

Lund at a Glance and FY13 Results

Lund helps families break cycles of abuse, poverty and addiction. With over 120 years of service to Vermont's children and families, Lund helps children thrive through nationally acclaimed programs supported by enduring public-private partnerships.



Lund's community services are integrated and family-centered. Young pregnant and parenting women and their families frequently benefit from more than one service across programming areas at Lund.

To help Vermont's children and families thrive, Lund:

1. Finds permanent homes for children who need a family through adoption;
2. Provides comprehensive, gender-specific residential and outpatient treatment to families affected by substance abuse disorders and mental health issues;
3. Stimulates crucial early brain development and school readiness in children through quality early education and care;
4. Empowers young mothers to provide for their families through education and job training, and by developing life skills and social connections;
5. Increase parents' capacity to provide for their children's basic and developmental needs through family support services and parenting education that foster social and emotional competence, enhance parental resilience and promote healthy parent-child relationships.

During our recently completed Fiscal Year 2013 (July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2013), Lund programs and services benefited **4,839 Vermonters from over 1,500 families** statewide in the following ways:

<p>Adoption</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 188 children adopted into permanent homes, 170 of whom were children in state custody living in foster care or residential environments. • Lund found homes for 75% of our Project Family caseload during the year. 64% of these adoptions were finalized in under 24 months from when the child enters state custody. The average age of children entering state custody is 4.5 years. • 18 infants were adopted into permanent families. Lund also provided options counseling to 24 birth mothers and conducted 86 homes studies. • 558 individuals benefited from lifelong post-permanence services statewide. • 1,121 individuals benefited from Lund’s Search and Reunion services. • Adoption services were provided to a total of 2,034 individuals in over 500 families in all Vermont counties.
<p>Treatment</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 80 mothers and 93 children engaged in gender-specific, family-centered substance abuse and mental health treatment in Lund’s Residential Treatment Program; additionally 136 mothers and family members benefited from substance abuse and mental health treatment in the community. • 100% of babies born at Lund were free of illicit substances, and 94% were of normal gestation period and birth weight.
<p>Education</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 59 children enjoyed high quality early education and care: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 81% live in poverty and are at risk of abuse, neglect and school failure; ○ 61% live in single, female-headed families; ○ 10% live in English language learner families. • 32 pregnant and parenting teens and young women in grades 8-12 benefited from our New Horizon’s high school program: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 4 culminated their high school careers, receiving their High School Diploma; ○ 6 lower grade level mothers transitioned successfully back to their community and sending school; ○ 93% of the young mothers made academic progress during the year.
<p>Family Support</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 277 parents raising 348 children in living in poverty received Reach Up Case Management and financial assistance, seeking to increase their self-sufficiency through work placement, vocational training and education. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 108 parents attained paid employment during the fiscal year; ○ 117 engaged in workforce development; ○ 72 engaged in education programs. • 141 families / 380 individuals benefited from family education and parenting skill development in their home and in Lund’s residential facility. • 12 mothers and their 13 children benefited from transitional housing and programming seeking to prepare families for independent living and build their self-sufficiency. • 171 incarcerated mothers received parenting support services; 164 children of incarcerated women and their 116 caretakers in the community received case management ensuring their connection to resources and services. • 848 individuals were educated on teen pregnancy and the importance of prevention in 24 schools and community organizations.