

WASHINGTON COUNTY YOUTH SERVICE BUREAU/ BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

2013 Annual *report*

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Recently, Vermont Life published an article challenging the notion that young people are leaving Vermont. Behind this notion are fears that Vermont is not only losing revenue needed to care for our aging population, but perhaps that we were losing our relevance as well. The article offered some refreshing challenges to this fear by providing numerous examples of young people who were coming in to the state, or choosing to stay here because Vermont offers a high quality of life and growing opportunities for small scale entrepreneurs.

This poses an important public discussion for Vermonters to have. How are we creating communities in which youth matter? This question drives every aspect of the WCYSB's work. We ask that question as we develop teen center programming that links youth and community through new avenues of belonging; we ask it as we find new ways to improve youth work through our statewide program development efforts; and we ask it every time we help a youth

discover new ways to achieve success.

This is the message that underlies everything we do. "You Matter," is a message that we convey to youth as they work to identify their place in our communities. With the addition of just three letters, "Youth Matters," the message now speaks to communities accepting the challenge of becoming more vibrant and relevant to Vermont's emerging citizens.

YOU(th) Matter(s)

Kreig Pinkham
Executive Director



"So when I think of the Basement, I don't think of a club. I think of the way the staff encouraged me to have a voice, I think of how much the space and myself have grown over the years, and more importantly, I see a community full of people constantly looking after each other."

Tomas Rogel

Our Mission

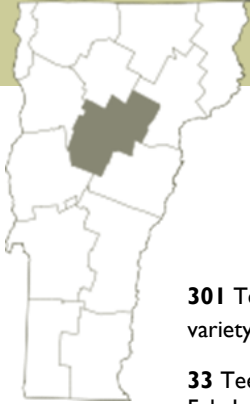
The Washington County Youth Service Bureau/Boys & Girls Club is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Our mission is to provide a wide range of innovative and effective programs that empower and enrich the lives of youth and families in Washington County, and to provide leadership and support to other youth programs throughout Vermont.

The Bureau has assisted young people and families since 1974. Our work is supported by private, local, state and federal grants, Medicaid and other insurance, donations and fundraising activities. Most of our services are free. For those requiring payment, we accept some private insurances. No one is turned away for inability to pay.

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Services Delivered in Washington County

The Bureau's direct service programs provide critical supports to youth and families in Washington County. For a full description of each program, please visit our website at www.wcysb.org.

Prevention Programs served 456 youths last year:

301 Teens attended the **Basement Teen Center** in Montpelier which offers regular, supervised drop-in time, a variety of positive enrichment activities, and opportunities for youth leadership

33 Teens attended the **Northfield Teen Center** in Northfield (under the new leadership of the WCYSB starting Feb 1, 2013). NTC offers supervised drop-in time, a variety of positive enrichment activities, and opportunities for youth leadership

122 Youth participated in the **Cityscape Afterschool Program's** final year at Barre City Elementary School, offering academic enrichment, prevention, and physical fitness activities



Support Programs served 749 individuals last year:

98 Youth were served in the **Transitional Living Program**, which provides housing support for 16-21 year olds. **1760** nights of direct housing supports were provided

61 Youth received pregnancy and parenting support services through the **Teen Parent Program**. **66** additional youth received education and information through participation in teen panel presentations

13 Young men received housing and life skills services through **Return House**, a transitional housing program for young male offenders

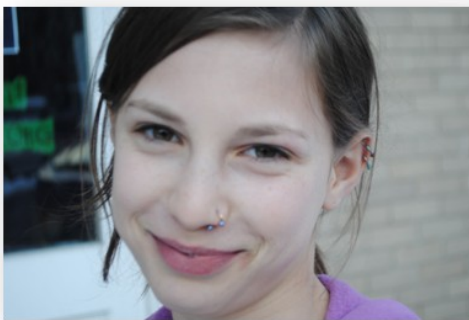
241 Individuals attended the 40th **Annual Free Community Thanksgiving Dinner** at the Bethany Church in Montpelier with **270** individuals receiving a hot, home delivered meal

Counseling Programs served 298 young people and families last year:

131 Youth and their families were served by the **Country Roads Program** providing crisis intervention, individual and family counseling, and emergency temporary shelter for youth. **201** nights of emergency housing supports were provided

167 Youth received support through the **Healthy Youth Program**. HYP provides substance abuse education, intervention, assessments, treatment and positive life skills coaching. Support is also available for families

A Call to Action



High quality service delivery cannot exist without the generous support of our surrounding community. Community support allows us to respond to unique service needs for clients where state or federal funds cannot be applied. No gift is too small to make a significant difference for those we serve. Consider your ability to invest in your community by investing in youth services. You may do so by:

- Donating money
- Donating goods
- Volunteering in our office, on a committee or with one of our programs
- Serving as a Shelter Parent
- Serving as a Board Member

Please visit our website to learn more about these opportunities at www.wcysb.org

Services Delivered Statewide



The Bureau's statewide programs provide leadership, support, resources, and technical assistance to other youth serving programs throughout VT. Detailed overviews of each program can be found at www.wcysb.org.

