

VCRHYP

VERMONT COALITION

of Runaway & Homeless Youth Programs

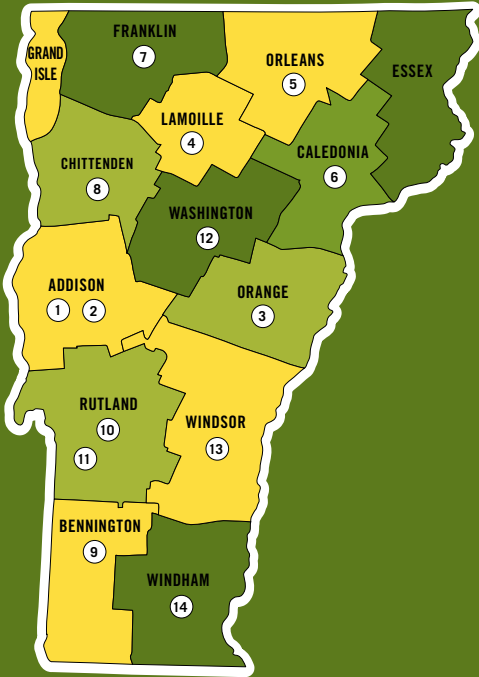
ANNUAL REPORT

FY2015



VCRHYP : THE COALITION

VCRHYP creates a safety net for runaway, homeless and disconnected youth 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 nowhere else to turn.



1. Addison County Parent Child Center, MIDDLEBURY
2. Counseling Service of Addison County, MIDDLEBURY
3. Clara Martin Center, RANDOLPH
4. Lamoille Family Center, MORRISVILLE
5. Northeast Kingdom Community Action, NEWPORT
6. Northeast Kingdom Youth Services, ST. JOHNSBURY
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10. Vermont Achievement Center, RUTLAND
11. Rutland County Parent Child Center, RUTLAND
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13. Windsor County Youth Services, LUDLOW
14. Youth Services, Inc., BRATTLEBORO



MEASURABLE OUTCOMES, SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

In FY15, VCRHYP agencies served 648 Vermont youth.

19,411

nights of shelter, food, counseling, and supports were provided.



92%

of youth receiving services from VCRHYP agencies exited to a safe living situation.



Our programs delivered these services in an effective and efficient manner that helped the State of Vermont's balance sheet as well.



\$8,392

The average cost to Vermont for a youth in foster care is approximately \$8,392 per year.

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\$28,457

The average cost to Vermont for a youth in juvenile detention is \$28,457 per year.



Without VCRHYP programs, hundreds of Vermont youth would have ended up on the street, in foster care, or in juvenile detention – at an increased cost to the State of Vermont.

\$4,455

In contrast, the average cost to the State of Vermont for a youth served through VCRHYP programs is \$4,455 per year.

The bottom line ... in addition to doing right for our youth, VCRHYP programs save Vermont money.

537 youth were diverted from a course leading to child welfare or juvenile justice systems care.

As a result, in FY15 VCRHYP saved the State of Vermont more than

\$2,100,000

BUILDING THE RESILIENCY OF VERMONT YOUTH

Coalition programs work with youth from a strengths-based perspective. Our practice model asserts that the more protective factors a youth possess, the less likely they are to engage in high risk behaviors, and the greater the probability they will successfully transition to adulthood as self-sufficient members of the community.

We demonstrate this commitment by measuring protective factors related to each youth's sense of Safety, Well-Being, Self-Sufficiency, and Permanent Connections. This innovative approach for measuring outcomes in terms of strengths, rather than deficits, helps youth build the skills and resiliency they need for a brighter future.

Results from FY15 demonstrate that youth leave our programs stronger and better prepared for long-term success.



SAFETY

A sense of physical, emotional and mental safety ensures youth feel supported and protected from violence, abuse, harassment, and fear.

90% of youth exiting our programs went to a safe place and 87% reported feeling safe in their community and interpersonal relationships.



