable housing through intensive, home-based case management and service coordination. Family Supportive Housing service providers partner with landlords to provide access to housing for families experiencing homelessness. Service coordinators address the root causes which led to the family becoming homeless; encourage positive, non-judgmental, trauma-informed communication and engagement; promote resiliency in parents and children; increase financial empowerment; and help the family remain stably housed over the long-term.

In state fiscal year 2014, the Agency of Human Services (AHS) launched the Family Supportive Housing Program in three initial AHS Districts: Rutland, Burlington and Brattleboro. In subsequent years, the program was expanded to include the St. Johnsbury, Hartford, Bennington and Barre AHS districts. In state fiscal year 2021, AHS will expand the program to the Springfield, Newport and St. Albans AHS Districts as well as increase capacity in the Barre, Bennington, Burlington, Rutland and St. Johnsbury AHS Districts. The SFY21 expansion will increase statewide capacity of the program to serve an additional 110 families statewide. Family Supportive Housing is a key component of the State of Vermont's COVID-19 housing recovery plan as it will help families experiencing homelessness exit motels and access affordable housing.

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Service Providers

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Committee on Temporary Shelter/Howard Center 2 Service Coordinators	Burlington District
Family Center of Washington County 3 Service Coordinators	Barre District
Homeless Prevention Center 3 Service Coordinators	Rutland District
Northeast Kingdom Community Action 2 Service Coordinators	St. Johnsbury and Newport Districts
Northwest Counseling & Support Services 2 Service Coordinators	St. Albans District
Springfield Area Parent Child Center 1 Service Coordinator	Springfield District
Sunrise Family Resource Center 2 Service Coordinators	Bennington District
Upper Valley Haven 2 Service Coordinators	Hartford District
Winston Prouty Center 2 Service Coordinators	Brattleboro District

Family Supportive Housing is administered by the Office of Economic Opportunity, Department for Children and Families.