VT Coalition of Runaway and Homeless Youth Programs (VCRHYP) served 784 youth

VCRHYP creates a safety net for runaway, homeless and other youth in distress through a network of programs that reach across the state, ensuring that young people from Brattleboro to Newport have a place to go when they have no where else to turn.

404 youth were provided with Runaway and Family Stabilization

380 youth received vocational and transitional housing support through Transitional Living Programs

95% of youth receiving VCRHYP services exited to a safe living situation



Vermont Youth Development Corps AmeriCorps State Program (VYDC) served 4,558 youth

The Vermont Youth Development Corps AmeriCorps State Program (VYDC) is a statewide national service program whose members serve at innovative, youth-focused organizations that address critical community issues. VYDC builds community support for prevention and intervention programs that help youth thrive and ultimately become healthy, engaged citizens. Through their efforts, members help communities embrace and value targeted, results-driven investment in youth initiatives.

A sample of activities that VYDC members planned, implemented, supported or created include :

506 single-day and multi-day programs

207 Healthy Futures Programs (nutrition, physical activity, anti-bullying, environmental)

96 School and Workplace Readiness Programs (homework help, job skills, internships, mentoring)

28 Service Learning Opportunities (community service projects, community events)

Vermont Youth Tomorrow A*VISTA Program (VYT) served 7,966 youth

(VYT) is an anti-poverty, national service program which supports approximately 30 A*VISTA members serving at community-based organizations, schools, and municipalities throughout Vermont. VYT members build organizational capacity through the development of innovative and effective youth programs that build skills and resiliency necessary to avoid decisions that perpetuate unhealthy lifestyles, delinquency, and poverty. Highlights of last year's VYT service includes:

Procurement of **\$557,432** in **cash and in-kind** donations for programs that support low-income youth and families

Recruitment and/or management of **1,664** community **volunteers**, mentors, and tutors

Creation of **40 job training** programs and activities benefiting **1,506** individuals

Development and implementation of **115 feeding programs** or initiatives that provided healthy meals for **1,010** individuals

Youth Development Program (YDP)

The Youth Development Program funded by the Department for Children and Families was brought under Bureau leadership this year. YDP assists current and former foster youth with employment, education or training opportunities, housing assistance, access to healthcare and permanent connections to caring adults in their communities. This year YDP focused efforts on developing and implementing a system for measuring outcomes related to how well foster youth are navigating the pathway to successful adulthood as they leave care, as well as providing training and technical assistance for youth workers.

Financial Position

REVENUES

Federal Grants	\$2,177,001
Medicaid Payments	\$2,384,418
State Grants	\$1,144,018
VISTA Cost Sharing	\$175,502
Other: donations, fundraising	\$44,161
Private Foundations	\$18,900
City/Town Grants	\$31,980
Total	\$5,975,980

EXPENSES

Sub-grant Contracts	\$3,805,724
Payroll and Benefits	\$1,348,285
Operating Expenses	\$274,087
Fringe Benefits	\$206,506
Programming/Materials	\$121,260
Statewide Conferences	\$93,647
Contractual	\$38,514
Staff Training	\$43,416
Travel	\$25,258
Total	\$5,956,697

FINANCIAL POSITION

Assets Total	\$419,112
Cash in bank	\$418,462
Other	\$650
Liabilities	\$0
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$419,112
Equity	\$0
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$0

Individual Giving

\$500—\$5,000

Chris & Carl Pinkham

\$200—\$499

Nicole Bachand
Judy and Larry Brassard
Kreig Pinkham
Carol Anne Vasser

\$100—\$199

Anonymous
Ginger Bartlett
David and Sandra Batchelder
Robert & Harriet Buchicchio
Ernie Engelhart
John & Jackie Fricke
Kerri Hoffman
Rev. Ralph Howe
John Madden
Patrick Madden
Stacy Jolles and Nina Rachel Beck Trust
John and Patti Reid
Merry Kay Shernock

\$25—\$99

Ben and Ann Boshier
Deborah Caruso
William T. Doyle
Jackie and John Fricke
Howard & Daisy Friedman
Jay Hooper
Tom & Suzanne Howard
Bert Klavens
Jim Libby
Greg Matses
Irene Nightengale Nettler
Doreen Potter
Susan Ritz
Susan Roop
Calvin Smith

The Bureau prepares its financial statements on a cash basis method of accounting which is audited annually. The \$19,283 difference between revenues and expenses represents revenue earned through grant activities that had not been distributed by the end of the year. This earned revenue is typically distributed through subcontracts by August and does not represent revenue useable by the WCYSB.



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BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