WELL-BEING

Stable living arrangements, enriching educational experiences, access to healthcare, mental health stability, and social connections contribute to a youth's ability to care for themselves, and promote the attainment of independent living skills.

96% of youth left our programs with medical insurance, 89% were connected to a primary care physician, 72% were connected to dental care, and 85% were engaged in healthy activities on a regular basis.



SELF-SUFFICIENCY

Basic life skills are essential for youth to successfully transition into adulthood.

75% of youth left our programs with the assets and skills needed to live independently, support and take care of themselves, get & stay employed, access community resources, manage their finances, and plan for the future.



PERMANENT CONNECTIONS

Youth that have solid, healthy relationships with friends, family (biological or not), mentors and other significant people to whom they can turn in good times and bad are more likely to meet challenges and find long-term success.

80% of youth exiting our programs possessed healthy relationships with adults and peers that they can rely on for support.



VCRHYP SERVICES FOR VERMONT YOUTH & THEIR FAMILIES

VCRHYP agencies help disconnected youth get back on their feet, and provide the supports they need to stay there.

RUNAWAY & FAMILY STABILIZATION

This service helps stabilize families in crisis in order to prevent youth from running away from home, or help those who already have. The goal of this program is to resolve crisis, reunify families, and connect them with aftercare supports. Youth are provided with 24-hour access to safe, temporary shelter, basic life needs, and a commitment to work with the youth and their families through counseling, mediation and supportive services.



In FY15, 348 youth participated in this program and 58% were reunified with their family.

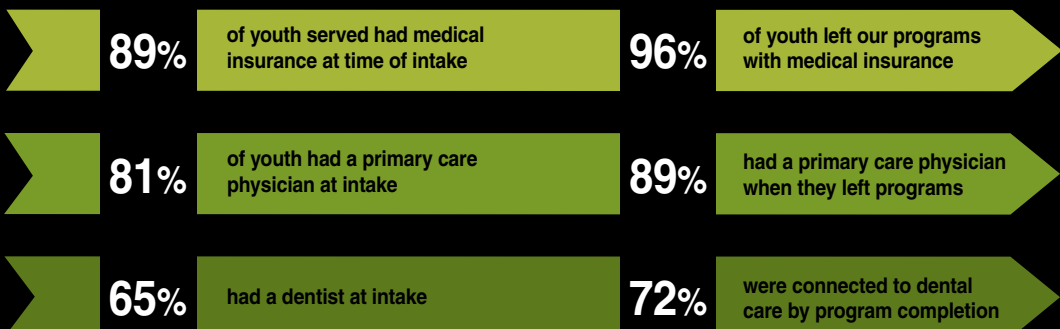
TRANSITIONAL LIVING PROGRAM

This program helps youth ages 16 to 22 that are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless make the difficult transition into adulthood by helping them re-engage with education, increase employability, and build vital life skills. Youth participating in this program receive housing supports while attending school or working, and they work with a case manager who helps them achieve sustainable self-sufficiency.



In FY15, 300 youth participated in VCRHYP transitional living programs. 83% secured safe & stable housing, and more than 62% accomplished their educational or vocational goals.

Our youth care workers played an instrumental role in helping youth connect with a medical home. In FY15:



FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2015

TOTAL FUNDING: **\$2,926,300**

Medicaid reimbursements for Global Commitment to Healthcare	\$2,252,800
Federal Grant for Transitional Living Programs	\$400,000
Federal Grant for Runaway & Homeless Youth Programs	\$200,000
Vermont OEO Emergency Shelter Grant	\$22,000
Vermont Community Foundation	\$12,000
Federal Grant for Pregnancy Prevention	\$39,500

TOTAL EXPENDITURES: **\$2,926,300**

Safe Housing & Crisis Intervention Services	\$1,246,531
Transitional Living Programs	\$1,285,352
Pregnancy Prevention	\$39,500
Administrative Supports & Youth Care Worker Trainings	\$354,917



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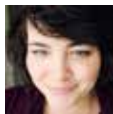


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